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SENATE CHAMBER, IOWA CITY, IOWA,
Monday, December 4th, 1854.

This being the day fixed by the Constitution for the meeting of the General Assembly, and the hour of two o'clock, P. M. having arrived, the Senate was called to order by the Hon. John G. Shields, of Dubuque, and the roll being called by E. Van Metre, assistant Secretary of the Senate at the last session, it appeared that the following members were present, to wit:

From the county of Lee—J. M. LOVE and W. A. THURSTON.

From the county of Des Moines—M. D. BROWNING and W. F. COOLBAUGH.

From the county of Van Buren—GEO. SCHRAM and A. H. MCCRARY.

From the county of Henry—ALFRED SANDERS.

From the county of Jefferson—WM. G. COOP and JOHN PARKE.

From the county of Wapello—J. C. RAMSEY.

From the counties of Wapello, Monroe, Lucas and Clark—D. ANDERSON.

From the county of Davis—SAMUEL G. MCACHRAN.

From the counties of Davis, Appanoose, Wayne and Decatur—DR. NATHAN UDELL.

From the county of Pottawattamie—J. D. TEST.

From the counties of Fremont, Page, Taylor, Mills, Montgomery, &c.—GEO. W. LUCAS.

From the counties of Louisa and Washington—H. T. CLEAVER.

From the county of Keokuk—JAS. L. HOGIN.

From the county of Mahaska—JOHN R. NEEDHAN.

From the counties of Marion, Madison and Warren—J. D. HILLIS.

From the county of Scott—A. C. FULTON.

From the county of Muscatine—GEORGE W. WILKINSON.

From the counties of Cedar and Clinton—JULIUS I. MATTHEWS.

From the counties of Johnson, Iowa, and Poweshick—SAMUEL WORKMAN.

From the counties of Polk, Jasper, Dallas, Guthrie, Boone and Webster—THEOPHILUS BRYAN.

From the county of Jackson—E. F. CLARK.

From the counties of Jackson and Jones—JOSEPH BIRGE.

From the counties of Linn, Benton and Tama—I. N. PRESTON.

From the counties of Dubuque, Delaware, Buchanan, Blackhawk, Bremer, Butler, Chickasaw, Clayton, Alamakee, Winneshiek, Fayette, &c.—JOHN G SHIELDS, MATURIN L. FISHER and W. W. HAMILTON.

On motion of Mr. Browning,

Samuel G. McAchran was appointed President, *pro tempore.*

On motion by Mr. Preston,

Philip B. Bradly was appointed Secretary, *pro tempore.*

On motion by Mr. Shields,

Thomas Hughes was appointed Assistant Secretary, *pro tempore.*

Mr. Ramsey moved that B. Sercey be appointed Seargent-at-Arms, *pro tempore.*

Mr. Workman nominated Geo. W. Craine, of Lee county, as Sergeant-at-Arms, *pro tem.*

Mr. McCrary nominated George Caruthers, of Davis county, Sergeant-at-Arms *pro tem.*

Mr. Needham nominated James Trimble, of Johnson county, as Segeant-at-Arms, *pro tem.*

On motion by Mr. Browning,

The Senate proceeded to ballot for Sergeant-at-Arms, *pro tem.* Messrs. Preston and Schram being appointed tellers.

The vote being taken and counted, it appeared that B. Searcy received 11 votes, George W. Crane received 8 votes, George Caruthers received 6 votes, and James Trimble received 5 votes.

There being no choice, the Senate proceeded to a second balloting, when B. Searcy received 12 votes, George W. Crane received 7 votes, Geo. Caruthers received 5 votes, and James Trimble received 6 votes.

There still being no choice.

On motion by Mr. Fulton,

The further balloting was suspended.

On motion by Mr. Fulton,

B. Searcy was appointed Sergeant-at-Arms, *pro tempore.*

On motion by Mr. Browning,

Masters J. W. Templin and H. G. Curtis were appointed Messengers, *pro tempore.*

On motion of Mr. Schram,

A. P. Scott was appointed Fireman, *pro tempore.*

On motion, the President nominated, and the Senate unanimously elected,

M. D. Browning, J. G. Shields, J. R. Needham, J. M. Love and Geo. Schram, a committee to examine and report upon the credentials of the memcers elect.

On motion by Mr. Shields,

The Senate adjourned until to-morrow morning, at ten o'clock.

TUESDAY MORNING, DEC. 5, 1854.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Browning, from the committee on credentials, made the following report.

The committee on credentials beg leave to report that they have examined the credentials of the following members elect, and find them correct:

From the county of Lee, W. A. Thurston.

From the county of Des Moines, W. F. Coolbaugh.

From the county of Van Buren, A. H. McCrary.

From the county of Henry, Alfred Sanders.

From the county of Wapello, J. C. Ramsey.

From the counties of Wapello, Monroe, Lucas and Clark, D. Anderson.

From the counties of Davis, Appanoose, Wayne and Decatur, Nathan Udell.

From the county of Pottawattamie, J. D. Test.

From the counties of Louisa and Washington, H. T. Cleaver.

From the county of Keokuk, James L. Hogin.

From the county of Scott, A. C. Fulton.

From the county of Muscatine, George W. Wilkinson.

From the counties of Cedar and Clinton, Julius J. Mathews.

From the counties of Johnson, Iowa, and Poweshiek, Samuel Workman.

From the counties of Polk, Jasper, Dallas, Guthrie, Boone and Webster, Theophilus Bryan.

From the counties of Jackson and Jones, Joseph Birge.

From the counties of Dubuque, Delaware, Buchanan, Blackhawk, Bremer, Butler, Chickasaw, Clayton, Alamake, Winneshiek, Fayette, &c., W.W. Hamilton.

M. D. BROWNING, *Chairman.*

On motion of Mr. Shields,

The report was adopted and the committee discharged.

Thereupon the President pro tempore administered the oath to the following Senators elect:

Messrs. Thurston, Coolbaugh, McCrary, Sanders, Ramsey, Anderson, Udell, Test, Cleaver, Hogin, Fulton, Wilkinson, Mathews, Workman, Bryan, Birge and Hamilton.

On motion by Mr. Workman,

The editors and reporters of papers within this State were admitted to seats within the bar of the Senate.

On motion by Mr. Preston,

The rules of the last session were adopted for the government of the Senate until otherwise ordered.

On motion by Mr. Schram,

Resolved, That the Secretary pro tem. of the Senate, be and he is hereby authorized, to make arrangements with the Post Master at Iowa City, for the payment of postage on letters and papers of the Senate, during the present session of the Legislature.

On motion by Mr. Preston,

Resolved, That the Secretary of State furnish each member of the Senate with a copy of the Code, also with a copy of the laws passed at the last session of the General Assembly, for the use of the Senate.

Mr. Workman moved to adjourn until 2 o'clock P. M.

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Birge, Bryan, Clarke, Coolbaugh, Coop, Fisher, Love, Lucas, Preston, Ramsey, Shields, Thurston, Udell and Workman—14.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Cleaver, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogin, Mathews, McAchran, McCrary, Needham, Park, Sanders, Schram, Test and Wilkinson—16.

So the motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. Coolbaugh,

The Senate proceeded to the election of permanent officers.

Mr. Bryan nominated Maturin L. Fisher, of Clayton county.

Mr. Browning nominated J. R. Nedham, of Mahaska county.

Mr. McCrary moved that the Senate proceed to elect a President by ballot.

Mr. Preston moved to amend the motion by striking out "ballot" and inserting "*viva voce*."

Which amendment was lost.

The question then recurring upon the original motion, it was decid- in the negative.

On motion by Mr. Coolbaugh,

The Senate proceeded to ballot for President of the Senate.

The President appointed Messrs. Coolbaugh and Hamilton as Tellers.

The ballots being taken and counted, it appeared that

M. L. Fisher	received	14 votes.
J. R. Needham	"	15 "
Jo. G. Shields	"	1 "

No one having received a majority of all the votes cast.

Mr. Test moved that the Senate adjourn until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Which was decided in the negative.

The Senate then proceeded to a second ballot for President, which resulted as follows:

M. L. Fisher received	14 votes.
J. R. Nedham "	15 "
J. G. Shields "	1 "

There being no choice, the Senate proceeded to a third ballot, which resulted as follows:

M. L. Fisher received	14 votes.
J. R. Needham "	15 "
J. G. Shields "	1 "

There being no choice,

On motion by Mr. Hillis,

The Senate adjourned until two o'clock P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Mr. Bradley, Secretary pro tem., made the following communication, in accordance with a resolution of the Senate passed at the morning session:

SENATE CHAMBER, IOWA CITY,
December 5, 1854.

The Secretary pro tem. of the Senate, respectfully informs the Senate that in accordance with a resolution passed this morning, he has made arrangements by which the communications of Senators through the mails, will be transmitted free.

P. B. BRADLEY, *Secretary pro tem.*

The Senate then proceeded to a fourth ballot for President, which resulted as follows:

M. L. Fisher received	14 votes.
J. R. Needham "	14 "
S. G. McAchran "	1 vote.
J. G. Shields	1 "

There being no choice, the Senate proceeded to a fifth ballot, which resulted as follows:

M. L. Fisher received		14 votes.
J. R. Needham	"	13 "
S. G. McAchran	"	1 vote.
J. G Shields	"	1 "
I. N. Preston	"	1 "

Messrs. Bryan and McFarland, a committe from the House of Representatives, were introduced, and informed the Senate that the House of Representatives is now organized and ready to proceed to business.

There having been no choice on the fifth ballot, the Senate proceeded to a sixth ballot for President, which resulted as follows:

M. L Fisher received		14 votes.
J. R. Needham	"	14 "
S. G. McAchran	"	1 vote.
J. G. Shields	"	1 "

There being no choice,

On motion by Mr. Fulton,

The further balloting for President was suspended for the day.

On motion by Mr. Ramsey,

The Senate adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 6, 1854.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion by Mr. Test,

The Rev. Mr. Shearer was requested to open the session with prayer; after which,

On motion by Mr. Coolbaugh,

The Senate adjourned until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

Two O'clock, P. M.

Mr. Ramsay moved that the Senate proceed to the election of a President by a "viva voce" vote.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Schram moved a call of the Senate, which was had, and Messrs. Browning, and Workman were found to be absent.

On motion of Mr. Coolbaugh,

Mr. Browning was excused from attending.

On request, Mr. Coolbaugh was excusd from voting upon the election of officers.

Mr. Workman appearing.

On motion by Mr. Shields,

The further call of the Senate was dispensed with.

The Senate then proceeded to a seventh balloting for President of the Senate, as follows:

Those who voted for Mr. Fisher were,

Messrs. Birge, Bryan, Clark, Coop, Love, Lucas, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell and Workman—13.

Those who voted for Mr. Needham were,

Messrs. Anderson, Cleaver, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogin, Mathews, McAchran, McCrary, Park, Saunders, Schram, and Wilkinson—13.

Mr. Fisher voted for Mr. Shields,

Mr. Needham voted for Mr. McAchran.

There being no choice, the Senate proceeded to the eighth ballot for President, as follows:

Those who voted for Mr. Fisher were,

Messrs. Birge, Bryan, Clark, Coop, Love, Lucas, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, and Workman—13.

Those who voted for Mr. Needham were,

Messrs. Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Mathews, McAchran, McCrary, Saunders, and Schram—8.

Those who voted for Mr. Preston were,

Messrs. Anderson, Cleaver, Fulton, Park, and Wilkinson—5.

Mr. Fisher voted for Mr. Shields.

Mr. Needham voted for Mr. McAchran.

There being no choice, the Senate proceeded to a ninth balloting for President, as follows:

Those who voted for Mr. Fisher were,

Messrs. Birge, Bryan, Clark, Coop, Love, Lucas, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, and Workman—13.

Those who voted for Mr. Needham were,

Messrs. Hillis, Hogan, Mathews, McAchran, Saunders, and Schram—6.

Those who voted for Mr. Preston were,

Messrs. Anderson, Cleaver, Fulton, Hamilton, Park, and Wilkinson—6.

Those who voted for Mr. McAchran were, Messrs. McCrary, and Needham—2.

Mr. Fisher voted for Mr. Shields.

There being no choice, Mr. Hillis moved that the Senate adjourn until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

On which question, the yeas and nays being demanded, were called and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Birge, Coolbaugh, Coop, Fisher, Hillis, Hogin, Love, Mathews, McAchran, Preston, Ramsay, Saunders, Shields, Thurston, Udell, and Workman—16.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Bryan, Clark, Cleaver, Fulton, Hamilton, Lucas, McCrary, Needham, Park, Schram, Test, and Wilkinson—13.

So the question was decided in the affirmative, and the Senate adjourned until to-morrow morning, 10 o'clock.

THURSDAY, DEC. 7, 1854.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion by Mr. Test,

The Rev. F. A. Shearer was invited to open the session with prayer.

Mr. Hillis offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to furnish each member of the Senate with twenty copies per week of such news-

papers, published in the State of Iowa, as they may direct, during the present session of the General Assembly.

Mr. Schram offered the following as a substitute:

Resolved, That each Senator be allowed to subscribe for twenty copies of such weekly or tri-weekly newspapers, published within the State of Iowa, as he may desire to take during the present session of the General Assembly; also, that each Senator may subscribe for one copy of each daily now published within this State. One copy of the weekly issue of each paper shall be understood to mean one copy.

Mr. Shields moved to lay the substitute upon the table.

Which was decided in the affirmative.

The question then recurring upon the original resolution,

On motion by Mr. Shields,

The word "five" was inserted after the word "twenty."

Mr. Shields moved further to amend the resolution by striking out the words "per week."

Which was agreed to.

The question was then put upon the adoption of the resolution as amended, and decided in the affirmative.

On motion by Mr. Test,

Resolved, That the Rev. F. A. Shearer be invited to act as Chaplain to the Senate during the present session.

Mr. Hamilton offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Senate proceed with the permament business of the session under its present organization.

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

On this question the yeas and nays were demanded, and being ordered, were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Birge, Bryan, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Fisher, Love, Lucas, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell and Workman—15.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Cleaver, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Mathews, McAchran, McCrary, Needham, Park, Saunders, Schram and Wilkinson—15.

So the question was decided in the negative.

The question then recurring upon the adoption of the resolution,

On this question the yeas and nays were demanded, and being ordered, were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Cleaver, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Mathews, McAchran, McCreary, Park, Saunders, Schram and Wilkinson—14.

NAYS.—Messrs. Birge, Bryan, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Fisher, Love, Lucas, Needham, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell and Workman—16.

So the question was decided in the negative.

Mr. McCrary offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That there be a committee of five appointed by the President *pro tem.*, to report permanent officers for the organization of the Senate.

Which was disagreed to.

On motion by Mr. Lucas,

The Senate proceeded to ballot for the election of President of the Senate, Messrs. Coolbaugh and Hamilton acting as tellers.

Mr. Lucas moved to reconsider the vote just taken, to ballot for President.

Which motion was lost.

The ballots being taken and counted, it appeared that

Mr. Fisher received	14 votes.
" Needham "	5 "
" Preston "	5 "
" McAchran "	4 "
" Shields "	1 vote.
" Mathews "	1 "

There being no choice, the Senate proceeded to the eleventh ballot for President, which resulted as follows:

Mr. Fisher received	14 votes.
" Preston "	7 "
" McAchran "	5 "
" Needham "	2 "
" Shields "	1 vote.
" Browning "	1 "

There being no choice,

Mr. Birge moved that the Senate adjourn until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

On which question the yeas and nays were demanded, and being ordered, were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Birge, Bryan, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Fisher, Love, Lucas, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell and Workman—15.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Cleaver, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Mathews, McAchran, McCrary, Needham, Park, Saunders, Schram and Wilkinson—15.

So the motion was lost.

Mr. Test moved that the further balloting for President be suspended.

Which motion was lost.

The Senate then proceeded to a twelfth balloting for President, which resulted as follows:

Mr. Fisher received		14 votes.
" Preston	"	7 "
" Needham	"	3 "
" McAchran	"	3 "
" Shields	"	1 vote.
" Saunders	"	1 "
" Hillis	"	1 "

There being no choice, the Senate proceeded to a thirteenth balloting for President, as follows:

Mr. Fisher received		14 votes.
" Preston	"	8 "
" Needham	"	2 "
" Hillis	"	2 "
" Shields	"	1 vote.
" Anderson	"	1 "
" Saunders,	"	1 "

There being no choice, the Senate proceeded to a fourteenth ballot, which resulted as follows:

Mr. Fisher received		15 votes.
" McAchran	"	6 "
" Needham	"	4 "
" Coolbaugh	"	2 "
" Shields	"	1 "
" Hogan	"	1 "
" Preston	"	1 "

There being no choice, the Senate proceeded to a fifteenth ballot, as follows :

Mr. Fisher received	14	votes.
" McAchran "	8	"
" Needham "	3	"
" Shields "	1	"
" Browning "	1	"
" Clark "	1	"
" Fulton "	1	"
Scattering,	1	"

There still being no choice, the Senate proceeded to a sixteenth ballot, which resulted as follows :

Mr. Fisher received	16	votes.
" McAchran "	8	"
" Needham "	4	"
" Shields "	1	"
" Browning "	1	"

Mr. Fisher having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared duly elected President of the Senate.

Messrs. Shields and Schram were appointed a committee to conduct the President elect to the Chair, after which the President addressed the Senate as follows :

SENATORS :—I thank you for the honor you have conferred upon me, by selecting me to preside over your deliberations. I am sensible of my incompetence to discharge, in a suitable manner, the duties of the post to which you have called me. I am encouraged, however, to accept it, by the hope, that the friendly disposition which you have already manifested toward me, will be continued, and by the decorum and dignity, which have always characterized the proceedings of the Senate. I shall endeavor to merit your approbation, by striving to administer with fidelty and impartiality the duties of the chair. I invoke your assistance in the difficulties before me. I implore your indulgence for my errors.

We are about to engage in the work of perfecting the institutions, and establishing the laws of a State, yet in the novitiate of its existence. I participate deeply, a feeling which I know inspires each one of you, of the responsibility, which we owe to posterity, for the execution of this trust confided to us by our constituents. In the years of time, we occupy but a narrow space ; let us seize the fleeting mo-

ments, to commend ourselves to to the respect and gratitude of this great people, who shall hereafter inhabit this fair land, embraced between two of the mightiest rivers of the globe, by the wisdom and benevolence of our polity, and by the justice and humanity of our legislation.

On motion by Mr. Preston,

The Senate proceeded to the election of Chief Secretary by a "*viva voce*" vote.

Mr. Thurston nominated P. B. Rankin, of Lee county.

Mr. Saunders nominated Stewart Goodrell, of Washington county.

The roll being called, those who voted for Mr. Rankin, were,

Messrs. Birge, Bryan, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Fisher, Love, Lucas, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, and Workman—15.

Those who voted for Mr. Goodrell were,

Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Cleaver, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Mathews, McAchran, McCrary, Needham, Park, Saunders, Schram and Wilkinson—15,

There being no choice.

On motion by Mr. Test,

The Senate adjourned until two o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Mr. McAchran moved a call of the Senate, which was had, and Messrs. Browning and Coolbaugh were found to be absent.

The absentees appearing,

On motion by Mr Lucas,

The further proceeding under the call was dispensed with.

The Senate then proceeded to a second vote for Secretary, and the roll being called, those who voted for Mr. Rankin were,

Messrs. Birge, Bryan, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Love, Lucas, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—15.

Those who voted for Mr. Goodrell, were,

Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Cleaver, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Mathews, McAckran, McCrary, Needham, Park, Saunders, Schram and Wilkinson—15.

There being no choice,

Mr. Hamilton, on leave, introduced the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Senate now proceed to the discharge of its permanent business, under its present organization.

On this question, the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Cleaver, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Matthews, McAchran, McCrary, Needham, Park, Saunders, Schram, and Wilkinson—15.

NAYS.—Messrs. Birge, Bryan, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Love, Lucas, Preston, Ramsey, Shields. Test, Thurston, Udell, Workmen and Mr. President—15.

So the resolution was not adpoted.

Mr. Hamilton moved that the Senate proceed to elect a Secretary by ballot.

Which was disagreed to.

The roll being called for a third vote for Secretary,

Those who voted for Mr. Rankin were Messrs. Birge, Bryan, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Love, Lucas, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—15.

Those who voted for Mr. Goodrell were Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Cleaver, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Matthews, McAchran, McCrary, Needham, Park, Sanders, Schram and Wilkinson—15.

There being no choice, the roll was called for a fourth vote for Secretary.

Those who voted for Mr. Rankin were Messrs. Birge, Bryan, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Love, Lucas, Preston, Ramsey, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—15.

Those who voted for Mr. Goodrell were Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Cleaver, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Matthews, McAchran, McCrary, Needham, Parks, Saunders and Schram—14.

Mr. Wilkinson voted for Mr. Bradley.

There being no choice, the roll was called for a fifth vote for Secretary.

Those who voted for Mr. Rankin were Messrs. Birge, Bryan, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Love, Lucas, Preston, Ramsey, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—15.

Those who voted for Mr. Goodrell were Messrs. Anderson, Brow-

ning, Cleaver, Fulton, Hillis, Hogan, Mathews, McAchran, McCrary, Needham, Park, Saunders and Schram—13.

Those who voted for Mr. Bradley were Messrs. Hamilton and Wilkinson—2.

There being no choice the roll was called for a sixth vote for Secretary.

Those who voted for Mr. Rankin were Messrs. Birge, Bryan, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Love, Lucas, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—15.

Those who voted for Mr. Goodrell were Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Cleaver, Hillis, Mathews, McAchran, McCrary, Needham, Saunders and Schram—10.

Those who voted for Mr. Bradley were Messrs. Fulton, Hamilton, Hogan, Park and Wilkinson—5.

There being no choice, the roll was called for a seventh vote for Secretary.

Those who voted for Mr. Rankin, were,

Messrs. Birge, Bryan, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Love, Lucas, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—15.

Those who voted for Mr. Goodrell, were,

Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Cleaver, Hillis, Mathews, McAchran, McCrary, Needham, Saunders and Schram—10.

Those who voted for Mr. Bradley, were,

Messrs. Fulton, Hamilton, Hogan, Park and Wilkinson—5.

There being no choice, the roll was called for the eighth vote for Secretary.

Those who voted for Mr. Rankin, were,

Messrs. Birge, Bryan, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Love, Lucas, Preston, Ramsey, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—15.

Those who voted for Mr. Goodrell, were,

Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Cleaver, Hillis, Matthews, McAchran, McCrary, Needham, Saunders and Schram—10.

Those who voted for Mr. Bradley, were,

Messrs. Fulton, Hamilton, Hogan, Park and Wilkinson—5.

There being no choice, the roll was called for a ninth ballot for Secretary.

Those who voted for Mr. Rankin were,

Messrs. Birge, Bryan, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Love, Lucas, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—15.

Those who voted for Mr. Goodrell were,

Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Cleaver, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Mathews, McAchran, McCrary, Needham, Park, Saunders Schram, and Wilkinson—14.

Those who voted for Mr. Bradley were,

Messrs. Fulton, Hogan and Wilkinson—3.

There being no choice, the roll was called for the eleventh vote for Secretary.

Those who voted for Mr. Rankin were,

Messrs. Birge, Bryan, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Love, Lucas, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—15.

Those who voted for Mr. Goodrell were,

Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Cleaver, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Mathews, McAchran, McCrary, Needham, Park, Saunders, Schram and Wilkinson—14.

Mr. Fulton voted for Mr. Bradley.

There being no choice, the roll was called for a twelfth vote for Secretary.

Those who voted for Mr. Rankin were,

Messrs. Birge, Bryan, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Love, Lucas, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—15.

Those who voted for Mr. Goodrell were,

Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Cleaver, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Mathews, McAchran, McCrary, Needham, Park, Saunders, Schram and Wilkinson—15.

There being no choice,

Mr. Ramsay moved the Senate adjourn until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Birge, Bryan, Clark, Coop, Love, Lucas, Preston, Ramsay, Workman, and Mr. President—10.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Mathews, McAchran, McCrary, Needham, Park, Saunders, Schram, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell and Wilkinson—20.

So the motion was lost.

The roll was then called for a 13th vote for Secretary.

Those who voted for Mr. Rankin were,

Messrs. Birge, Bryan, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Love, Lucas, Preston. Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—15.

Those who voted for Mr. Goodrell were,

Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Cleaver, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Mathews, McAchran, McCrary, Needham, Park, Saunders, Schram and Wilkinson—15.

There being no choice.

Mr Preston moved the Senate adjourn until half past six o'clock this evening.

Which was disagreed to.

The roll was then called for a 14th vote for Secretary.

Those who voted for Mr. Rankin were,

Messrs. Birge, Bryan, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Love, Lucas, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—15.

Those who voted for Mr. Goodrell were,

Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Cleaver, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Mathews, McAchran, McCrary, Needham, Park, Saunders, Schram and Wilkinson—15.

There being no choice the roll was called for a fifteenth vote for Secretary.

Those who voted for Mr. Rankin were,

Messrs. Birge, Bryan, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Love, Lucas, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—15.

Those who voted for Mr. Goodrell were,

Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Cleaver, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis Hogan, Mathews, McAchran, McCrary, Needham, Park, Saunders Schram and Wilkinson—15.

There being no choice, the roll was called, for a sixteenth vote for Secretary.

Those who voted for Mr. Rankin were,

Messrs. Birge, Bryan, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Love, Lucas, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—15.

Those who voted for Mr. Goodrell were,

Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Cleaver, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Mathews, McAchran, McCrary, Needham, Park, Saunders, Schram and Wilkinson—15.

There being no choice,

Mr. Cleaver moved that the vote for Secretary be suspended, and the Senate proceed to the election of assistant Secretary.

On which motion the yeas and nays were demanded, and being ordered, were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Cleaver, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Mathews, McAchran, McCrary, Needham, Park, Saunders, Schram and Wilkinson—15.

NAYS.—Messrs. Birge, Bryan, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Love, Lucas, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—15.

So the motion was lost.

The roll was then called for a seventeenth vote for Secretary.

Those who voted for Mr Rankin were

Messrs. Birge, Bryan, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Love, Lucas, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—15.

Those who voted for Mr. Goodrell were,

Hogan, Mathews, McAchron, McCrary, Needham, Park. Saunders, Schram and Wilkinson—15.

There being no choice, the roll was called for the eighteenth vote for Secretary.

Those who voted for Mr. Rankin were,

Messrs. Birge, Bryan, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Love, Lucas, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—15.

Those who voted for Mr. Goodrell were,

Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Cleaver, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis,

Hogan, Mathews, McAchran, McCrary, Needham, Park, Saunders, Schram and Wilkinson—15.

There being no choice, the roll was called for a nineteenth vote for Secretary.

Those who voted for Mr. Rankin were,

Messrs. Birge, Bryan, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Love, Lucas, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—15.

Those who voted for Mr. Goodrell were,

Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Cleaver, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Mathews, McAchran, McCrarey, Needham, Park, Saunders, Schram and Wilkinson—15.

There being no choice, the roll was called for a twentieth vote for Secretary.

Those who voted for Mr. Rankin were,

Messrs. Birge, Bryan, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Love, Lucas, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—15.

Those who voted for Mr. Goodrell were,

Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Cleaver, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Mathews, McAchran, McCrary, Needham, Park, Saunders, Schram and Wilkinson—15.

There being no choice,

On motion of Mr. Anderson,

The Senate adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

FRIDAY MORNING, DEC. 8th, 1854.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. F. A. Shearer.

On motion by Mr. Browning,

The further reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

There having been no choice yesterday, the Senate proceeded to the twenty-first vote for Secretary.

The roll being called, those who voted for Mr. Rankin were

Messrs. Birge, Bryan, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Fulton, Love, Lucas, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—16.

Those who voted for Mr. Goodrell were,

Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Cleaver, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogin, Matthews, McAchran, McCrarey, Nedham, Park, Sanders, Schram and Wilkinson—14.

Mr. Rankin having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected Secretary of the Senate.

The Senate then proceeded to elect an assistant Secretary.

Mr. Shields nominated P. B. Bradley, of Jackson county.

Mr. Matthews nominated S. B. Carpenter, of Linn county.

The vote being taken was as follows:

For P. B. Bradley,

Messrs. Birge, Bryan, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Love, Lucas, Preston, Ramsey, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and M. President—15.

Those who voted for Mr. Carpenter were,

Anderson, Browning, Cleaver, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogin Mathews, McAchran, McCrary, Needham, Park, Saunders, Schram and Wilkinson—15.

There being no choice, the Senate proceeded to vote a second time for assistant Secretary.

Those voting for Mr. Mr. Bradley were,

Messrs. Birge, Bryan, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Fulton, Love, Lucas, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—16.

Those who voted for Mr. Carpenter were,

Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Cleaver, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Matthews, McAchran, McCrary, Needham, Park, Saunders, Schram, and Wilkinson—14.

Mr. Bradley having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected assistant Secretary.

On motion by Mr. Lucas,

The Senate proceeded to elect a Sergeant-at-arms.

Mr. Preston nominated C. Weare, of Linn county.

Mr. Schram nominated J. Trimble, of Johnson county.

The vote being taken was as follows:

For C. Wear,

Messrs. Birge, Bryan, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Love, Lucas, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—15.

For Mr. Trimble,

Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Cleaver, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogin, Mathews, McAchran, McCreary, Needham, Park, Saunders, Schram and Wilkinson—15.

There being no choice, the Senate proceeded to vote a second time.

For Mr. Wear the following gentlemen voted:

Messrs. Birge, Bryan, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Fulton, Love, Lucas, Preston, Ramsey, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—16.

For Mr. Trimble,

Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Cleaver, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogin, Mathews, McAchran, McCrary, Park, Saunders, Schram and Wilkinson—14.

Mr. Weare having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected.

On motion of Mr. Workman,

The Senate proceeded to the election of Messenger.

Mr. Workman nominated E. Sangster, of Johnson county.

Mr. Hillis nominated H. G. Curtis, of Marion county.

On a call of the roll, the following gentlemen voted for Mr. Sangster:

Messrs. Birge, Bryan, Clark, Coolbough, Coop, Love, Lucas, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr President—15.

For Mr. Curtis,

Messrs, Anderson, Browning, Cleaver, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogin, Mathews, McAchran, McCrary, Needham, Park, Saunders, Schram and Wilkinson—15.

There being no choice, the Senate proceeded to a second vote, which resulted as follows:

For Mr. Sangster,

Messrs. Birge, Browning, Bryan, Clark, Coolbough, Coop, Hamilton, Hillis, Love, Lucas, Mathews, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—19.

For Mr. Templin,

Messrs. Anderson, Cleaver, Hogin, McAchran, McCrary, Needham, Park, Saunders, Schram and Wilkinson—10.

Mr. Fulton voted for Mr. Curtis.

Mr. Sangster having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared elected.

On motion of Mr. Browning,

Mr. Curtis was elected Assistant Messenger.

On motion of Mr. Browning,

J. W. Templin was elected Paper Folder.

On motion of Mr. Workman,

The Senate proceeded to the election of a Fireman.

Mr. Workman nominated F. Thompson, of Johnson county.

Mr. Cleaver nominated A. P. Scott, of Johnson county.

The roll being called, the following gentlemen voted for Mr. Thompson:

Messrs. Birge, Browning, Bryan, Clark, Coolbauge, Coop, Fulton, Hillis, Love, Lucas, Mathews, Needham, Park, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—21.

For Mr. Scott,

Messrs. Anderson, Cleaver, Hamilton, Hogin, McAchran, McCrary, Saunders, Schram and Wilkinson—9.

Mr. Thompson having received a majority of all the votes, was declared duly elected.

On motion of Mr. Preston,

The Senate proceeded to elect an Enrolling Clerk.

Mr. Preston nominated D. M. Macintosh, of Linn county.

On motion of Mr. Fulton,

Mr. Macintosh was declared duly elected.

The officers elect then came forward and took the usual oath.

Mr. Shields offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That a committee of two be appointed to wait upon the House of Representatives, and inform that body that the Senate is now organized and ready to proceed to business.

Messrs. Shields and Needham were appointed said committee, who, after a short time, reported that they had performed the duty assigned them.

The committee were discharged.

Mr. Coolbaugh moved that a committee of two be appointed to act with a similar committee, to be appointed by the House, to wait upon his Excellency the Governor, and ask him if he had any communications to make to the General Assembly.

The motion was carried.

Messrs. Coolbaugh and McCrary were appointed said committee, who, after a short time, reported that they had discharged the duty assigned them, and had received his biennial message, with accompanying documents.

Mr. Test offered the following resolution, which was adopted.

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate, be instructed to furnish each member of the Senate with one copy of Jefferson's Manual, and one paper folder.

The following message was received from the House.

Mr. President:—The House of Representatives have appointed Messrs. Bonson, Williams, and Edie, a committee, to act in conjunction with a similar committee from the Senate, to wait upon his Excelency the Governor, and enquire if he has any communication to the General Assembly.

Mr. Preston offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, (the House concurring,) That the Senate will meet the House in the Hall of the House of Representatives, on Saturday, December 9th, at 10 o'clock, A. M., for the purpose of canvassing the votes for Governor.

On motion of Mr. Love,

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

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

The following message of the Governor was read to the Senate:*

Mr. Love moved that the reading of the documents accompanying the message of the Governor, be dispensed with, and that they be referred to a committee of three, for the purpose of ascertaining and reporting the number necessary to be printed for the use of the Senate. Carried.

Messrs. Love, Mathews, and Udell, were appointed said committee.

Mr. Shields moved that 2500 copies of the message be printed for the use of the Senate.

Mr. Thurston moved to amend, by adding that 500 copies be printed in the German language.

The amendment was accepted.

Mr. Preston moved to amend, by inserting 5,000 in place of 2,500.

Mr. McCrary moved to lay resolution and amendments upon the table until after the inauguration of the Governor elect.

Carried.

On motion of Mr. Love,

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

SATURDAY MORNING, DEC. 9, 1854.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Grinnell.

The following communication was read by the Secretary.

To the Secretary of the Senate:

DEAR SIR:—Your note of yesterday, containing the resolution of the Senate, inviting me to act as Chaplain during the present session, is at hand; please tender the Senate my thanks for this favor, with

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the assurance that it will afford me much pleasure to meet with the members every morning, and officiate in the capacity designated.

Yours affectionately,

F. A. SHEARER.

Mr. Love offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the President of the Senate, appoint the usual standing committees. Also, a committee on public lands, and a committee on charitable institutions.

Mr. Lucas offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

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. Thurston presented the report of the Superintendent of the Penitentiary, and on his motion, the same was laid on the table, and one hundred copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Senate.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Nourse, chief clerk:

MR. PRESIDENT:—I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has concurred in the Joint Resolution of the Senate, "to meet the House in the Hall of Representatives, on Saturday, December 9th, at 10 o'clock, A. M., for the purpose of canvassing the votes cast for Governor."

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk House Reps.*

The Senate, preceded by their President, Secretaries and Sergeant-at-Arms, then repaired to the Hall of the House of Representatives, for the purpose, in conjunction with the House of Representatives of opening and publishing the votes given for Governor at the last general election.

The two branches of the Legislative Assembly, having met in the Hall of the House, a call of the members was had, when it appeared that all the members of both Houses were present and answered to their names, except E. McCullough, of the Senate, and Mr. Tutt, of the House of Representatives, who were excused from attending by the Joint Convention.

The President announced the purpose of the Convention.

The Speaker of the House of Represenatives, proceeded to open and publish the official abstracts of votes for Governor in presence of the two Houses, when the same were duly canvassed.

Mr. Shields, on the part of the Senate, and Mr. Lockwood, on the part of the House, acting as tellers.

The following is the result:

James W. Grimes	received	23,312	votes.
Curtis Bates	"	21,192	"
James L. Thompson	".	4	"
William Staltz	"	3	"
Thomas A. Graham	"	2	"
Robert Robinson	"	1	"

Whereupon James W. Grimes was declared duly elected Governor of the State of Iowa.

On motion of Mr. McAchran,

The Joint Convention adjourned until two o'clock, P. M.

Two O'Clock, P. M.

Joint Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

The President appointed Messrs. Preston and Williams a committee, to inform the Governor elect, that the two Houses were ready to receive him in joint session, in order that he might take the oath prescribed by the Constitution, which duty having been performed by the committee, the Governor elect, accompanied by the Governor, the Judges of the Supreme Court, and officers of State, entered the Hall of the House, and having been duly announced, and taken the places assigned them, the oath of office was then administered in due form to the Governor elect, by the presiding officer of the Joint Convention, after which, the Governor delivered the following inaugural address.*

Thereupon, Messrs. Preston and Lockwood, the committee of the Convention, attended the Governor and Ex-Governor from the Hall of the House.

The purposes for which the Convention assembled, having been

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accomplished, the Senate retired from the Hall of the House to the Senate Chamber in the same order in which they had left it.

On motion of Mr. Shields,

The Senate adjourned until Monday morning, 10 o'clock, A. M.

MONDAY MORNING, DEC. 11th, 1854.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. F. A. Shearer.

The President announced the standing committees for the session, as follows:

Ways and Means.—Messrs. Shields, Hillis, Preston, Coolbaugh and Saunders,

Judiciary.—Messrs. Love, Browning, Preston, Hamilton and Test.

Federal Relations.—Messrs. Udell, McAchran, Coop, Wilkinson and Love.

Internal Improvements.—Messrs. Coolbaugh, Park, Thurston, Mathews and Shields.

Military Affairs.—Messrs. Ramsay, Needham, Birge, Fulton and Cleaver.

Schools.—Messrs. Preston, Browning, Clark, Anderson and Udell.

Roads—Messrs. Lucas, Park, McCullough, Fulton and Hogin.

Elections.—Messrs. Test, Needham, Udell, Saunders and Ramsay.

Enrolled Bills.—Messrs. Mathews and Thurston.

Engrossed Bills.—Messrs. Schram and Workman.

Agriculture.—Messrs. Coop, McCrary, Bryan, Hillis and McCullough.

County Boundaries,—Messrs. Thurston, Hogin, Bryan, Wilkinson and Mathews.

Incorporations.—Messrs. Birge, Saunders, Clark, Anderson and McCullough.

New Counties.—Messrs. Workman, Fulton, Lucas, Schram and Cleaver.

Claims,—Messrs. McAchran, Shields, Schram, Birge and Ramsay.

Public Buildings.—Messrs. Needham, Thurston, Cleaver, Coolbaugh and Test.

Public Lands.—Messrs. Hamilton, Lucas, Park, Coop and Workman.

Charitable Institutions.—Messrs. Browning, Love, Bryan, McCrary and Hamilton.

State Library.—Messrs. Clark, McAchran, Love, Hogin and McCrary.

Mr. Bryan offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That James Jordan, Esq., of Polk county, who claims a seat in the Senate of Iowa, from the district composed of the counties of Jasper, Polk, Dallas, Guthrie, &c., by contest, be invited to a seat within the bar of the Senate.

Mr. Thurston presented the credentials of Mr. McCulloch, of Lee county, which were received by the Senate, and

Mr. McCulloch, after taking the usual oath, took his seat as a member of this body.

Mr. Needham presented the petition of Robert M. Wilson and twenty-three others, asking the location of a State road from Oskaloosa to the State line, in the direction of St. Joseph, Mo., which, on his motion, was laid upon the table.

Mr. Preston offered the petition of E. D. Waln and one hundred and ninety-nine others, upon the subject of traffic in ardent spirits, which, upon his motion, was laid upon the table.

Mr. Schram offered the following:

Resolved, That the fireman of the Senate be authorized to employ an assistant fireman for the committee rooms.

Mr. Love moved to amend by inserting *Sec'y* in place of *fireman*, on which question the yeas and nays were called, with the following result:

YEAS.—Messrs. Bryan, Clark, Coop, Love, McCullock, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—11.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Browning, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Lucas, Mathews, McAchran McCrary, Needham, Park, Preston, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram and Wilkinson—20.

So the amendment was lost.

The original resolution was then adopted.

Mr. Workman offered the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate furnish a case with

proper apartments attached, for the distribution and safety of the mail matter of the Senate. Adopted.

Mr. Fulton gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a joint resolution, asking the general government to furnish immediate aid by an appropriation of funds to continue the work now progressing in the Mississippi river, on the Rock Island and Des Moines Rapids.

Mr. Saunders offered the folllowing:

Resolved, The House of Representatives concurring, that the Senate will meet the House of Representatives in their Hall on Thursday next, (the 14th inst.) at 2 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of electing a Senator of the United States, and Judges of the Supreme Court.

Mr. Love moved to lay the resolution on the table. Upon this question, the yeas and nays were called and were as follows:

YEAS.—Senators Birge, Bryan, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Love, Preston, Ramsay, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—14.

NAYS.—Anderson, Browning, Cleaver, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Lucas, Mathews, McAchran, McCullock, McCrary, Park Saunders, Schram, Shields and Wilkinson—17.

The motion to lay on the table was lost.

The question then recurred to the original resolution, when the yeas and nays were called, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Senators Anderson, Browning, Cleaver, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Mathews, McAchron, McCrary, Needham, Park, Saunders, Schram and Wilkinson—15.

NAYS.—Senators Birge, Bryan, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Love, Lucas, McCullock, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—16.

The resolution was lost.

Mr. Lucas gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill for the removal of the seat of Government of the State of Iowa from Iowa City, in Johnson county to Fort Des Moines, in Polk county.

Mr. Needham gave notice that he would, on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, ask leave to introduce a joint resolution asking Congress for additional mail facilities.

Mr. Hamilton gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he would ask leave to introduce the following bills:

For an act respecting walls in common,

And for an act to provide for a separate record for town lots from that of other real estate.

Mr. Coolbaugh gave notice that he would on to-morrow, or some future day, ask leave to introduce a memorial to Congress, asking a repeal of all duties on sugar.

Mr. Thurston gave notice that he would on to-morrow, or some future day, ask leave to introduce a memorial to Congress for a grant of land in aid of the construction of the Fort Madison and Bloomfield railroad.

Mr. Fulton gave notice that he would on to-morrow, or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill to repeal sections four, five and six, of an act to regulate the interest on money, approved January the 20th, 1853.

Mr. Love, from the select committee to which was referred the consideration of the publication of the documents accompanying the Governor's message, reported the following:

Resolved, That one thousand copies of documents No. 1, 2 and 4, and of documents A, B, C and D, and also five hundred copies of documents 3, 5 and 6, accompanying the Governor's message, be printed for the use of the Senate,

Which resolution was adopted.

On motion of Mr. McAchran,

The depositions and papers in the contested election between Mr. James Jordan and Mr. Theophilus Bryan, were taken from the table and referred to the committee on elections.

On motion of Mr. Shields,

The resolution and amendments with regard to the publication of the Governor's message, were taken up for consideration.

Mr. Needham offered the following as a substitute for the original resolution:

Resolved, That 5000 copies of the Governor's message, and 5000 copies of the Governor's inaugural, be printed for the use of the General Assembly,

Which substitute, on the vote being taken, was lost.

The question then recurring on the amendment offered by Mr. Preston, "to print, stitch and fold 5000 copies in English and 500 copies in the German language," was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. Hamilton offered the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That 5000 copies of the inaugural address of the Governor elect be printed, folded and stitched, for the use of the Senate, and also 500 copies in the German language.

Mr. Preston offered the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the State printer be authorized to employ a suitable person to translate the Governor's message, also the Governor's inaugural address, at an expense not exceeding fifty dollars for each.

On motion of Mr. Shields,

The message of the Governor was taken from the table.

On motion of Mr. Preston,

The Senate resolved itself into committee of the whole for the consideration of the message of the Governor.

Mr. Shields in the chair.

After a short time the committee rose, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again.

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until two o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK P. M.

Mr. Workman offered the following:

Resolved, By the Senate, (the House concurring,) that the Senate will meet the House in joint convention on the 16th day of January, 1855, at three o'clock P. M., for the purpose of electing a Senator of the United States, and three Supreme Judges of the State of Iowa.

Mr. Love moved that the further consideration of the resolution be postponed until the 16th day of January next, at ten o'clock A. M.,

And on this question the yeas and nays were demanded, called, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Senators Birge, Bryan, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Love, Lucas, McCullough, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—16.

NAYS.—Senators Anderson, Browning, Cleaver, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogin, Matthews, McAchran, McCrary, Needham, Park, Saunders, Schram and Wilkinson—15.

The motion to postpone was sustained.

Message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Nourse, Chief Clerk.

MR. PRESIDENT—I am directed to inform the Senate that the resolution passed by the Senate to invite W. E. Ijams, Professor of the Deaf and Dumb Asylum, 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, has been concurred in by the House of Representatives, with the amendment, to wit: strike out the words "Monday, 11th inst.," and insert "Tuesday, the 12th inst.," in which amendment the House asks the concurrence of the Senate.

CHA'S C. NOURSE, *Clerk H.R.*

Monday, Dec. 11th, 1854.

On motion of Mr. Lucas,

The Senate concurred in the amendment made by the House to the Senate resolution of invitation to Mr Ijams and his pupils.

On motion of Mr. Coop,

It was ordered that the usual number of copies of the standing committees of the Senate be printed for the use of the Senate.

Mr. Love, leave being granted, introduced Senate File No. 1, a bill for an act for the relief of the heirs of George Cornwall, late of Lee county, deceased.

Which was read the first and second times, and on his motion referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Workman moved that the Senate adjourn until to-morrow morning 10 o'clock. Lost.

On motion of Mr. Fulton,

A committee of five were appointed to draft and report rules for the government of the Senate.

The President appointed Senators Fulton, Shields, Needham, Preston and Workman said committee.

Mr. Udell gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some subsequent day, ask leave to introduce a memorial to Congress, asking for increased mail facilities.

Mr. Bryan gave notice that he would, on to-morrow or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill for an act to regulate grist mills and millers in this State.

Mr. Fulton, from the committee appointed to prepare rules for the

government of the Senate, reported that the committee had had the subject under consideration, and recommended the adoption of the rules of the last session, which report was adopted by the Senate, and one hundred copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Hamilton,

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

TUESDAY MORNING, DEC. 12th, 1854.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. F. A. Shearer.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Nourse, chief Clerk.

MR. PRESIDENT—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has adopted the following resolution:

Be it Resolved, By the House of Representatives of the State of Iowa, that a committee of three on the part of the House, be appointed to act with a committee on the part of the Senate, to adopt rules for the government of the General Assembly.

Messrs. Russell, Prichard and Neal, have been appointed said committee on the part of the House, the House asks the concurrence of the Senate.

CHA'S C. NOURSE, *Clerk House Rep.*

Mr. Love presented the petition of John Brown, asking remuneration for services as commissioner in locating the seat of government of this State,

Which was read, and on his motion referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Cleaver presented the petition of M. A. Matthews and 45 others, on the subject of the liquor traffic, which, on his motion, was laid on the table.

Mr. Thurston offered the following, which was adopted:

That the Secretary be instructed to address a note to Major Floyd, the commissioner who has charge of the public works upon the Rock river and the Des Moines river rapids in the Mississippi river, asking him for such information as he is in possession of, as to what amount

of labor has been performed, the result produced, and of the practicability of the present mode of operation, or plan for improving the rapids, and any other information which he may be pleased to communicate to this body in relation to said improvement.

Mr. Needham gave notice that he would on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, ask leave to introduce a bill for an act submitting to the people of Iowa the question of voting for or against a convention to amend the constitution of the State.

Mr. Matthews gave notice that he would on to-morrow, or some future day, introduce a memorial and joint resolution, asking for a grant of land from the general government, to aid in constructing a Railroad from the town of Lyons, on the Mississippi river, to Council Bluffs, on the Missouri river.

Mr. Udell gave notice that he would on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, ask leave to introduce a bill for an act authorizing the transcribing of certain records of Appanoose county.

Mr. Fulton gave notice that he would on to-morrow, or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill for an act to amend the several acts in relation to a State Printer, approved January 24th, A. D. 1853.

Mr. Thurston gave notice that on to-morrow, or some future day, he would introduce a bill for an act for the more equal assessment of lands, and to assess the same independent of their improvements.

Mr. Test gave notice that he would on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, ask leave to introduce a bill for an act to amend an act, entitled an act to incorporate the city of Council Bluffs.

Mr. Schram gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he would ask leave to introduce a joint resolution, asking Congress for additional mail facilities.

The Senate concurred in the resolution of the House for the appointment of a joint committee to prepare rules for the government of the General Assembly.

The Presidenta ppointed Senators Shields, Needham and Preston, the committee on the part of the Senate.

Mr. Needham, in pursuance of notice, introduced Senate File No. 2, joint resolution, asking Congress for additional mail facilities, which was read the first and second times,

And on motion of Mr. Preston, was referred to the committee on federal relations.

Mr. Udell, in pursuance of previous notice, introduced Senate File

No. 3, joint resolution, asking Congress for additional mail facilities.

Which was read the first and second times,

And on his motion, referred to the committee on federal relations.

Mr. Fulton, in pursuance of previous notice, introduced Senate File No. 4, joint resolution, asking aid of Congress for an appropriation to improve the Rock Island and Des Moines Rapids of the Mississippi river,

Which was read the first and second times,

And on motion of Mr. Shields, referred to the committee on federal relations.

Mr. Bryan gave notice that he would on to-morrow, or some future day, ask leave to introduce a joint resolution, asking Congress for additional mail facilities.

On motion of Mr. Udell,

The occupancy of the Senate chamber was tendered to Professor Ijams and his pupils for this evening.

Mr. Fulton, in pursuance of notice, introduced

Senate File, No. 5, a bill for an act to repeal certain sections of an act to regulate the interest on money.

Which was read the first and second times, and

On motion of Mr. Coolbaugh,

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Matthews gave notice that he would on to-morrow, or some future day, introduce a memorial and joint resolution, asking Congress for additional mail facilities.

Mr. Saunders gave notice that he would on to-morrow, or some future day, introduce a joint memorial to Congress, asking for increased mail facilities in the State of Iowa.

Mr. Preston, on leave, gave notice that on to-morrow, or some future day, he would ask leave to introduce a bill for an act to prohibit the circulation of bank notes within this State.

Mr. Preston, leave being granted, offered the following:

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate, be directed to furnish each member of the Senate with a gold pen, at a cost not exceeding two dollars and fifty cents each; also, one for the Secretary, Assistant Secretary, and Enrolling Clerk.

Which, on motion of Mr. McAchran,

Was laid on the table.

Mr. Bryan, on leave, gave notice, that he would on to-morrow, or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill for an act to provide for the election of county Assessors, in the several counties in this State, and to repeal all laws which authorize the election of township Assessors within the several counties of this State.

On motion of Mr. Clark,

The Senate resumed its session in committee of the whole, for the consideration of the Governor's Message.

Mr. Shields, in the chair, and after some time spent therein, rose and reported a reference of the message to committees, as follows:

That part referring to the penitentiary, to the committee on public buildings.

That part referring to the Des Moines River Improvement, to the committee on internal improvements.

That part referring to the claims of the soldiers of the war of 1812, to the committee on military affairs.

That part referring to memorializing Congress on the subject of railroads, to the committee on federal relations.

That part referring to roads, to the committee on roads.

That part referring to the saline lands, to the committee on public lands.

That part referring to the establishment of a lunatic asylum, to the committee on charitable institutions.

That part referring to the appointment of commissioners of emigration, to the committee on federal relations.

That part referring to the organization of the militia, to the committee on military affairs.

That part referring to the interest on money, to the committee on the judiciary.

That part referring to the sale of intoxicating liquors, to the committee on internal improvement.

That part referring to the claims of Hon. Reverdy Johnson, and Chancellor Walworth, to the committee on claims.

That part referring to Schools and State University, to the committee on schools.

The report, on motion, was concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Preston,

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

WEDNESDAY MORNING, December 13th, 1854.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by Rev. F. A. Shearer.

On motion of Mr. Hamilton,

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate provide each Senator, and each Clerk of the Senate with a suitable pen or pens.

Mr. Test gave notice, that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he would offer a memorial and joint resolution, asking the removal and location of the Omaha Indians to some point not adjoining the State of Iowa.

Mr. Saunders presented a memorial from the society of Friends, on the subject of the liquor traffic,

Which, on his motion, was laid on the table.

Mr. Shields gave notice that on to-morrow, or some day thereafter, he would introduce a bill to protect the people of Iowa against the circulation of paper money of other States.

And also, a bill regulating the sale of ardent spirits.

Mr. Udell gave notice that he would on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, ask leave to introduce a bill to amend section 1471, of chapter 85, of the Code, regulating the issuing of marriage license.

Mr. Thurston gave notice that on to-morrow, or some future day, he would introduce a memorial to Congress for a donation of public lands to actual settlers, for homesteads.

Mr. Matthews, in pursuance of notice, introduced

Senate File, No. 6, memorial and joint resolution for a grant of land to aid in constructing a rail road from Lyons, on the Mississippi river, to Council Bluffs, on the Missouri river.

Which was read the first and second times, and, on his motion, referred to the committee on federal relations.

Mr. Thurston gave notice that on to-morrow, or some future day, he would introduce a memorial to Congress, asking that mail service may be put upon route number ——, from Fort Madison, via Franklin, Primrose, to Farmington. Also, on route number ——, from Fort Madison, via West Point, Dover, Big Mound, Gainsborough, Utica, to Keosauqua.

Mr. Schram, in pursuance of notice, introduced

Senate File, No. 7, joint resolution, asking Congress for additional mail facilities.

Which was read the first and second times, and on his motion, referred to committee on federal relations.

Mr. Preston in pursuance of notice, introduced

Senate File, No. 8, a bill for an act to prohibit the circulation of bank bills or notes, of a less denomination than ten dollars,

Which was read a first and second times, and, on his motion,

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Hamilton in pursuance of notice, introduced

Senate File, No. 9, a bill for an act concerning walls in common, which was read a first and second times, and on motion,

Laid on the table, and the usual number of copies ordered to be printed for the use of the General Assembly.

Mr. Udell in pursuance of notice, introduced Senate File No. 10, a bill for an act authorizing the county Judge of Appanoose county to transcribe and index certain records,

Which was read the first and second times,

And on his motion, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time to-morrow.

Mr. Saunders gave notice that on to-morrow, or some future day, he would ask leave to introduce a bill, to amend an act, entitled an act for the incorporation of the town of Mount Pleasant, in Henry county.

The President laid before the Senate, a communication from his Excellency, the Governor, with accompanying documents,

Which were read by the Secretary.

On motion of Mr. Love,

Resolved, That so much of the Governor's message and the accompanying documents as relates to the selection of the school lands, be referred to the commitee on public lands,

And that so much of the message and accompanying documents as relates to the subject of weights and measures, be referred to the committee on public buildings,

And that so much of the message and accompanying documents as refers to the subject of oceanic postage, be referred to the committee on federal relations.

The President laid before the Senate, the report of the Board of Overseers and Principal of the blind asylum.

On motion of Mr. Browning,

The further reading of the same was suspended, and

On motion of Mr. Love,

500 copies were ordered to be printed for the use of the Senate, and 500 copies for the Board of Overseers and Principal of the institution.

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Fulton, Assistant Clerk.

MR. PRESIDENT.—I am directed to inform the Senate, that the House has passed the following resolution, in which the concurrence of the Senate is desired:

Resolved, (the Senate concurring), That the members of the House of Representatives, will meet the Senate in the Hall of the House in joint convention, on Friday next, the 15th inst., at 2 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of electing a United States Senator and Judges of the Supreme Court.

A. R. FULTON, *Assistant Clerk House Rep.*

The message from the House was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Preston moved to amend the resolution in the message by striking out the words, "on Friday next, the 15th inst., at 2 o'clock P. M.," and inserting, at half past two o'clock, this afternoon.

Upon which question the yeas and nays were demanded and called, with the following result:

Those who voted in the affirmative were,

Senators Anderson, Birge, Browning, Bryan, Clark, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Coop, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Love, Lucas, Matthews, McAchran, McCollough, McCrary, Needham, Park, Preston, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Wilkinson, Workman and Mr. President—31.

The amendment was unanimously adopted.

Mr. Coop gave notice that he would on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, ask leave to introduce a bill for an act to amend an act to

provide for taking up water craft found adrift, lost goods, and estray animals.

Mr. Cleaver gave notice that he would on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, ask leave to introduce a joint resolution, asking of Congress a grant of land to aid in constructing a Railroad from Tool's Landing on the Mississippi, to Council Bluffs on the Missouri river.

Mr. Coop gave notice that on to-morrow, or some future day, he would introduce a bill defining the measurement of stone coal by weight.

Mr. Park, leave being granted, introduced Senate File No. 11, joint resolution, on the subject of digging for salt water,

Which was read the first and second times,

And on motion, referred to the committee on internal improvements.

Mr. Birge gave notice that he would on to-morrow, or some day thereafter, ask leave to introduce a bill for the appointment of a County Commissioner on roads, and define his duties.

Mr. Shields, leave being granted, made the following report:

The committee appointed by the Senate, to meet a similar committee on the part of the House, beg leave to report that they, without amendment, recommend the adoption of the joint rules of the last General Assembly, and ask that one hundred copies be printed for the use of the Senate,

Which was adopted.

The following message was received from the House:

MR. PRESIDENT—I am directed to inform the Senate that the amendment of the Senate to the resolution of the House, to go into joint convention in the Hall of the House, for the purpose of electing a Senator of the United States, and Supreme Judges, fixing the time this day at 2½ o'clock P. M, has been concurred in by the House.

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk House Rep.*

A committee from the House of Representatives, was announced, composed of Messrs. Samuels and McFarland, who informed the Senate that the House were now ready to receive the Senate in the Hall of the House, in joint convention, for the purpose of electing a United States' Senator, and three Judges of the Supreme Court for the State of Iowa.

Whereupon, on motion,

The Senate, preceded by their President and Secretaries, repaired to the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The two branches of the Legislative Assembly having met in the Hall of the House, a call of the members was had, and Messrs. Morgan and Tutt reported absent.

The President stated the object of the convention, to-wit: the election of a United States' Senator for the period of six years, from the 4th of March, A. D. 1855; and the election of three Supreme Judges for the State of Iowa, and that Mr. Workman of the Senate, and Mr. Kinert of the House, had been appointed tellers.

NOMINATIONS FOR SENATOR.

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

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

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

Mr. Boyles nominated Edward Johnson, of Lee county.

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

Mr. Saunders nominated James Harlan, of Henry county.

Mr. Creel nominated Thomas W. Claggett, 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. Shelladay, 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 roll having been called by the Secretary, and all the members having voted, the President announced, that

Augustus C. Dodge had	received	29	votes.
Fitz Henry Warren	"	16	"
Edward Johnson	"	11	"
J. B Howell	"	9	"
Ebenezer Cook	"	7	"
Jacob Butler	"	5	"
J. H. D. Street	"	5	"
S. B. Shelladay	"	4	"

James Harlan	received	4 votes.
Thomas H. Benton, jr.	"	3 "
Geo. G. Wright	"	3 "
E. W. Eastman	"	1 "
Joseph Williams	"	1 "
J. C. Hall	"	1 "

Necessary to a choice, 50.

There being no choice, Mr. Dorland moved that the convention adjourn until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Love moved to amend, by striking out the "10 o'clock" and inserting *sine die*, and upon this question demanded the yeas and nays, which were called with the following result:

YEAS.—Messrs. Albright, Birge, Browning, Bryan of Guthrie, Bonson, Boyles, Bryan of Warren, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Corse, Damon, Dewey of Lee, Dewey of Freemont, Franklin, Goodfellow, Hall, Hinkle, Jackson, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McAchran, Meek, Moore, Monroe, Neal, Neely, Newsom, Preston, Poston, Ramsay, Shields, Samuels, Smith of Jackson, Test, Tisdale, Tracy, Udell, Workman, Weatherington, Witter, Yeoman, and Mr. President—45.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Baldwin, Barker, Bigelow, Brown, Cleaver, Coffin, Conkey, Connell, Creel, Cremer, Dorland, Edie, Fulton, Graham, Greenleaf, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Holmes of Linn, Holmes of Jones, Hyde, Jackson, Kinert, Lockwood, Lyon, McCrary, Matthews, McCrory, McFarland, McKay, Meachem, Noble, Needham, Park, Pigman, Prichard, Rogers, Rosser, Russel, Saunders, Schram, Smith of Cedar, Stephenson, Turner, Vanfossin, Witter, Wamsley, White, Williams and Young—51.

Amendment recurring on the original motion, Mr. Love called for the yeas and nays, with the following result:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Barker, Bigelow, Brown, Cleaver, Coffin, Conkey, Connell, Creel, Dorland, Edie, Fulton, Graham, Greenleaf, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogin, Holmes of Linn, Holmes of Jones, Jackson, Kinert, Lockwood, McCrary, Matthews, McFarland, McKay, Meachem, Noble, Needham, Park, Pigman, Prichard, Rogers, Rosser, Russel, Saunders, Schram, Stephenson, Turner, Vanfossin, Witter, Wamsley, White, Williams and Young—45.

NAYS.—Messrs. Albright, Birge, Browning, Bryan of Guthrie, Baldwin, Bonson, Boyles, Bryan of Warren, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop,

Corse, Creamer, Damon, Dewey of Lee, Dewey of Fremont, Franklin, Goodfellow, Hall, Hinkle, Hyde, Johnson, Love, Lucas, McCall, McCulloch, McAchran, McCrary, Meek, Monroe, Moore, Neal, Neely, Nusom, Preston, Poston, Ramsay, Shields, Samuels, Sargent, Smith of Jackson, Smith of Cedar, Test, Thurston, Tisdale, Tracy, Udell, Wilkinson, Workman, Weatherington, Witter, Yeoman and Mr. President—53.

The convention proceeded to a second vote for Senator, which resulted as follows:

A. C. Dodge,	29
E. W. Eastman,	1
Edward Johnson,	14
J. H. D. Street,	5
James Harlan,	12
S. B. Shelladay,	2
F. H. Warren,	18
E. Cook,	8
J. B. Howell,	9

Whole number of votes 99.

Necessary to a choice 50.

There was no choice.

Mr. Edie moved to adjourn till to-morrow morning, 10 o'clock.

Mr. Love moved to amend by striking out "10 o'clock," and inserting *sine dic*, and on this question demanded the yeas and nays, with the following result:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Baldwin, Barker, Bigelow, Brown, Cleaver, Coffin, Creel, Creamer, Dorland, Edie, Fulton, Graham, Greenleaf, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Holmes of Jones, Jackson, Kinert, Lockwood, Lyon, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, McFarland, McKay, Meachem, Park, Pigman, Prichard, Rogers, Rosser, Russel, Saunders, Schram, Stephenson, Test, Turner, Vanfossin, Wilkinson, Ramsay, White, Williams, Young and Mr. President—46.

NAYS.—Messrs. Albright, Birge, Bryan of Guthrie, Bronson, Boyles, Bryan of Warren, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Conkey, Connel, Corse, Damon, Dewey of Lee, Dewey, of Fremont, Franklin, Goodfellow, Hall, Hinkle, Holmes of Linn, Hogan, Johnson, Love, Lucas, McCall, McCullough, McCrary, Meek, Monroe, Moore, Noble, Needham, Neal,

Neeley, Newsom, Preston, Poston, Ramsey, Shields, Samuels, Sargent, Smith of Jackson, Smith of Cedar, Thurston, Tisdale, Tracy, Udell, Workman, Walters, Weatherington, Witter and Yoeman—53.

Mr. Browning moved to amend by striking out ten o'clock, and inserting Wednesday next, at 2½ o'clock.

On which question the yeas and nays were demanded, and called with the following result:

YEAS.—Messrs. Albright, Birge, Bryan of Guthrie, Bronson, Boyles, Bryan of Warren, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Corse, Damon, Dewey of Lee, Dewey of Fremont, Franklin, Goodfellow, Hall, Hinkle, Hyde, Jackson, Love, Lucas, McCullough, Meek, Monroe, Moore, McCall, Neal, Neely, Nusom, Preston, Poston, Ramsey, Shields, Samuels, Sargent, Smith of Jackson, Test, Thurston, Tisdale, Tracy, Udell, Workman, Weatherington, Witter, Yeoman, and Mr. President—45.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Barker, Baldwin, Bigelow, Brown, Cleaver, Coffin, Conkey, Connel, Creel, Creamer, Dorland, Edie, Fulton, Graham, Greenleaf, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Holmes of Linn, Holmes of Jones, Johnson, Kinert, Lockwood, Lyon, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, McCrorey, McFarland, McKay, Meecham, Noble, Needham, Park, Pigman, Prichard, Rosser, Russell, Saunders, Schram, Smith of Cedar, Stephenson, Turner, Vanfossin, Wilkinson, Walters, Wamsley, White, Williams and Young—53.

The motion to amend was lost.

The amendment of Mr. Browning was lost. The question recurred to the original motion, when Mr. Shields demanded the yeas and nays, which were called with the following result:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Baldwin, Barker, Bigelow, Brown, Cleaver, Conkey, Coffin, Connel, Creel, Creamer, Dorland, Edie, Fulton, Graham, Greenleaf, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Holmes of Linn, Holmes of Jones, Kinert, Lockwood, Lyon, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, McFarland, McKay, Meecham, Needham, Noble, Park, Pigman, Prichard, Rogers, Rosser, Russell, Saunders, Schram, Smith of Cedar, Stephenson, Turner, Vanfossin, Wilkinson, Walters, Wamsley, White, Williams and Young—51.

NAYS.—Albright, Birge, Bryan of Guthrie, Bonson, Boyles, Bryan of Warren, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Corse, Damon, Dewey of Lee, Dewey of Fremont, Franklin, Goodfellow, Hall, Hinkle, Hyde, Jackson, Johnson, Love, Lucas, McCall, McCrory, Meek, Monroe, Moore,

Neal, Neeley, Newsom, Preston, Poston, Ramsey, Shields, Samuels, Sargent, Smith, of Jackson, Test, Thurston, Tisdale, Tracy, Udell, Workman, Weatherington, Witter, Yeoman, and Mr. President—48.

The joint convention then adjourned till to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock.

The Senators then retired to the Senate Chamber, when,

On motion of Mr. Shields,

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

THURSDAY MORNING, DEC. 14th, 1854.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

On motion of Mr. Saunders,

The reading of the journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Mr. Preston,

The Secretary informed the House that the Senate were now ready to proceed to the hall of the House of Representatives, for the purpose of electing a United States Senator, a Chief Justice, and two Assistant Judges of the Supreme Court of the State of Iowa, in joint convention.

Messrs. McKay and Witter, a committee on the part of the House of Representatives were announced, and informed the Senate that the House were now ready to receive the Senate in joint convention for the purpose of electing a United States Senator and three Judges of the Supreme Court for the State of Iowa.

Whereupon the Senate, preceded by their President and Secretaries, repaired to the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The two branches of the Legislative Assembly having met in the hall of the House,

A call of the members was had and all the members answered to their names.

The President stated the object of the convention, to wit:

The election of a United States Senator for the period of six years from the 4th of March next, and also the election of three Judges of the Supreme Court for the State of Iowa.

NOMINATIONS FOR SENATOR.

Mr. Anderson nominated Jas. Harlan.

Mr. Samuels nominated Augustus C. Dodge.

Mr. Thurston nominated Edward Johnson.

Mr. Hyde nominated Ebenezer Cook.

Mr. Lucas nominated J. H. D. Street.

Mr. Browning, by leave of the Convention, suggested that candidates for U. S. S. be interrogated relative to their views upon various national topics.

When Mr. Love followed with some remarks, and closed by moving that the convention adjourn until one week from this day for the aforesaid purpose.

At the request of a member, Mr. Love withdrew his motion, to give the friends of the candidates an opportunity of explaining.

Mr. Russel, by consent, made some remarks, when Mr. Preston offered the following:

Mr. Preston moved the friends of the nominees be requested to state to the convention the opinions of the candidates upon national questions.

Mr. McFarland moved to amend the motion that they be allowed but three minutes each in which to define their positions.

Mr. Anderson moved to lay the motion and amendment on the table.

On which question the yeas and nays were demanded and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Baldwin, Barker, Bigelow, Brown, Cleaver, Coffin, Conkey, Creel Creamer. Dorland, Edie, Fulton, Graham, Greenleaf, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Holmes of Linn, Holmes of Jones, Kinert, Lockwood, Lyon, McCrary, McAchran, Matthews, McFarland, Mechem, Needham, Noble, Park, Pigman, Prichard, Rogers, Rosser, Russel, Saunders, Schram, Shields, Stephenson, Turner, Vanfossin, Wilkinson, Walters, Wamsley, White, Williams and Young—49.

NAYS.—Messrs. Albright, Birge, Bryan of Guthrie, Bryan of Warren, Bonson, Boyles, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Connel, Corse, Damon Dewey of Lee, Dewey of Fremont, Franklin, Goodfellow, Hall, Hinkle, Hyde, Jackson, Johnson, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrory, McCall, McKay, Meek, Monroe, Morse, Neal, Neely, Newsom, Preston, Poston, Ramsay, Samuels, Sargent, Smith of Jackson, Smith of Cedar, Test,

Thurston, Tisdale, Tracy, Udell, Workman, Weatherington, Witter, Yeoman and Mr. President—50.

The motion was lost.

Mr. Shields moved that the convention adjourn until next Thursday at 10 o'clock, on which question the yeas and nays were demanded and called, with the following result:

YEAS.—Messrs. Albright, Birge, Browning, Bryan of Guthrie, Bryan of Warren, Bonson, Boyles, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Conkey, Course, Damon, Dewey of Lee, Dewey of Fremont, Franklin, Goodfellow, Hall, Hinkle, Hyde, Jackson, Johnson, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrory, McCall, Meek, Monroe, Moore, Neal Neely, Newsom, Preston, Poston, Ramsay, Shields, Samuels, Sargent, Smith of Jackson, Test, Thurston, Tisdale, Tracy, Udell, Workman, Weatherington, Witter, Yeoman and Mr. President—50.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Baldwin, Barker, Bigelow, Brown, Cleaver, Coffin, Connell, Creel, Creamer, Dorland, Edie, Fulton, Graham, Greenleaf, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Holmes of Linn, Holmes of Jones, Kinert, Lockwood, Lyon, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, McFarland, McKay, Mechem, Needham, Noble, Park, Pigman, Pritchard, Rogers, Rosser, Russel, Saunders, Schram, Smith of Cedar, Stephenson, Turner, Vanfossin, Wilkinson, Walters, Wamsley, White, Williams and Young—49.

The motion was decided in the affirmative.

The Senate then retired to the Senate chamber, in the same order in which they had left it.

On motion of Mr. Udell,

The Senate adjourned until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

TWO O'CLOCK P. M.

Mr. Thurston, in pursuance of notice, introduced

Senate File No. 12, memorial for a grant of lands to the Fort Madison and Bloomfield Railroad, which was read the first and second times, and

On his motion,

Referred to the committee on federal relations.

Mr. Thurston, in pursuance of notice, introduced

Senate File No. 13, memorial for mail services on routes No.——

from Fort Madison to Farmington, &c., which was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

Referred to the committee on federal relations.

Mr. Matthews, in pursuance of notice, introduced

Senate File No. 14, joint resolution, asking for additional mail facilities, which was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

Referred to the committee on federal relations.

Mr. Schram, from the committee on engrossed bills, reported

Senate File No. 10, a bill for an act, authorizing the County Judge of Appanoose county, to transcribe and index certain records, as correctly engrossed.

The President laid before the Senate the

Report of the Auditor of State, with accompanying documents.

On motion of Mr. Love, the reading of the same was dispensed with, and

On motion of Mr. Schram,

The report and accompanying documents were referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Hamilton offered the following, which was adopted :

Resolved, That the Superintendent of public instruction, be requested, at his earliest convenience, to lay before the Senate his usual report, and that the Secretary of the Senate, transmit to him a copy of this resolution.

Senate File, No. 10, being in order, was read a third time, passed, and the title thereof agreed to.

Mr. Lucas, in pursuance of notice, introduced

Senate File, No. 16: a bill for an act to remove the seat of Government from Iowa City, in Johnson county, to Fort Des Moines, in Polk county.

Which was read a first and second times, when Mr. Fulton moved its reference to the committee on roads.

Lost.

On motion of Mr. Test,

The bill was referred to the committee on public buildings.

Mr. Coop gave notice, that he would on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, ask leave to introduce a bill for an act to amend an act en-

titled an act, providing for the election of supervisors, and defining their duties.

Mr. Bryan, in pursuance of notice, introduced

Senate File, No. 15, joint resolution for additional mail service.

Which was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

Referred to the committee on federal relations.

On motion of Mr. Workman,

The occupancy of the Senate Chamber was tendered to the citizens of Iowa City, on Monday evening next.

On motion of Mr. Love,

The Senate resolved itself into committee of the whole on the inaugural address of the Governor.

Mr. Needham in the chair, and after some time spent therein, rose and reported a reference of the address to committees, as follows:

That part referring to amendments to the constitution, to the committee on federal relations.

That part referring to taxation of property for the support of public schools, to the committee on schools.

That part referring to public instruction, to the committee on schools.

That part referring to the institution of slavery, to the committee on federal relations.

That part referring to the traffic in ardent spirits, to the committee on ways and means.

That part referring to asylums for lunatics, the deaf, dumb, and blind, to the committee on charitable institutions.

That part referring to the establishment of district school libraries, to the committee on schools.

That part referring to the university, to the committee on public lands.

The report, on motion, was concurred in.

On motion of Mr. McCrary,

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

FRIDAY MORNING, DEC. 15th, 1854.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. Love moved that the Journal of yesterday be amended so as to show more minutely the course of proceedings in the joint convention.

And on this question the yeas and nays were demanded, ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Senators Birge, Browning, Bryan, Clark, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Coop, Fulton, Love, Lucas, Matthews, McAchran, McCulloch, Park, Preston, Ramsay, Schram, Shields, Thurston, Udell, Wilkinson, Workman—22.

NAYS.—Senators Anderson, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogin, McCrary, Needham, Saunders, Test and Mr. President—9.

The Journal was amended.

Mr. McAchran presented the petition of C. B. Van Gent, for payment for services as Clerk and Commissary of the Iowa penitentiary.

On motion of Mr. Coolbaugh,

The further reading was suspended, and the petition referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Cleaver, in pursuance of notice, leave being granted, introduced Senate file No. 17, joint resolution on the subject of a grant of land to aid in the construction of the Philadelphia, Fort Wayne and Platte river air line railroad,

Which was read a first and second time, and on his motion, referred to the committee on federal relations.

Mr. Cleaver gave notice that he would on to-morrow, or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill for an act authorizing railroad companies in this State to consolidate their stock with companies in adjoining States.

Mr. Thurston gave notice that he would on to-morrow, or some future day, ask leave to introduce a joint memorial to Congress for a reduction of the duties on railroad iron.

Mr. Anderson gave notice that he would on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, ask leave to introduce a bill for an act amendatory

of an act regulating proceedings and trial before justices of the peace for misdemeanors and public offences within their jurisdiction.

Mr. Hamilton gave notice that on to-morrow, or some future day, he would ask leave to introduce a bill for an act to authorize dams on streams in certain cases, and to provide for an assessment of damages from overflow.

Mr. McCrary gave notice that he would on to-morrow, or some future day, ask leave to introduce a joint resolution urging upon Congress the restoration of the Missouri compromise line.

Mr. Needham, on leave, introduced Senate file No. 18, a bill for an act providing for a revision and amendment of the constitution of this State,

Which was read a first and second times, and on motion of Mr. Shields, referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Fulton, on leave, introduced Senate file No. 19, a bill for an act to amend an act entitled an act to amend the several acts in relation to a State printer.

Which was read a first and second times, and on his motion, referred to a select committee of five.

The President appointed Senators Fulton, Thurston, Needham, Preston and Birge, said committee.

Mr. Udell, on leave, introduced Senate file No. 20, a bill for an act to amend chapter 85 of the Code, in relation to the issuing of marriage licenses,

Which was read a first and second times, and on motion, referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Coop offered the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the committee on schools be instructed to take into consideration the propriety of revising and embodying in one all the laws now in force on the subject of common schools, together with such alterations and amendments as they may think proper to submit to the consideration of the Senate on the subject of schools.

Mr. Shields presented the following:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred the report of the Auditor of State, together with the accompanying documents, beg leave to report that they have examined the same, and recommend that the same be laid upon the table, and that six thousand copies be printed for the use of the General Assembly, three thousand copies for the use of the Senate, and three thousand copies

for the use of the House of Representatives; all of which is respectfully submitted,

Which, on motion of Mr. Test, was concurred in by the Senate.

The President laid before the Senate the following communication, which was read by the Secretary:

IOWA CITY, DEC. 15th, 1854.

GENTLEMEN OF THE SENATE—In reply to your resolution of yesterday, I beg leave to say that my report will be submitted at an early day. I am preparing an accurate statement of the selection and sale of school lands and the investment of the school fund, for the period commencing April 1st, 1847, and ending March 31st, 1854, and cannot perfect it until certain information, which I am daily expecting from the School Fund Commissioners, is received. In the meantime I must respectfully ask your further indulgence.

I am, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
THOMAS H. BENTON, JR.,
Ex. Sup. Pub. Instr.

The President presented to the Senate the following communication:

MR. PRESIDENT—The Secretary of the Senate, who was instructed to procure a case, with appropriate apartments attached, for the distribution and safe keeping of the mail matter of the Senate, would report that he has discharged that duty, and the case is now ready for the use of the Senate, and for which the following account has been presented:

IOWA CITY, DEC. 13th, 1854.

State of Iowa to Finkbine & Lovelace,	Dr.
To table and case of pigeon boxes,	$12 00
Drayage,	20
	$12 20

Respectfully,
B. P. RANKIN, *Sec. Senate.*

On motion of Mr. Shields,
The account was referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Coolbaugh gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he would ask leave to introduce a bill for an act to prevent trespass or waste from being committed on swamp and other lands.

Mr. McCrary presented an account of Joseph C. Knapp, against the State of Iowa, which,

On motion of Mr. Udell,

Was referred to the committee on claims.

On motion, the Senate adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Mr. Hamilton, from the committee on judiciary, reported,

Substitute for Senate file, No. 5: A bill for an act to repeal certain sections of an act to regulate the interest on money, which,

On motion of Mr. Browning,

Was laid on the table.

Mr. Hamilton, from the committee on the judiciary, reported back Senate File, No. 20, a bill for an act to amend chapter 85, of the Code, in relation to the issuing marriage license, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Park moved to amend by striking out the last section of the bill,

Which was adopted, and the bill

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

Message from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Fulton, Assistant Clerk.

Mr. PRESIDENT:—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed H. File, No. 6, entitled,

"An act to provide for the location of the seat of justice of Union county,"

In which, they ask the concurrence of the Senate. Also, to present accompanying papers.

A. R. FULTON, *Assistant Clerk, H. R.*

The message from the House of Representatives was taken up.

H. R. File, No. 6, an act to provide for the location of the seat of justice of Union county,

Was read a first and second times, and, on motion of Mr. Love,

Referred to the committee on new counties.

On motion of Mr. Shields,

Senate File, No. 5, and the substitute therefor, were taken from the table, and on his motion the proviso in the substitute was stricken out, and the substitute adopted; when,

On motion of Mr. Preston,

The Senate resolved itself into committee of the whole, for the consideration of the substitute; Mr. McAchran in the chair, and after some time spent therein, the committee rose, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again to-morrow.

Leave was granted.

On motion of Mr. Park,

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

SATURDAY MORNING, DEC. 16, 1854.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. Bryan presented four petitions of W. S. Townsend and seventy others, for a State road, and on his motion, it was referred to a select committee of five.

Senators Bryan, Hogan, Test, McCrary, and Udell, were appointed said committee.

Mr. Shields presented papers in relation to the claim of Capt. M. M. Hayden, in behalf of the Dubuque city guards, which were, on his motion, referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Hamilton gave notice, that on to-morrow, or some early day, he would ask leave to introduce a bill for an act to locate a State road from Cedar Falls, in Blackhawk county, by Fort Dodge, in Webster county, to Sargents Bluffs, in Woodbury county.

Also, a bill for an act to locate a State road from Cedar Falls, in Blackhawk county, up to the west fork of Cedar to Clear Lake, in Cerro Gordo county.

Mr. Test, on leave, introduced

Senate File, No. 21, a bill for an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Council Bluffs.

Which was read a first and second times, and on his motion, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time on Monday next.

Mr. Hamilton, on leave, introduced

Senate File, No. 22, a bill for an act authorizing mill dams,

Which was read a first and second times, and on motion, referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Coolbaugh, in pursuance of notice, introduced

Senate File, No. 23, a bill for an act to prevent trespass or waste from being committed on swamp and other lands,

Which was read a first and second times, and on his motion, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time on Monday next.

Mr. Anderson gave notice, that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he would ask leave to introduce a bill for an act to amend chapter 55 of the Code, regulating the sale of intoxicating liquors.

Mr. Thurston gave notice, that on Monday, or some day thereafter, he would ask leave to introduce a bill to amend section 2358 of the Code, in relation to attachments.

Also, a bill amendatory to chapter 89 of the Code, in relation to master and apprentice.

Mr. McCullough gave notice, that on Monday next, or on some day thereafter, he would ask leave to introduce a bill to more fully define the duty of supervisors of roads and highways.

Mr. Cleaver, in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced

Senate File, No. 24, a bill for an act to authorize railroad companies to consolidate their stock with the stock of railroad companies in this, or an adjoining State, and to connect their roads with the roads of said companies,

Which was read a first and second times, and

On motion of Mr. Browning,

Laid on the table, and the usual number of copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Senate.

Mr. Coop, in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced

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

Which was read a first and second times.

On motion of Mr. Fulton,

The first section of the bill was amended by striking out the word "seventy" and inserting the word "eighty," the bill was then ordered to be engrossed and read a third time on Monday next.

Mr. Schram, from the committee on engrossed bills, reported Senate File, No. 20, as correctly engrossed.

Mr. Thurston, from the committee on public buildings, reported substitute for Senate File, No. 16, a bill for an act to remove the seat of government from Iowa City, in Johnson county, to Fort Des Moines, in Polk county; and

On motion of Mr. Love,

The bill and substitute were laid on the table, subject to the order of the Senate.

Senate File, No. 20, a bill for an act to amend chapter 85 of the Code, in relation to the issuing of marriage license,

Was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

Mr. Shields moved that the Senate adjourn until Monday morning at 10 o'clock.

Lost.

On motion of Mr. Preston,

The Senate resolved itself into committee of the whole, for the consideration of Senate File, No. 5, a bill for an act to repeal certain sections of an act to regulate the interest on money, and the substitute therefor.

Mr. McAchran in the chair, and after some time spent therein, the committee rose, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted.

On motion of Mr. Anderson,

The Senate adjourned until two o'clock this afternoon.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

On motion of Mr. McCrary,

The Senate resumed its session in committee of the whole, for the consideration of Senate File, No. 5, and the substitute therefor.

Mr. McAchran in the chair, and after some time spent therein, the committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted.

Mr. Test offered the following:

Resolved, That the Attorney General of the State, be requested to furnish the Senate with his written opinion as to whether the incor-

poration of the city of Burlington, through its officers, has not violated section 2732 of the criminal Code of Iowa, by issuing notes or other evidences of debt, to be put in circulation as money, and whether said city has not forfeited its charter by violating said law,

Which, on motion of Mr. Shields,

Was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Coolbaugh,

The Senate adjourned until Monday morning, 10 o'clock.

MONDAY MORNING, DEC. 18th, 1854.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. Coolbaugh rose to a privileged question, in reference to the correspondence of the Dubuque Tribune of the 13th inst., misrepresenting the proceedings which were had in joint convention for the opening and counting the votes for Governor, and containing abusive personal allusions.

Senators Love, Shields, Test and Preston made additional remarks, censuring the author of the article.

Mr. Coop presented a memorial for aid to the State agricultural society, which was read, and on his motion 1,000 copies were ordered to be printed for the use of the General Assembly, and the memorial referred to the committee on agriculture.

Mr. Matthews presented the petition of Wm. Jerome, and eighty-four others, asking the establishment of a State road from Lyons, in Clinton county, to Cedar Rapids, in Linn county.

Also the petition of G. W. Stambaugh, and eighty-nine others, asking the establishment of a State road from Lyons, in Clinton county, to Maquoketa, in Jackson county.

And on his motion the reading of the petitions was dispensed with, and the petitions referred to the committee on roads.

Mr. Test gave notice that he would on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, ask leave to introduce a bill to amend an act entitled an to dispose of the swamp and overflowed lands within this State, approved 13th January, 1853.

Mr. Saunders gave notice that he would on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, ask leave to introduce a bill for an act providing for the appropriation of the sum of $20,000 for the purpose of building an institute for the deaf and dumb, and for the location of the same at Mt. Pleasant, in Henry county.

Mr. Thurston gave notice that on to-morrow, or some day thereafter, he would ask leave to introduce the following bills:

A bill for an act to amend the charter of Fort Madison.

Also, a bill for an act authorizing the trustees of townships to levy and collect so much tax as shall be sufficient to pay all just claims which were due and payable at the time of the taking effect of the Code.

Mr. Hamilton gave notice that on to-morrow, or some early day, he would ask leave to introduce the following bills:

A bill for an act to detach the north tier of townships from Chickasaw county, and attach the same to Howard county.

Also, a bill for an act to detach the north tier of townships from Floyd county, and attach the same to Mitchell county.

Mr. Matthews gave notice that on to-morrow, or some future day, he would ask leave to introduce a bill for an act entitled an act to incorporate the town of Lyons.

Mr. Preston offered the following, which was adopted:

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 vested 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.

Mr. Hamilton, on leave, introduced

Senate File, No. 26, bill for an act to authorize the Governor of the State to adjust and close the 500,000 acre grant,

Which was read a first and second times, and,

On motion of Mr. Test,

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

Mr. Schram, from the committee on engrossed bills, reported Senate Files Nos. 21, 23, and 25, as correctly engrossed.

Mr. Hamilton, on leave, in pursuance of notice, introduced

Senate File, No. 27, a bill for an act to locate a State road from Cedar Falls, via Fort Dodge, to Sargents Bluffs,

Which was read a first and second times, and,

On motion of Mr. Test,

Referred to a select committee of five.

The President appointed

Senators Test, McCrary, Shields, Lucas and Hogan, said committee.

Mr. Bryan, in pursuance of notice, introduced

Senate File, No. 28, a bill for an act to regulate grist mills and millers, within the State of Iowa,

Which was read a first and second times.

Mr. Shields moved that the bill be laid upon the table,

And on this question the yeas and nays were demanded, called, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Senators Anderson, Clark, Hamilton, McAchran, McCrary, Ramsay, Schram and Shields—8.

NAYS.—Senators Birge, Browning, Bryan, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Coop, Fulton, Hillis, Hogan, Love, Lucas, Matthews, McCullough, Needham, Park, Preston, Saunders, Test, Thurston, Udell, Wilkinson, Workman and Mr. President—23.

The motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. Preston,

The bill was ordered to be laid on the table, and the usual number of copies printed for the use of the General Assembly.

On motion of Mr. Test,

The resolution offered yesterday, requesting the written opinion of the Attorney General with regard to the legality of the acts of the corporate authorities of the city of Burlington, was taken from the table.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution, was decided in the affirmative.

Senate File, No. 21, a bill for an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Council Bluffs, was read a third time, and by unanimous consent,

On motion of Mr. Test,

Amended by striking out the word "passage," in the fourth section, and adding at the end of the section the words, "publication in the Council Bluffs Bugle, and Iowa Capital Reporter.

The bill was then passed, and its title agreed to.

Senate File, No. 23, a bill for an act to prevent trespass or waste from being committed on swamp and other lands, being on its reading,

On motion of Mr. Coolbaugh,

The first blank in the second section was filled by inserting the words, "one hundred," and the second blank in the same section by inserting the words "sixty,"

After which, the bill was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Love,

The Senate adjourned until ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 19th, 1854.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. Workman offered the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Auditor of State be requested to furnish the Senate, at his earliest convenience, a full statement of the amount paid by this State, on account of the location of the seat of government at Monroe City; embracing a schedule of the amount paid Commissioners, Surveyor, and other help, together with the amount paid purchasers of lots in said Monroe City, and all other expenses which have been paid by the State, arising from said location.

Mr. McCullough offered the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That his excellency, Governor Grimes, be, and he is hereby, respectfully requested, to furnish the Senate, at his earliest convenience, with such information as he may have in his possession, in relation to the number and condition of the insane, the deaf, dumb and blind persons within this State; and also that he convey such intelligence, and make such suggestions respecting the requisite steps to be taken by this legislative assembly to provide for the future custody and wants of those unfortunate classes of persons, as in his judgment may seem proper.

Mr. Fulton from the select committee to which was referred Senate file, No. 19, a bill for an act to amend an act, entitled an act to amend the several acts in relation to a State Printer, reported a substitute therefor,

Which was read, and

On motion of Mr. Love,

The bill and substitute were laid on the table, subject to the order of the Senate.

Mr. Schram from the committee on engrossed bills, reported 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, as correctly engrossed.

The President laid before the Senate the report of the Superintendent of Public Instruction. And

On motion of Mr. Love,

The reading of the same was dispensed with, and 6,000 copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Senate.

Mr. Thurston, in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced Senate File No. 29, a bill for an act to amend an act to incorporate the town of Fort Madison, approved January 25th, 1848.

Which was read a first and second times, and

On his motion, referred to a select committee.

The President appointed Senators Thurston, Hogan, Love, Schram and Workman, said committee.

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

Was read a third time, passed, and its title 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,

Was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Mr. Thurston gave notice that on to-morrow, or some day thereafter, he would ask leave to introduce a bill for an act for the relief of Harriet O'Reilly.

Also, a joint resolution, instructing the Attorney General to pay over any moneys in his hands, belonging to the penitentiary.

Mr. Ramsay gave notice that on to-morrow, or some day thereafter, he would ask leave to introduce a bill for an act to repeal chapter seventy-six of the Code of Iowa.

Mr. Thurston, in pursuance of notice, by leave, introduced Senate

File No. 30, a bill for an act to authorize Township Trustees to levy and collect so much tax as shall be sufficient to pay all claims against said townships at the taking effect of the Code,

Which was read a first and second times, and

On motion of Mr. Hamilton,

Referred to the committee on new counties.

Mr. Saunders, in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced

Senate File No. 31, joint resolution, for increased mail facilities, which was read a first and second times, and

On his motion, referred to the committee of federal relations.

On motion of Mr. Preston,

The petitions on the subject of the traffic in intoxicating drinks were taken from the table, and referred to a select committee.

On motion of Mr. Preston,

The Senate adjourned until two o'clock this afternoon.

TWO O'CLOCK P. M.

Mr. Workman presented the claim of James Cavanaugh against the State, which was,

On his motion, referred to the committee on claims.

The President appointed Senators Anderson, Preston, McAchran, Shields and Saunders the select committee, to which was referred the Petitions on the subject of the traffic in ardent spirits.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives :

MR. PRESIDENT—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed House File No. 9—"a bill for an act to appoint commissioners to locate the seat of justice of Ringgold county"—and ask the concurrence of the Senate therein.

A. K. FULTON, *Ass't. Clerk House Rep.*

On motion of Mr. Hamilton,

The Senate adjourned until to-morrow morning at ten o'clock.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, DEC. 20, 1854.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. Shields presented the remonstrance of Mr. G. Cook and 187 other citizens of Floyd county, against any alteration of the boundaries of said county.

Also, the Petition of John Love and 190 others, citizens of Floyd county, on the subject of the county seat of said county, both of which were,

On his motion, referred to the committee on county boundaries.

Mr. Bryan presented the petition of James W. Harris and 57 others, for the location of a State road, which,

On his motion, was referred to the committee on roads.

Mr. Test offered the following:

Whereas, On the occasion of the reading of the inaugural address of the Governor in the joint convention of the two Houses, certain persons in the gallery, in a disorderly manner, applauded the sentiments contained in the same, whereupon the Senator from Des Moines moved that the galleries be cleared, but on the solicitation of friends, and without any further demonstrations whatever, from the audience up to that moment, the Senator from Des Moines withdrew his motion; and, whereas, said disorderly persons in the gallery afterwards, as the Senate were retiring from the Hall of the house grossly insulted the Senator from Des Moines by calling out his name in a contemptuous and jeering manner, in flagrant violation of the rules of the House, and of common courtesy, all of which occurred in the presence of the members of this body; therefore,

Resolved, 1st, That the article in the Dubuque Daily Tribune, written, and now avowed by A. W. Hackley, who was present as a reporter in the joint convention by the courtesy of the two Houses, is a grossly false representation of what occurred on the occasion referred to.

2nd. That so much of said article as affirms that, "after a general outburst of indignation, the advocates *par excellence* of popular sovereignty, withdrew the motion" to clear the galleries; by which the author evidently seeks to produce the impression upon the public mind

abroad, that the motion was withdrawn in consequence of the "general outburst of indignation," is notoriously and palpably untrue.

3d. That so much of said article as affirms that the second motion to clear the galleries, by a member of the House, in consequence of the insult offered to the Senator from Des Moines, was put down by the "evident indications of disapproval and *contempt* of the House" is believed by this body to be false, not only from information received from members of the House, but because the Senate cannot, for a moment, believe that the House of Representatives was so far wanting in respect for its own character as to put down with "evident indications of disapproval and *contempt*," a motion to clear the galleries of the disorderly persons who participated in the outrage of insulting a member of the Senate in the strict line of his duty, offering to said persons no just cause of offense whatever.

4th. That the whole spirit of said article in which the author, who was for the time being, a privileged person on the floor of the joint convention, seeks to justify and defend a disgraceful scene of disorder, grossly insulting to a member of the Senate, and violative, not less of the rules of the body than of the common proprieties of life demands the emphatic condemnation of all who are not willing to convert our legislative assemblies into scenes of disorder and uproar, and to stifle free discussion by mob violence.

5th. That the refusal of said A. W. Hackley to apologize for said offence, or even acknowledge his error when an opportunity was offered him by the Senate so to do, and his bold attempt, in the paper read on his part, to the Senate, to re-assert the truth of what the members of this body know to be false, is regarded as a flagrant outrage—showing that he is wholly unworthy of the privileges of a reporter here.

Resolved, Therefore, that said A. W. Hackley be deprived of the privilege of occupying a seat as a reporter, upon the floor of the Senate, which,

On his motion, was laid on the table.

Mr. Test, in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced

Senate File No. 32, memorial and joint resolution, for the removal and location of the Omaha Indians in Nebraska Territory, which was read a first and second times, and

On his motion, orderded to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Mr. Bryan offered the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary, be instructed to enquire into the expediency of so amending chapter 114 of the Code of Iowa, in relation to appeals, so as to cause the appellant to show probable cause why such appeal should be granted, as well in Justices Courts as in the District Courts, and that they report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Preston offered the following:

Resolved, That the regular hour of meeting for the Senate, hereafter, be fixed at 9 o'clock A. M.

On the adoption of which the yeas and nays were demanded, ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Senators Birge, Browning, Bryan, Cleaver, Coop, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Lucas, Matthews, McCullough, McCrary, Needham, Park, Preston, Ramsay, Saunders, Test, Thurston, Udell, Wilkinson and Mr. President—22.

NAYS.—Senators Anderson, Clark, Coolbaugh, Hogan, Love, McAchran, Schram, Shields and Workman—9.

The resolution was adopted.

Mr. Preston gave notice that he would on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, ask leave to introduce a bill for an act providing for reporting and publishing the decisions of the Supreme Court of this State; also, a bill for an act to amend the code of Iowa.

Mr. Shields gave notice that he would on to-morrow, or some day thereafter, ask leave to introduce a memorial to Congress, asking for additional mail facilities.

Mr. Hamilton, from the select committee, to whom was referred the communication of A. W. Hackley, and the matters connected therewith, reported the following:

The committee to whom was referred the communication of A. W. Hackley, and the matters thereto relating, beg leave to report, that in consideration of Mr. A. W. Hackley having stated that the committee was constituted in a manner unfavorably to him, decline acting in the matter, and beg leave to be discharged.

W. W. HAMILTON, *Chairman.*

Which report, on motion of Mr. Love,

Was accepted, and the committee discharged.

Mr. Love moved that the communication of Mr. Hackley be placed upon the files of the Senate.

Mr. Saunders moved to amend, so as to have the same entered upon the Journal of the Senate, upon which amendment the yeas and nays were demanded ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Senators Hamilton, Hillis, Matthews, McCrary, Needham, Park, Saunders, Schram and Wilkinson—9.

NAYS.—Senators Anderson, Birge, Browning, Bryan, Clark, Cleaver, Coop, Fulton, Hogan, Love, Lucas, McAchran, McCullough, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—21.

The amendment was lost.

The question then recurring on the original motion, was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. Thurston, from the select committee to which was referred Senate File No. 29, a bill for an act to amend an act to incorporate the town of Fort Madison, reported the same back to the Senate, and recommended its passage.

On motion of Mr. Thurston,

The thirteenth rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

H. R. File No. 9, a bill for an act to appoint commissioners to locate the seat of justice of Ringgold county,

Was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

Ordered to be read a third time to-morrow.

Mr. Bryan, from the select committee to which was referred the petition of W. S. Townsend and others, reported Senate File No. 33, a bill for an act to locate a State road from Adel, in Dallas county, via Panora, in Guthrie county and Ballard's Bridge, in Audubon county, to Council Bluffs, in Pottawattamie county,

Which was read a first and second times, and,

On his motion,

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

On motion of Mr. Test,

The resolutions in relation to the expulsion of Mr. Hackley from the bar of the Senate, as reporter, were taken from the table.

Mr. Fulton offered the following substitute for the resolutions:

Resolved, That this Senate is satisfied that the gentleman from Des Moines in withdrawing his motion to clear the galleries, during a session of a late joint convention, was actuated in his action by the

request of his friends, and that all further action relating to the question, be suspended.

On motion of Mr. Love,

The Senate adjourned until 2 o'clock, this afternoon.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

On motion of Mr. Hamilton,

Leave was given Mr. Hackley to make explanatory remarks.

The question being on the substitute offered by Mr. Fulton, the yeas and nays were demanded, ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Senators Anderson, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Matthews, McCrary, Needham, Park, Saunders and Schram—11.

NAYS.—Senators Birge, Browning, Bryan, Clark, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Coop, Love, Lucas, McArchan, McCullough, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Wilkinson, Workman and Mr. President—20.

The substitute was lost.

The question then recurring on the adoption of the preamble and resolutions,

Mr. Love moved a division of the question,

Which motion was sustained.

The question being now on the adoption of the preamble, the yeas and nays were demanded, ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Senators Anderson, Birge, Browning, Bryan, Clark, Cleaver, Coop, Fulton, Love, Lucas, Matthews, McArchan, McCrary, Park, Preston, Ramsay, Schram, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Wilkinson, Workman and Mr. President—24.

NAYS.—Senators Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Needham and Saunders—5.

The question now being on the adoption of the resolution,

Mr. McCrary moved to amend the same, by striking out the word grossly," and inserting the word "slight."

Mr. Needham moved to amend the amendment, by adding the word "very," before the word "slight,"

Which motion was lost.

The question recurring on the original amendment, the yeas and nays were demanded, ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Senators Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Matthews, McCrary, Needham, Saunders, Schram and Wilkinson—10.

NAYS.—Senators Anderson, Birge, Browning, Bryan, Clark, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Coop, Love, Lucas, McAchran, McCullough, Prak, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—21.

The question now being on the adoption of the first resolution, the yeas and nays were demanded, called, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Senators Birge, Browning, Bryan, Clark, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Coop, Love, Lucas, McAchran, McCallough, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Wilkinson, Workman and Mr. President—20.

NAYS.—Senators Anderson, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Matthews, McCrary, Needham, Park, Saunders and Schram—11.

The question now being on the adoption of the second resolution, the yeas and nays were demanded, ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Senators Anderson, Birge, Browning, Bryan, Clark, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Coop, Hamilton, Love, Lucas, Matthews, McAchran, McCullough, Park, Preston, Ramsay, Saunders. Schram, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Wilkinson, Workman and Mr. President—26.

NAYS.—Senators Fulton, Hillis, Hogan, McCrary and Needham—5.

The third and fourth resolutions were then adopted by the Senate.

The question now being on the adoption of the fifth resolution, the yeas and nays were demanded, ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Senators Birge, Browning, Bryan, Clark Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Coop, Love, Lucas, McAchran, McCullough, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—19.

NAYS.—Senators Anderson, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Matthews, McCrary, Needham, Park, Saunders, Schram and Wilkinson—12.

The question now being on the adoption of the sixth resolution, the yeas and nays were demanded, ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Senators Birge, Browning, Bryan, Clark, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Coop, Love, Lucas, McAchran, McCullough, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—19.

NAYS.—Senators Anderson, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Mat-

thews, McCrary, Needham, Park, Saunders, Schram and Wilkinson—12.

So the preamble and resolutions were all adopted.

Mr. Coop, in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced

Senate File No. 34, a bill for an act to amend an act, entitled an act providing for the election of supervisors, and defining their duties, which was read a first and second times.

Mr. Fulton moved that it be laid upon the table, and one hundred copies printed for the use of the Senate. Lost.

On motion of Mr. Coop,

The bill was referred to the committee on roads.

Mr. Thurston, in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced

Senate File No. 35, a bill for an act for the relief of Harriet O'Riley, which was read a first and second times, and

On motion of Mr. Browning, referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr Anderson offered the following:

Resolved, The House concurring, that the General Assemlly adjourn on Friday, the 22nd inst., until Tuesday, January 2nd, A. D. 1855, which,

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

Mr. Thurston, in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced

Senate File No. 36, joint resolution to pay over certain monies, which was read a first and second times, and

On motion, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Preston,

The Senate adjourned until to-morrow morning, nine o'clock.

THURSDAY MORNING, DEC. 21, 1854.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Hamilton presented the petition of John Blunt and 90 others, on the subject of the boundaries of the counties of Floyd, and Mitchell, which,

On his motion, was referred to the committee on county boundaries.

Mr. Test offered the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That we tender to the citizens of Iowa City, the use of the senate chamber on Monday evening next.

Mr. Schram, from the committee on engrossed bills, reported Senate File No. 32 and 33 as correctly engrossed.

House of Representatives File No. 9, a bill for the appointment of commissioners to locate the county seat of Ringgold county, was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Senate File No. 32, memorial and joint resolution, for the removal and location of the Omaha Indians in Nebraska Territory, was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Senate File No. 33, a bill for an act to locate a State road from Adel in Dallas county, via Panora in Guthrie county, and Ballards bridge in Audubon county, to Council Bluffs in Pottawattamie county, was read the third time, and

On motion of Mr. Preston, laid on the table, subject to the order of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Love,

A committee was appointed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate were now ready to meet the House in the Representative Hall, for the purpose of electing a United States Senator and Supreme Judges for the State of Iowa.

The President appointed Senators Love and Hogan said committee.

The President laid before the Senate a communication from the Secretary of State, containing a tabular statement of the census of the several counties in this State for the year 1854.

On motion of Mr. Needham,

The reading of the same was dispensed with, the communication was laid on the table, and 1000 copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Senate.

Messrs. Russel and Dewey of Fremont, a committee on the part of the House, were announced, who informed the Senate that the House were now ready to receive the Senate in joint convention, for the purpose of electing a United States Senator and three Supreme Judges for the State of Iowa.

The Senate, preceded by their President and Secretaries, then repaired to the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The two branches of the Legislative Assembly having met in the Hall of the House, a call of the members was had, when it appeared that all the members of both Houses were present, and answered to their names except S. G. McAchran of the Senate, and Messrs. Damon and Walters of the House.

Messrs. Damon and Walters were excused from attendance.

Mr. McAchran appearing, the call was suspended.

The President announced the purpose of the convention.

Messrs. Workman and Kinert acting as tellers.

Mr. Boyles nominated A. C. Dodge.

Mr. Hyde nominated Ebenezer Cook.

Mr. Hamilton nominated James Harlan.

The convention then proceeded to a third vote for Senator, with the following result:

A. C. Dodge received	43	votes.
James Harlan "	47	"
Ebenezer Cook "	7	"
Edward Johnston "	1	vote.

There being no choice,

Mr. Russel moved that a further voting for Senator be suspended, and that the convention proceed to elect Judges of the Supreme Court.

A division of the question was called for, and decided in the affirmative.

The question now being on suspending further voting for Senator, the yeas and nays were demanded, ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Baldwin, Barker, Brown, Coffin, Connell, Creel, Creamer, Dorland, Edie, Fulton, Graham, Hamilton, Hillis, Holmes of Linn, Holmes of Jones, Kinert, Lockwood, Lyon, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, McFarland, McKay, Mechem, Needham, Noble, Park, Pigman, Prichard, Rogers, Rosser, Russell, Saunders, Schram, Smith of Cedar, Stephenson, Turner, Vanfossin, Wilkinson, Wamsley, White, Williams and Young—44.

NAYS.—Messrs. Albright, Birge, Browning, Bryan of Guthrie, Bryan of Warren, Bigelow, Bonson, Boyles, Clark, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Coop, Conkey, Corse, Dewey of Lee, Dewey of Fremont, Franklin, Goodfellow, Greanleaf, Hogan, Hall, Hinkle, Hyde, Jackson, Johnson, Love, Lucas, McCullough, McCrory, McCall, Meek, Monroe, Moore, Morgan, Neal, Neeley, Newsom, Preston, Poston, Ramsey, Shields,

Samuels, Sargent, Smith of Jackson, Test, Thurston, Tisdale, Tracy, Udell, Workman, Weatherington, Witter, Yoeman and Mr. President—54.

The motion was lost.

Mr. Wilkinson moved that when the convention adjourn, it will adjourn to meet on the third day of January next, and on this question the yeas and nays were demanded, ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Bigelow, Bonson, Brown, Coffin, Connell, Corse, Creel, Creamer, Dorland, Fulton, Graham, Greenleaf, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Kinert, Lyon, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, McFarland, Mecham, Monroe, Morgan, Needham, Noble, Pigman, Prichard, Rogers, Rosser, Russell, Saunders, Schram, Stephenson, Vanfossin, Wilkinson, Wamsley, White, Williams and Young—41.

NAYS.—Messrs. Albright, Birge, Browning, Bryan of Guthrie, Bryan of Warren, Baldwin, Barker, Boyles, Clark, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Coop, Conkey, Dewey of Lee, Dewey of Fremont, Edie, Franklin, Goodfellow, Hall, Hinkle, Holmes of Linn, Holmes of Jones, Hyde, Jackson, Johnson, Love, Lockwood, Lucas, McCullough, McCrorey, McCall, McKay, Meek, Monroe, Moore, Neal, Neely, Newsom, Preston, Poston, Ramsey, Shields, Samuels, Sargent, Smith of Jackson, Smith of Cedar, Test, Thurston, Tisdale, Tracy, Turner, Udell, Workman, Weatherington, Witter, Yeoman and Mr. President—57.

The motion was lost.

Mr. Boyles withdrew the name of A. C. Dodge.

Mr. Thurston nominated J. W. Claggett.

Mr. Lucas nominated J. H. D. Steet.

Mr. Wilkinson nominated Jacob Butler.

Mr. Corse nominated Bernhart Henn.

The convention then proceeded to a fourth vote for Senator, which resulted as follows:

James Harlan	received	41	votes.
Ebenezer Cook	"	18	"
T. W. Claggett,	"	13	"
Bernhart Henn	"	10	"
J. H. D. Street	"	6	"
Jacob Butler	"	3	"
P. Gad Bryan	"	3	"
A. C. Dodge	"	2	"

B. M. Samuels received		1 vote.
Lincoln Clark	"	1 "

There being no choice,

Mr. Edie moved that the joint convention adjourn sine die.

On this question the yeas and nays were demanded, ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Albright, Birge, Bryan of Guthrie, Bryan of Warren, Bonson, Boyles, Brown, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Corse, Dewey of Lee, Dewey of Fremont, Dorland, Edie, Franklin, Goodfellow, Hall, Hinkle, Holmes of Jones, Jackson, Lucas, McCullough, McCall, McKay, Meek, Monroe, Moore, Neal, Preston, Poston, Ramsay, Russell, Shields, Sargent, Thurston, Tracy, Turner, Weatherington and Yeoman—40

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Baldwin, Barker, Bigelow, Cleaver, Coffin, Conkey, Connell, Creel, Creamer, Fulton, Graham, Greenleaf, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Holmes of Linn, Hyde, Johnson, Kinert, Love, Lockwood, Lyon, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, McCrory, McFarland, Mecham, Morgan, Needham, Neely Newson, Noble, Park, Pigman, Pritchard, Rogers, Roper, Saunders, Schram, Samuels, Smith of Jackson, Smith of Cedar, Stephenson, Test, Tisdale, Udell, Vanfossin, Wilkinson, Workman, Wamsley, White, Williams, Witter, Young and Mr. President—58.

The motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. Love,

The joint convention adjourned until three o'clock this afternoon

The Senate then retired to their chamber in the same order in which they had left it.

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until three o'clock, P. M.

THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The Senate, preceded by their President and Secretaries, repaired to the Hall of the House, pursuant to adjournment.

A call being had, all the members present this morning, answered to their names.

Mr. Test nominated Mr. D. Browning, when, after a few remarks from the nominee, at his request, Mr. Test, on leave, withdrew the nomination.

Mr. Preston nominated Thomas H. Benton, jun.

The convention then proceeded to a fifth vote for Senator, which resulted as follows:

James Harlan received	45	votes.
Ebenezer Cook, "	44	"
P. Gad Bryan, "	7	"
J. H. D. Street, "	1	"
T. H. Benton, jr. "	1	"

There still being no choice.

Mr. Russell moved that further voting for Senator be postponed until the fourth day of March next, and on this question the yeas and nays were demanded, ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Albright, Bryan of Guthrie, Bryan of Warren, Barker, Bigelow, Bonson, Boyles, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Corse, Dewey of Lee, Dewey of Fremont, Franklin, Goodfellow, Hall, Holmes of Jones, Kinert, Love, Lucas, McCullough, McCall, Meek Monroe, Moore, Preston, Poston, Ramsay, Russell, Shields, Samuels, Sargent, Smith of Jackson, Thurston, Tracy, Weatherington and Yeoman—37.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Browning, Baldwin, Brown, Cleaver, Coffin, Conkey, Connell, Creel, Creamer, Dorland, Edie, Fulton, Graham, Greenleaf, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Hinkle, Holmes of Linn, Hyde, Jackson, Johnson, Lockwood, Lyon, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, McCrory, McFarland, McKay, Mecham, Morgan, Needham, Neal, Neely, Newsom, Noble, Park, Pigman; Pritchard, Rogers, Rosser, Saunders, Schram, Smith of Cedar, Stephenson, Test, Tisdall, Turner, Udell, Vanfossin, Wilkinson, Workman, Wamsley, White, Williams, Witter, Young and Mr. President—61.

The motion was lost.

Mr. Shields moved that the joint convention do now adjourn, and upon this question, the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Birge, Bryan of Guthrie, Bryan of Warren, Bonson, Boyles, Clark, Coop, Corse, Dewey of Lee, Dewey of Fremont, Franklin, Goodfellow, Hall, Hinkle, Jackson, Love, Lucas, McCullough, Meek, Moore, Neal, Neely, Preston, Poston, Ramsay, Russell, Shields,

Samuels, Sargent, Thurston, Tracy, Udell, Weatherington, Yeoman and Mr. President—36.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Barker, Bigelow, Brown, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Coffin, Conkey, Connell, Creel Creamer, Dorland, Edie, Fulton, Graham, Greenleaf, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Holmes of Linn, Holmes of Jones, Hyde, Johnson, Kinert, Lockwood, Lyon, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, McCrory, McCall, McFarland, McKay, Mecham, Monroe, Morgan, Needham, Newsom, Noble, Park, Pigman, Pritchard, Rogers, Rosser, Saunders, Schram, Smith of Jackson, Smith of Cedar, Stephenson, Test, Tisdall, Turner, Vanfossin, Wilkinson, Workman, Wamsley, White, Williams, Witter and Young—62.

The motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. Russell,

The joint convention adjourned until the fifth day of January, A. D., 1855.

The Senate then retired to their chamber in the same order in which they had left it.

Mr. Coolbaugh asked leave of absence for Mr. McAchran, which was granted.

On motion of Mr. Test,

The resolution for an adjournment was taken from the table.

Mr. Hillis moved to amend the resolution, by striking out the words "January 2nd, A. D. 1855," and inserting, "the 26th inst."

And on this question, the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Birge, Browning, Clark, Cleaver, Hillis, Lucas McCullough, McCrary, Park, Preston, Schram, Wilkinson and Mr. President—13.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Bryan, Coolbaugh, Coop, Fulton, Hamilton, Hogan, Love, Matthews, McAchran, Needham, Ramsay, Saunders, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell and Workman—18.

The amendment was lost.

The question recurring on the original resolution, the yeas and nays were demanded, ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Browning, Bryan, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Hamilton, Hogan, Lucas, McAchran, Ramsay, Saunders, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell and Workman—18.

NAYS.—Messrs. Cleaver, Fulton, Hillis, Love, Matthews, McCullough, McCrary, Needham, Park, Preston, Schram, Wilkinson and Mr. President—13.

The resolution was adopted.

On motion,

Leave of absence was granted to the following Senators, to wit:

Messrs. Udell, Bryan, Coop, Saunders, Thurston, Ramsay and Schram.

Leave was refused Senators Preston and Test.

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until to-morrow morning, at 9 o'clock.

FRIDAY MORNING, DEC. 22nd, 1854.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr Preston presented the petition of R. Ricker, and 180 others, relating to the observance of the christian Sabbath, and,

On his motion,

The reading was dispensed with, and the petition referred to the committee on agriculture; also,

The petition of Hiram Bales, and one hundred and seventy others, on the subject of the traffic in ardent spirits, which was,

On his motion,

Referred to the select committee, to whom other petitions on the same subject, have been referred.

Mr. Test gave notice that he would on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, ask leave to present a memorial and joint resolution, asking increased mail facilities.

Mr. Schram gave notice, that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he would ask leave to introduce a bill for an act to regulate the terms of the Supreme Court.

Mr. Thurston gave notice that on to-morrow, or some day thereafter, he would ask leave to introduce a bill for an act to compel bankers to redeem all their issues which shall be presented at their counters

within sixty days from said issues.

The President laid before the Senate the report of the Hon. T. S. Wilson, required by section 1588, chapter 93, of the Code,

Which was read, and

On motion of Mr. Needham,

500 copies were ordered to be printed, and the report referred to the committee on the judiciary.

The following message was received from the House, by Mr. Fulton, Assistant Clerk.

MR. PRESIDENT.—I am directed to inform the Senate, that the House have concurred in Senate File No. 10, "a bill for an act authorizing the County Judge of Appanoose county to transcribe and index certain records."

Also, that they have passed joint resolution, No. 6, "a memorial for additional mail services in Muscatine, Washington, Keokuk and Mahaska counties," and ask the concurrence of the Senate therein.

A. R. FULTON, *Assistant Clerk House Rep.*

Mr. Schram, from the committeeon engrossed bills, reported Senate File No. 36, joint resolution, to pay over certain moneys, as correctly engrossed.

The joint resolution was then read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

Mr. Shields, on leave, introduced Senate File No. 37, joint resolution, for additional mail facilities,

Which was read a first and second times, and

On his motion, laid on the table.

Mr. Fulton gave notice that on to-morrow, or some future day, he would ask leave to introduce a bill for an act to amend sections 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477 and 478, of chapter 37, of the Code of Iowa.

Mr. Hamilton moved to reconsider the vote on laying Senate File No. 73.

Carried: and

On motion of Mr. Shields,

The 13th rule was suspended, and the resolution

Was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

On motion of Mr Needham,

The message from the House was taken up.

House of Representatives, File No. 6, memorial and joint resolution asking increased mail facilities,

Was read a first and second times, and,

On motion of Mr. Needham,

The 13th rule was suspended, and the memorial read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Bryan,

Senate File No. 33, a bill for an act to locate a State road from Adel in Dallas county, via Panora in Guthrie county, and Ballard's Bridge, in Audubon county, to Council Bluffs, in Pottawattamie county,

Was taken from the table, read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Mr. Matthews offered the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the committee on federal relations, to whom was referred sundry memorials for additional mail facilities, be required to report said memorials back to the Senate by ten o'clock to-morrow morning.

Mr. McCrary presented the petition of Catharine Shearin, for a release of land by the State of Iowa, and,

On his motion,

The reading was dispensed with, and the petition referred to the Senators from Van Buren county.

On motion of Mr. Schram,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Wilkinson.

On motion of Mr. Matthews, leave of absence was granted to Mr. Cleaver.

On motion of Mr. McCrary,

The Senate adjourned until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

TWO O'CLOCK P. M.

On motion, leave of absence was granted to the following gentlemen:

Senators Fulton and Hogan.

Mr. Hamilton, in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced

Senate File No. 38, a bill for an act to alter the boundaries of cer-

tain counties on the north line of the State, which was read a first and second times, and

On motion of Mr. Shields, referred to the committee on county boundaries.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Fulton, Assistant Clerk.

MR. PRESIDENT:—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has concurred in the following resolution of the Senate:

"*Resolved*, (the House 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."

The House has also concurred in the following resolution of the Senate:

Resolved, (the House concurring,) That the General Assembly adjourn Saturday, the 23d inst., until Tuesday, January 2nd, 1855.

I am also directed to inform the Senate that the House has concurred in Senate File No. 29—"An Act to amend an act to incorporate the town of Fort Madison, approved January 25th, 1848."

A. K. FULTON, *Assistant Clerk House Rep.*

Mr. Preston presented resolutions of instruction, passed by a free soil meeting held at Marion, in Linn county, which were read, and

On his motion,

Referred to the committee on federal relations.

On motion,

The message of the House was taken up.

The President appointed

Senators Preston and McCrary the committee on the part of the Senate, to act in conjunction with a similar committee on the part of the House, to visit, and report to the Legislature, the condition of the Penitentiary.

Mr. Udell, from the committee on federal relations,

Reported back Senate Files No. 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17 and 31, without amendment, and recommended their passage.

Senate Files No. 2, 3, 4, 7, 13, 15 and 31 were read a second time each.

On motion, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Senate Files No. 6, 12 and 17 were each read a second time, and

On motion, laid on the table subject to the order of the Senate.

Senate File No. 14 was read a second time, and

On motion of Mr. Matthews, the 13th rule was suspended, and the joint resolution read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

The President presented a communication from his Excellency the Governor, in answer to a resolution of the Senate, enquiring into the number and condition of the insane, and the deaf, dumb and blind in this State, with accompanying documents, which message was read, and,

On motion of Mr. Love, was ordered to be laid on the table and 2000 copies printed for the use of the General Assembly.

Mr. Matthews, from the committee on enrolled bills, reported

Senate File No. 10, an act authorizing the county Judge of Appanoose county to transcribe and index certain records, and to legalize the same.

And No. 29, an act to amend the charter of the town of Fort Madison, as correctly enrolled.

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY MORNING, Dec, 23d, 1854.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

There being no quorum present,

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until the second day of January, A, D., 1855, at 9 o'clock, A. M.

TUESDAY MORNING, Jan. 2d, 1855.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

There being no quorum,

On motion of Mr. Hamilton,

The Senate adjourned until two o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Mr. Coolbaugh presented the petition of Davis I. Crocker, and 89 others, citizens of Burlington, for a law in favor of a better observance of the Sabbath, which was read, and,

On motion,

Referred to the committee on agriculture.

Mr. Saunders presented the petition of J. T. Robertson, and 170 others, citizens of Henry county, on the subject of the manufacture and sale of ardent spirits, which,

On his motion,

Was referred to the select committee, to whom other petitions on the same subject have been referred.

Mr. Bryan presented the petition of E. Comstock, and 29 others, citizens of the counties of Sac and Calhoun, asking a consolidation of the two counties, and,

On his motion,

The reading of the same was dispensed with, and the petition referred to the committee on new counties.

Mr. Schram presented the petition of E. A. M. Swazey, and six others, citizens of Van Buren county, soliciting aid in procuring an appropriation for services rendered, and supplies furnished the United States Marshal, and,

On his motion,

The reading of the same was dispensed with, and the petition referred to the committee on federal relations.

Mr. Cleaver presented the petition of the friends of temperance in Toolsborough, on the subject of the traffic in ardent spirits, which,

On his motion,

Was referred to the select committee on that subject.

Mr. Love offered the following:

Resolved, That hereafter no gentleman shall address the Senate for longer time than fifteen minutes at any one time, and this rule shall be strictly enforced by the presiding officer. This rule shall apply both to the Senate in session, and to the committee of the whole.

Resolved, That the Senate will hereaft er, from time to time, hold evening sessions for the discussion of to pics of general interest, and that, at such evening sessions the above restriction of debate shall not be enforced.

Mr. Fulton moved,

That the resolutions be laid on the table. Which was lost.

Mr. Saunders moved,

To amend the fir t resolution by striking out the word "fifteen," and inserting the word "thirty,"

Which was lost.

When, on motion of Mr. Coolbaugh,

The further consideration of the resolutions was postponed until Tuesday the ninth inst.

Mr. Hamilton offered the following, which was adopted:

Rosolved, That the Secretary of State be instructed to furnish the Senate with the number of Notaries Public now in commission in the State.

Mr. Anderson gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he would ask leave to introduce a bill for an act for the location of a State road, commencing at Samuel Sheeks, in Appanoose county, and terminating at Bethlehem, in Wayne county.

Mr. Love gave notice of the introduction of the following bills:

1st. A bill providing for the holding of the District Court in Keokuk.

2nd. A bill for an act providing for the establishment of a Recorder's office in Keokuk.

3rd. A bill providing for the appointment of additional Notaries Public, and other purposes connected with the same.

4th. A bill for an act making further provision in relation to grand juries.

5th. A bill for an act to amend the act fixing the terms of holding courts in the first judicial district.

6th. A bill for an act to amend the provisions of the Code in relation to pleadings in civil courts.

7th. A bill for an act to prevent injury to creditors.

8th. A bill for an act to amend the law in relation to creditors.

Mr. Hamilton gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he would ask leave to introduce a bill for an act to amend an act granting compensation to school fund commissioners.

Also, a bill for an act to amend chapter 44 of the Code.

The President presented to the Senate a communication from the Attorney General in answer to a resolution of the Senate which was read, and,

On motion of Mr. Love,

Laid on the table, subject to the order of the Senate.

The President laid before the Senate the report of Thomas H. Benton, jr., late superintendent of public instruction, and

On motion of Mr. Thurston,

The reading was dispensed with, the report laid on the table and two thousand copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Senate.

Mr. Bryan gave notice of the introduction of the following bills:

A bill for an act to locate a State road from Panora, in Guthrie county, to Sargeant's Bluffs, in Woodbury county.

And a bill for an act to attach the county of Carrol to the county of Guthrie, for judicial election and revenue purposes.

The President presented to the Senate a communication from Major John G. Floyd, United States Agent, on the subject of the improvement of the rapids in the Mississippi river, which was read, and

On motion of Mr. Thurston,

Laid on the table, subject to the order of the Senate.

Mr. Workman, (leave being granted,) introduced,

Senate File, No 39, joint resolution relating to a certain lot of land in Iowa City, which was read a first and second times.

Mr. Love moved that the eleventh rule be suspended, and that the joint resolution be read a third time now,

Which was lost, and,

On motion of Mr. Workman,

It was referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Coolbaugh gave notice of the introduction of the following bills:

A bill for an act relating to the interest on city and county bonds.

Also, a bill for an act relating to special partnerships.

Mr. Fulton offered the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to examine the accounts of the Executive officers of the State.

The President appointed,

Senators Fulton, Ramsay, and Workman, said committee.

The President laid before the Senate the following report:

MR. PRESIDENT:—The Secretary, who was authorized to procure pens for the use of Senators and Secretaries, would report that he has discharged that duty, and the pens are now in his possession ready for distribution. B. P. RANKIN, *Sec'y of Senate.*

On motion of Mr. Schram,

The Senate adjourned until to-morrow morning, nine o'clock.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 3rd, 1855.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. McCrary presented the petition of Meshac Seigler and 37 others, citizens of Van Buren county, asking for the passage of a law authorizing the erection of a mill dam across Big Cedar creek,

Which was read, and on his motion, referred to the committee on county roads.

Mr. Udell presented the petition of W. C. Clark and 31 others, citizens of Iowa, on the subject of the manufacture and sale of ardent spirits,

Which, on his motion, was referred to the select committee on that subject.

Mr. Fulton presented the petition of James C. Starr and 37 others,

citizens of Iowa, on the subject of the manufacture and sale of ardent spirits, which was read, and

On his motion,

Referred to the select committee on that subject.

Mr. Fulton presented the memorial of G. W. Moore and S. S. Blackman, asking the passage of a law authorizing the condemnation of lands for mill and other purposes, which was read, and,

On his motion,

Referred to the committee on internal improvements.

Mr. Matthews gave notice of the introduction of the following bills:

For an act establishing a State road from Cedar Rapids, in Linn county, to Lyons, in Clinton county.

Also, for a State road from Davenport, in Scott county, via Elvira, in Clinton county, to Sabula, in Jackson county.

Also, for an act to extend the power of the Trustees of the State University.

Mr. Anderson offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee to whom the papers in the contested election case from the Polk district, be required to report forthwith.

Mr. Love moved that the resolution be laid upon the table.

On motion a call of the Senate was had, when it appeared that Senators Hillis, Shields and Test were absent.

On motion of Mr. Love,

Further proceedings under the call were suspended.

The yeas and nays being demanded on the question of laying the resolution on the table, were called, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Senators Birge, Browning, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Love, Lucas, McCullough, Preston, Ramsay, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—14.

NAYS.—Senators Anderson, Cleaver, Fulton, Hamilton, Hogan, Matthews, McAchran, McCrary, Needham, Park, Saunders, Schram and Wilkinson—13.

The resolution was laid on the table.

Mr. Coop gave notice of the introduction of the following bills:

For an act to amend the Code in relation to county courts.

Also, for an act to amend section 546 of the Code.

Mr. McCullough gave notice that on to-morrow, or some day thereafter, he would ask leave to introduce a bill for an act authorizing the

County Judge of Lee county to sell or otherwise dispose of the county poor farm.

Mr. Needham gave notice of the introduction of the following bills:

For an act for the incorporation of the town of Oskaloosa,

Also, a joint resolution asking for additional mail facilities.

Mr. Hamilton, on leave, in pursuance of notice, introduced Senate File No. 40, a bill for an act to amend chapter 44, of the Code,

Which was read a first and second times, and,

On his motion.

Referred to the committee on incorporations.

Mr. Hamilton, in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced Senate File No. 41, a bill for an act to amend an act granting compensation to School Fund Commissioners,

Which was read a first and second times, and,

On motion of Mr. McCullough,

Referred to the committee on schools.

Mr. Bryan, in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced Senate File No. 42, a bill for an act to attach the county of Carroll to the county of Guthrie for the judicial election and revenue purposes, which was read a first and second times, and

On his motion,

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

Mr. Hamilton, from the committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred Senate File No. 39, joint resolution relating to a certain lot of land in Iowa City, reported a substitute therefor.

Mr. Thurston moved that the bill and substitute be laid upon the table, which was lost.

The substitute was then adopted, and

On motion,

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

The President laid before the Senate the report of the Auditor of State, made in pursuance of a resolution of the Senate, with regard to the expense incurred by the State, in the location of the capitol at Monroe City, which was read, and

On motion,

Laid on the table, subject to the order of the Senate.

The President laid before the Senate a communication from the Secretary of State, in answer to a resolution of the Senate, with re-

gard to the number of Notaries Public now in commission in this State, which was read, and

On motion,

Laid on the table, subject to the order of the Senate.

Mr. Schram, in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced Senate File No. 43, a bill for an act to amend an act, entitled an act regulating the terms of the Supreme Court, which was read a first and second times, and

On his motion,

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Love, in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced the following bills:

Senate File No. 44, a bill for an act regulating the pleadings in courts of justice.

Senate File No. 45, a bill for an act to prevent injury to creditors.

Also, Senate File No. 46, a bill for an act making further provision in relation to executors of estates, which were each read a first and second times, and

On his motion,

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Hamilton, in pursuance of notice, on leave introduced Senate File No. 47, a bill for an act to establish a State land office.

Also, Senate File No. 48, a bill for an act selecting and disposing of swamp lands within the State of Iowa, which were each read a first and second times, and

On motion of Mr. Browning,

Ordered to be laid upon the table, and the usual number of copies printed for the use of the General Assembly.

Mr. Matthews, in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced Senate File No. 49, a bill for an act to incorporate the town of Lyons, which was read a first and second times, and

On his motion,

Referred to the committee on incorporations.

On motion of Mr. Bryan,

Senate File No. 28, a bill for an act to regulate grist mills and millers within the State of Iowa, was taken from the table, and the Senate resolved itself into committee of the whole for its consideration.

Mr. Needham in the chair,

And after some time spent therein, the committee rose and reported

the bill back to the Senate, with two amendments, which amendments were concurred in by the Senate, and the bill,

On motion,

Was referred to the committee on internal improvements.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Nourse, Chief Clerk.

MR. PRESIDENT:—I am directed to inform the Senate, that the House of Representatives has passed the following House and Senate Files, to wit:

Senate File No. 21, an act to amend an act to incorporate the city of Council Bluffs; also,

Senate File No. 25, an act defining a standard weight per bushel, for stone coal, also,

Senate File No. 26, an act to authorize the Governor of the State to adjust and close the 500,000 acre grant, also,

No. 7, joint resolution, House File, memorial to procure additional mail facilities, also,

No. 8, joint resolution, House File, memorial to establish certain mail routes, also,

House File No. 12, an act to encourage the killing of wolves.

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk House Rep.*

MR. PRESIDENT:—I am directed to inform the Senate, that the following bills have been passed by the House of Representatives:

House File No. 20, an act to erect school district No. 3, Cedar Township, Monroe county, also,

House File No. 29, an act to authorize an additional term of court in Scott county. CHAS. C. NOURSE, *Clerk House Rep.*

MR. PRESIDENT:—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives have ordered the printing of five thousand copies of the final report of Thomas H. Benton, jr., ex-Superidtendent of Public Instruction. CHAS. C. NOURSE, *Clerk House Rep.*

MR. PRESIDENT:—I herewith present, for your signature, House File No. 6, a memorial and joint resolution, asking for certain additional mail facilities, the same having passed both branches of the General Assembly, and been duly attested by the Speaker of the House.

CHAS. C. NOURSE, *Clerk House Rep.*

On motion of Mr. Udell, the Senate adjourned until two o'clock, this afternoon.

TWO O'CLOCK P. M.

The message from the House was taken up for consideration.

H. R. File, No. 12, a bill for an act to encourage the killing of wolves,

Was read a first and second times, and

On motion of Mr. Coop,

Referred to the committee on ways and means.

On motion of Mr. Matthews,

Senate File, No. 6, memorial and joint resolution for a grant of land to aid in constructing a railroad frum Lyons, on the Mississippi river, to Council Bluffs, on the Missouri river,

Was taken from the table and referred to the committee on internal improvements.

H. R. File No. 7, joint resolution to procure additional mail facilities,

Was read a first and second times, and

On motion of Mr. Needham,

Was referred to a select committee.

The President appointed Senators Needham, Bryan, Hogan, Saunders and Udell, said committee.

H. R. File No. 8, memorial and joint resolution to establish mail routes, &c.,

Was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

Ordered to a third reading on to-morrow.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Nourse, chief clerk :

MR. PRESIDENT:—I am directed to inform the Senate, that the House of Representatives have passed the following joint resolution and bill, in which they ask the concurrence of the Senate:

Joint Resolution House File, No. 3, asking additional mail facilities.

Also, House File, No. 44, a bill for an act to amend the charter of the city of Davenport.

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk H. R.*

H. R. File No. 29, a bill for an act to authorize an additional term of court in Scott county,

Was read a first and second times.

Mr. Fulton moved to amend the first section by striking out the word "first" in the fourth line, and inserting the word "second,"

Which amendment was adopted.

The bill was then ordered to be read a third time to-morrow.

H. R. File No. 20, a bill for an act to erect school district No. 3, in Cedar township, Monroe county,

Was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

Ordered to a third reading on to-morrow.

H. R. File No. 44, a bill for an act to amend the charter of the city of Davenport,

Was read a first and second times, and

On motion of Mr. Fulton,

Referred to a select committee.

The President appointed Senators Fulton, Coolbaugh, Wilkinson, McCrary, and Thurston, said committee.

H. R. File No. 3, joint resolution to procure additional mail facilities,

Was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

Ordered to a third reading on to-morrow.

MR. PRESIDENT:—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives have passed Senate File No. 36, joint resolution to pay over certain moneys, with the following amendments, to wit: after the words "General Assembly" in the third line, insert "of the State of Iowa," and in the fifth line after the words pay over "to the warden of the Iowa Penitentiary, to be applied in payment of debts contracted by Richard Quinton, former warden of the Penitentiary."

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk H. Rep.*

The Senate concurred in the amendments made by the House, to Senate File No. 36 joint resolution to pay over certain moneys.

Mr. Bryan offered the following :

Resolved, by the Senate, That the time has arrived when the public interests of the State of Iowa, imperatively demands that the seat of government of this State should be permanently established, so that the people may look to the same in projecting the railroad systems of the State ; and be it further

Resolved, That in as much as Iowa City is regarded by the people as the temporary and not the permanent seat of government, it is the duty of the General Assembly to pass an act providing for removing the Capitol of this State, and relocating the same at some more central point. BRYAN.

Mr. Fulton moved that the resolutions be laid on the table.

Lost.

The question being on the adoption of the resolutions, the yeas and nays were demanded, ordered, and were as follows :

YEAS.—Senators Anderson, Birge, Browning, Bryan, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Love, Lucas, McAchran, McCullough, McCrary, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, Thurston, Udell, Wilkinson, and Mr. President —18.

NAYS.—Senators Clark, Coop, Fulton, Hamilton, Hogan, Matthews, Needham, Preston and Workman—9.

The resolutions were adopted.

On motion of Mr. Preston,

The Senate resumed its session in committee of the whole, for the consideration of Senate file No. 5, and substitute therefor,

Mr. McAchran in the chair ;

And after some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted.

Mr. Cleaver gave notice that on to-morrow, or some day thereafter, he would ask leave to introduce a bill to amend section 4, chapter 76, of the laws approved January 22d, 1853.

Mr. Hamilton, on leave, presented the following :

The committee on charitable institutions beg leave to report as follows :

We, the committee aforesaid, have had the condition of the deaf and dumb, the blind and the insane residents of this State under our consideration, and beg leave to report that we consider the deaf and dumb and blind amongst us have a right for an education at the ex-

pense of the State. Apart from grounds of public policy, and taking only that of a common humanity, we think they have a right to demand an education, and we think the people of our State will cheerfully pay for an education for those among us who are thus mysteriously silent and blind. We beg, therefore, to report two bills, one of which makes the institution for the deaf and dumb a State institution, which it has not heretofore been, and the other alters, in some respects, the act now in existence for establishing a Blind Asylum. By the provisions of both of the bills now reported, the State assumes the whole burden of their education, assuming the ground that every one of these unfortunates, who is a citizen or resident of the State, has a right to demand that which he cannot have by a participation in the State provision for common schools. We have located these institutions at the Capital of the State. We think that no public buildings should be erected for them until that Capital becomes permanently and finally located, and that, in the meantime, the trustees of each will be able to accommodate them sufficiently by renting suitable buildings. Better accommodations, so as to separate and classify the pupils in both institutions, are greatly needed, and a larger workshop, and additional books and musical instruments, are greatly wanted for the blind. We also recommend that the trustees of the institution for the deaf and dumb should introduce the study of drawing and painting among the pupils. They are debarred the pleasure of music, and ought to have a substitute, and this is one in which they ordinarily take great delight. The committee have had all these improvements in view, in proposing the amount to be expended for the next two years, in the support of these unfortunate children of the State.

In reference to an Insane Asylum, we think that the necessities of the State demand the establishment of one immediately. We think that the objection that applies to locating the institution for the mute and the blind at present, by permanent buildings for their accommodation, do not exist as regards one for the insane. We suppose that one permanent building at the seat of government, wherever that may be ultimately placed, will accommodate all the blind of the State, and another all the deaf and dumb; and that the seat of government is the proper place for them. But as regards the insane, the experience of other States has shown that we shall ultimately

require two or three asylums for their accommodation, and we think the first one can be best located and built by a Board of Commissions, who in its location and structure will be guided by the present wants of the State, and by the experience of other States, particularly those Western States, who at great cost and labor have availed themselves of the latest improvements and lights of science elsewhere. For the outlay by the State in the structure, and endowments of these institutions, we look primarily to the proceeds of the swamp lands, believing that they will be amply sufficient, and at the same time being satisfied that any deficiency that may arise will be provided for by subsequent legislation.

W. W. HAMILTON, *Chairman pro tem.*

Senate File No. 50, bill for an act to establish an Insane Asylum.

Senate File No. 51, bill for an act to establish a State Institution for the Deaf and Dumb,

And Senate File No. 52, bill for an act to amend an act entitled an act for establishing an Asylum for the Blind,

Were each read a first and second times, and,

On motion of Mr. Hamilton,

Ordered to be laid on the table, and five hundred copies of each printed for the use of the General Assembly.

Mr. Bryan, on leave, presented the petition of A. E. Wright and 380 others, citizens of Hardin and Grundy counties, asking for an alteration of the county lines, and

On his motion,

The reading was dispensed with, and the petition referred to the committee on county boundaries.

Mr. Workman, on leave, presented the petition of A. T. Cross and 356 others, citizens of Iowa county, asking for the passage of an act to relocate the county seat of said county, and

On his motion,

The reading was dispensed with, and the petition referred to the committee on new counties.

Mr. McCrary, on leave, presented the petition of C. T. Gardner and 32 others, citizens of Iowa, on the subject of the manufacture and sale of ardent spirits, which,

On his motion,

Was referred to the select committee on that subject.

On motion of Mr. Schram,

The Senate adjourned until to-morrow morning, nine o'clock.

THURSDAY MORNING, JAN. 4, 1854.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. Test presented the petition of William H. Robinson and 14 others, citizens of Pottawattamie county, asking the passage of a law, requiring the Drainage Commissioner and county Judge of said county, to refund to the Council Bluffs and Nebraska Ferry Company, certain moneys,

Which was read, and,

On motion of Mr. Test,

Laid on the table.

Mr. Saunders presented the petition of the members of the Mount Pleasant High School and Female Seminary, on the subject of the manufacture and sale of ardent spirits, which,

On his motion,

Was referred to the select committee on that subject.

Mr. Anderson presented the petition of Daniel Winters and 25 others, for the establishment of a State road,

Which was,

On his motion,

Referred to the committee on roads.

Mr. Test presented the petition of McMahon and Williams, and 33 others, citizens of Pottawattamie county, asking for a repeal of the usury law,

Which was read, and,

On his motion,

Laid on the table.

Mr. Coolbaugh presented the memorial of the Iowa Historical and

Geological Institute for more full census returns, a Geological survey of the State, and an appropriation to the Institute, and

On his motion,

The reading was dispensed with, and the memorial referred to the committee on charitable institutions.

Mr. Hamilton presented the petition of H. H. Carpenter and 207 others, citizens of Blackhawk and Butler counties, asking that certain townships may be attached to Blackhawk county;

Also, the petition of H. H. Meredith and 190 others, citizens of the counties of Blackhawk, Hardin, Grundy and Butler, asking for a division of Grundy county, and that the same may be attached to, and made a part of, the counties of Blackhawk and Hardin, and,

On his motion,

The reading of the petitions was dispensed with, and they were referred to the committee on county boundaries.

Mr. Preston presented the petition of Thomas H. Wilson, and 9 others, citizens of Grundy county, asking that certain townships be attached to the county of Marshall, and,

On his motion,

The reading was dispensed with, and the petition referred to the committee on county boundaries.

Mr. Preston presented the petition of J. B. Hobbs and 75 others, citizens of Marshall county, for a State road from Marion to Lafayette in Marshall county,

Which,

On his motion,

Was laid on the table.

Mr. Birge, in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced Senate File No. 53, a bill for an act providing for the election of a county commissioner of roads, and defining his duties,

Which was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

Referred to the committee on roads.

Mr. Anderson gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he would ask leave to introduce a bill for an act to reduce the salaries of certain county officers in Monroe county.

Mr. Cleaver gave notice that on to-morrow, or some day thereafter, he would ask leave to introduce a joint resolution, asking Congress to

grant power to citizens of Iowa, to construct dams and bridges across the Cedar and Iowa rivers.

Mr. McCrary from the select committee to which was referred the petition of Catharine Shearin, reported Senate File No. 54, a bill for an act granting an escheat,

Which was read a first and second times, and,

On motion,

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Udell, from the committee on federal relations, to which was referred so much of the inaugural address of his Excellency the Governor, as relates to the subject of slavery, made a report, which was read.

Mr. Love moved that report be laid upon the table.

Mr. Hamilton moved to amend the motion by adding that one thousand copies be printed for the use of the Senate,

Upon which question the yeas and nays were demanded, ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Senators Anderson, Browning, Bryan, Clark, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Coop, Fulton, Hogan, Love, Lucas, Matthews, McAchran, McCullough, Needham, Park, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman, and Mr. President—22.

NAYS.—Senators Birge, McCrary, Preston, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram and Wilkinson—6.

The amendment was adopted and the printing ordered.

Mr. Schram, from the committee on engrossed bills, reported Senate Files No. 2, 3, 4, 7, 13, 15 and 31, as correctly engrossed.

Mr. Thurston, from the committee on county boundaries, reported Senate File No. 55, bill for an act to re-locate the seat of justice of Floyd county,

Which was read a first and second times.

Mr. Hamilton moved that the further consideration of the bill be indefinitely postponed.

And on this question the yeas and nays being demanded were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Senators Clark, Hamilton, Matthews, Preston and Workman—5.

NAYS.—Senators Anderson, Birge, Browning, Bryan, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Coop, Fulton, Hillis, Hogan, Love, Lucas, McAchran, McCul-

lough, McCrary, Needham, Park, Ramsey, Saunders, Schram, Test, Thurston, Udell, Wilkinson and Mr. President—25.

The motion was lost.

Mr. Needham moved that the bill be laid upon the table. Lost.

The question being on engrossing and reading the bill a third time to-morrow, was lost.

On motion of Mr. Hamilton,

The vote just taken on engrossing and reading a third time, was reconsidered, and the bill was laid upon the table.

Mr. Thurston, in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced Senate File No. 56, a bill for an act supplemental to chapter 89 of the Code,

Which was read a first and second times, and,

On his motion, referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Also, Senate File No. 57, a bill for an act to consolidate the counties of Sac and Calhoun,

Which was read a first and second times, and,

On motion,

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

Mr. Love, from the committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred Senate File No. 22, bill for an act authorizing mill dams, reported the same back without amendment, and recommended its passage.

On motion of Mr. Hamilton,

The bill was referred to a select committee.

The President appointed Senators Hamilton, Coop, Saunders, Test and Hillis said committee.

Mr. Love, from the committee on the judiciary, reported back Senate File No. 45, a bill for an act to prevent injury to creditors, with a recommendation that it pass, and,

On motion

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Mr. Love from the committee on the judiciary, reported back Senate file No. 46, a bill for an act making further provisions in relation to executors of estates, recommending its passage.

The bill was then ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Senate File No. 2, joint resolution asking Congress for additional mail facilities.

Senate File No. 3, joint resolution asking Congress for additional mail facilities.

Senate file No. 4, joint resolution asking aid of Congress to improve the Rock Island and Des Moines Rapids of the Mississippi river.

Senate File No. 13, memorial for mail service on routes No. —— from Fort Madison to Farmington, &c.

Senate File No. 15, joint resolution for additional mail facilities.

Senate File No. 31, joint resolution for increased mail facilities.

Substitute for Senate File No. 39, joint resolution in relation to a certain lot of land in Iowa city.

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,

Were each read a third time, passed and the title of each agreed to.

Senate File No. 7, joint resolution asking Congress for additional mail facilities, being on its third reading, was,

On motion.

Laid on the table.

H. R. File No. 3, joint resolution to procure additional mail facilities, was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

H. R. File No. 8, memorial and joint resolution to establish mail routes, &c.

H. R. File No. 20, a bill for an act to erect School District No. 3, in Cedar township, Monroe county,

H. R. File No. 29, a bill for an act to authorize an additional term of court in Scott county,

Were each read a third time, passed, and the title of each agreed to.

On motion of Mr. McAchran,

The resolution requiring the committee on elections to report forthwith, in the case of the contested election from the Polk District, was taken from the table.

On motion,

A call of the Senate was had.

Mr. Shields was absent.

On motion of Mr. Anderson,

Mr. Shields was excused from attendance.

On motion of Mr. Love,

Further proceedings under the call were dispensed with.

Mr. Love moved to amend the resolution by striking out the word "forthwith," and inserting at two o'clock, P. M.

Which amendment was accepted, and the resolution adopted.

On motion of Mr. Anderson,

The Senate adjourned until two o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK P. M.

Mr. Test, from the committee on elections, to whom was referred the papers in the contested election from the Polk District, made the following majority report:

The committee on elections, to whom was referred the contested case of James Jordon against Theophilus Bryan, respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration. The evidence adduced in the case shows that James Jordon received at the August election, A. D. 1854, for the office of State Senator, 1356 votes, and that Theophilus Bryan received at the same election, and for the same office, 1316 votes. In the county of Jasper, two townships, viz: Des Moines and Poweshiek, were rejected by the board of canvassers because the affidavit of one of the clerks in each township was not subscribed by him, neither was the name of the clerk in body of the affidavit. The evidence, however, shows that the clerks were sworn. The notice of James Jordon to take depositions in his case, does not state between what hours the depositions will be taken, nor does the certificate show between what hours it was taken. The committee recommend the passage of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the subject be referred to the judiciary committee.

JAMES D. TEST, *Chairman.*

Mr. Needham, from the same committee, made the following minority report in said contested election case:

The undersigned, a minority of the committee on elections, to whom was referred the papers in the contested case of James Jordon against Theophilus Bryan, respectfully beg leave to submit the following:

They have examined the depositions and evidence submitted to them, and find that James Jordon received 1356 votes for the office

of State Senator, and that Theophilus Bryan received 1316 votes for the same office. They find further that the poll books of Des Moines and Poweshiek townships, in Jasper county, were excluded by the board of canvassers, for the reason that the affidavit of one of the clerks of election in said townships was not subscribed by him, nor was his name found in the body of the affidavit. The evidence, however, clearly shows that said clerks were duly sworn according to law. Your committee would therefore recommend the adoption of the following:

Resolved, That James Jordon, having received a majority of all the votes cast, is entitled to the seat now filled by T. Bryan.

Respectfully submitted. JNO. R. NEEDHAM,
A. SAUNDERS.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Nourse, Chief Clerk:

MR. PRESIDENT—I herewith present for your signature, House File No. 9, an act appointing commissioners to locate the county seat of Ringgold county, which has duly passed both branches of the General Assembly, and been duly signed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk H. Rep.*

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

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. 49, an act to locate a State road from Charlestown to Keokuk, in Lee county.

Also, joint resolution House File No. 9, memorial to procure additional mail facilities. CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk H. Rep.*

Mr. Test moved that the reports and all the papers connected therewith, be referred to the committee on the judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Anderson,

All the papers relating to the case, were read for the information of the Senate.

Mr. Preston moved to amend the resolution to refer by adding,

" that the committee be instructed to report by to-morrow morning, at nine o'clock.

On which question the yeas and nays were demanded, called, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Senators Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Love, McCullough, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—13.

NAYS.—Senators Anderson, Birge, Browning, Bryan, Cleaver, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Lucas, Matthews, McAchran, McCrary, Needham, Park, Saunders, Schram and Wilkinson—17.

The amendment was lost.

Mr. Preston moved that the Senate adjourn until to-morrow morning, nine o'clock.

Upon which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Senators Birge, Bryan, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Love, Lucas, McCullough, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President--16.

NAYS.—Senators Anderson, Browning, Cleaver, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Matthews, McAchran, McCrary, Needham, Park, Saunders, Schram and Wilkinson—15.

The motion was adopted.

And the Senate adjourned until to-morrow morning, at nine o'clock.

FRIDAY MORNING, JANUARY 5, 1855.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. Love presented the petition of E. C. Town, and 218 others inhabitants of Marion county, asking for the establishment of a new county, to be taken from the counties of Marion, Mahaska and Jasper, which was read, and

On his motion,

Referred to the committee on new counties.

Also, the petition of E. B. Carter, and 37 others, inhabitants of

Marion county, on the same subject, which was read, and

On his motion,

Referred to the same committee.

Mr. Love presented the petition of T. E. Botsford, and 47 others, citizens of Iowa, for a State road, which was read, and

On his motion,

Referred to the committee on roads.

Mr. Test presented the petition of F. Breeder, and 17 others, citizens of Cass county, asking that a portion of Pottawattamie county be attached to and made a part of Cass county, which was read, and

On his motion,

Referred to the committee on new counties.

Mr. Udell presented the claim of Daniel P. Sparks, school fund commissioner of Appanoose county, against the State, and

On his motion,

The reading was dispensed with, and it was referred to the committee on claims.

On motion of Mr. Love,

A committee of two was appointed to wait upon the House of Representatives, and inform them that the Senate were now ready to meet the House of Representatives in the Hall of the House, for the purpose of electing a United States Senator and three Judges of the Supreme Court for the State of Iowa.

The President appointed Senators Love and Saunders said committee.

A committee from the House was received, consisting of Messrs. Tracy, Bigelow and Rogers, and informed the Senate that the House were now ready to receive the Senate for the purpose of electing a United States Senator and Judges of the Supreme Court.

On motion of Mr. Shields,

The Senate, preceded by their President and Secretaries, repaired to the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The two brances of the Legislative Assembly having met in the Hall of the House, a call of the members was had, and Mr. Dewey, of Fremont, reported absent.

Mr. Dewey appearing,

On motion,

Further proceedings under the call were dispensed with.

The President stated the object of the convention, to wit: the elec-

tion of a United States Senator and three Supreme Judges for the State of Iowa.

Mr. Hyde nominated Ebenezer Cook, of Scott county.

The roll having been called by the Secretary, and all the members having voted, Mr. Workman, on the part of the tellers, announced that

James Harlan	received	46	votes.
Ebenezer Cook,	"	22	"
M. D. Browning	"	17	"
P. Gad Bryan,	"	6	"
Bernhart Henn,	"	4	"
Wm. McKay,	"	1	vote.
Richard Bonson	"	1	"
T. W. Claggett	"	1	"
T. H. Benton, Jr.	"	1	"

There being no choice, the convention proceeded to a seventh vote for Senator, which resulted as follows:

James Harlan	received	47	votes.
Ebenezer Cook	"	29	"
M. D. Browning	"	19	"
J. G Shields	"	2	"
W. A. Thurston	"	1	vote.
Wm. McKay	"	1	"

There being no choice,

Mr. Conkey moved that a further voting for Senator be suspended, and that the convention proceed to the election of Judges of the Supreme Court.

And on this question the yeas and nays were demanded, ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Baldwin, Brown, Conkey, Connell, Fulton, Goodfellow, Holmes of Linn, Hyde, Russel, Samuels, Smith of Jackson, Thurston, Workman and Mr. President—14.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Albright, Birge, Browning, Bryan of Warren, Bryan of Guthrie, Barker, Bigelow, Bonson, Boyles, Clark of Jackson, Clark of Marion, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Coop, Coffin, Corse Creel, Creamer, Damon, Dewey of Lee, Dewey of Fremont, Dorland, Edie, Fulton, Graham, Greenleaf, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Hall, Hinkle, Holmes of Jones, Jackson, Johnson, Kinert, Love, Lucas, Lockwood, Lyon, McCulloch, McCrary, Mathews, McAchron, McCro-

ry, McCall, McFarland, McKay, Mechem, Meek, Monroe, Moore, Morgan, Noble, Needham, Neel, Neely, Newsom, Park, Preston, Pigman, Poston, Pritchard, Rogers, Rosser, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, Shields, Sargent, Smith of Cedar, Stevenson, Test, Tisdale, Tracy, Turner, Udell, Vanfossen, Wilkinson, Wamsley, Weatherington, White, Williams, Witter, Yeoman and Young—85.

The motion was lost.

The convention then proceeded to the eighth vote for Senator, which resulted as follows:

James Harlan	received	47	votes.
M. D. Browning	"	35	"
Ebenezer Cook	"	14	"
Wm. McKay	"	1	vote.
T. H. Benton, Jr.	"	1	"
O. D. Tisdale	"	1	"

There being no choice,

Mr. Love moved that the joint convention now adjourn,

And upon this question the yeas and nays were demanded, ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Albright, Birge, Browning, Bryan of Warren, Bryan of Guthrie, Bonson, Boyles, Clark of Jackson, Clark of Marion, Coolbaugh, Coop, Corse, Damon, Dewey of Lee, Dewey of Fremont, Goodfellow, Hall, Hinkle, Jackson, Love, Lucas, McCullough, McCall, Meek, Monroe, Moore, Neal, Preston, Poston, Ramsay, Shields, Samuels, Sargent, Smith of Jackson, Test, Thurston, Tisdale, Tracy, Udell, Workman, Weatherington, Yeoman and Mr. President—43.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Baldwin, Barker, Bigelow, Brown, Cleaver, Coffin, Conkey, Connell, Creel, Creamer, Dorland, Edie, Fulton, Graham, Greenleaf, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Holmes of Linn, Holmes of Jones, Hyde, Johnson, Kinert, Lockwood, Lyon, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, McCrory, McFarland, McKay, Meachem, Morgan, Noble, Needham, Neely, Newsom, Park, Pigman, Pritchard, Rogers, Rosser, Russell, Saunders, Schram, Smith of Cedar, Stevenson, Turner, Vanfossin, Wilkinson, Wamsley, White, Williams, Witter and Young—56.

The motion was lost.

Mr. Anderson moved to reverse the order of business, and that the convention proceed to elect Judges of the Supreme Court.

Mr. Thurston called for a division of the question, the question being, Will the convention suspend a further voting for Senator?

The yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Baldwin, Barker, Bigelow, Brown, Cleaver, Coffin, Conkey, Connell, Creel, Creamer, Dorland, Edie, Fulton, Graham, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Holmes of Linn, Holmes of Jones, Hyde, Kinert, Lockwood, Lyon, McCrary, Matthews, McCrory, McFarland, McKay, Meachem, Morgan, Noble, Needham, Park, Pigman, Pritchard, Rogers, Rosser, Russell, Saunders, Schram, Smith of Cedar, Stevenson, Turner, Vanfossin, Wilkinson, Wamsley, White, Williams and Young—50.

NAYS.—Messrs. Albright, Birge, Browning, Bryan of Warren, Bryan of Guthrie, Bonson, Boyles, Clark of Jackson, Clark of Marion, Coolbaugh, Coop, Corse, Damon, Dewey of Lee, Dewey of Fremont, Goodfellow, Greenleaf, Hall, Hinkle, Jackson, Johnson, Love, Lucas, McCullough, McAchran, McCall, Meek, Monroe, Moore, Neal, Neely, Newsom, Preston, Poston, Ramsay, Shields, Samuels, Sargent, Smith of Jackson, Test, Thurston, Tisdale, Tracy, Udell, Workman, Weatherington, Witter, Yeoman and Mr. President—49.

The question was decided in the affirmative, and a further voting for Senator was suspended.

Mr. Shields moved that the convention adjourn until two o'clock, P. M.,

And upon this question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Birge, Browning, Bryan of Warren, Bryan of Guthrie, Boyles, Brown, Clark of Jackson, Clark of Marion, Coop, Damon, Dewey of Lee, Hinkle, Hyde, Jackson, Johnson, Lucas, McCullough, McAchran, McCall, Meek, Monroe, Moore, Neal, Neely, Newsom, Poston, Tisdale, Tracy, Udell, Workman, Weatherington, Yeoman and Mr. President—33.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Albright, Baldwin, Barker, Bigelow, Bonson, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Coffin, Conkey, Connell, Corse, Creel, Creamer, Dewey of Fremont, Dorland, Edie, Fulton, Goodfellow, Graham, Greenleaf, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Hall, Holmes of Linn, Holmes of Jones, Kinert, Love, Lockwood, Lyon, McCrary, Matthews, McCrory, McFarland, McKay, Meachem, Morgan, Noble, Needham, Park, Preston, Pigman, Pritchard, Rogers, Rosser, Russell,

Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, Shields, Samuels, Smith of Jackson, Sargent, Smith of Cedar, Stephenson, Test, Thurston, Turner, Vanfossin, Wilkinson, Wamsley, White, Williams, Witter and Young—66.

The motion was lost.

Mr. Conkey moved that the convention proceed to the election of Judges of the Supreme Court.

Upon which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Baldwin, Barker, Bigelow, Brown, Cleaver, Coffin, Conkey, Connell, Creel, Creamer, Dorland, Edie, Fulton, Graham, Greenleaf, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Holmes of Linn, Holmes of Jones, Hyde, Johnson, Kinert, Lockwood, Lyon, McCrary, Matthews, McAehran, McCrory, McFarland. McKay, Meachem, Morgan, Noble, Needham, Park, Pigman, Pritchard, Rogers, Rosser, Russell, Saunders, Schram, Smith of Cedar, Stephenson, Turner, Vanfossin, Wilkinson, Wamsley, White, Williams and Young—53.

NAYS.—Messrs, Albright, Birge, Browning, Bryan of Warren, Bryan of Guthrie, Bonson, Boyles, Clark of Jackson, Clark of Marion, Coolbaugh, Coop, Corse, Damon, Dewey of Lee, Dewey of Fremont, Goodfellow, Hall, Hinkle, Jackson, Love, Lucas, McCullough, McCall, Meek, Monroe, Moore, Neal, Neely, Newsom, Preston, Poston, Ramsay, Shields, Samuels, Sargent, Smith of Jackson, Test, Thurston, Tisdale, Tracy, Udell, Workman, Weatherington, Witter, Yeoman and Mr. President—46.

So the motion was adopted.

Mr. Bonson moved that the convention do now adjourn.

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Albright, Birge, Browning, Bryan of Warren, Bryan of Guthrie, Bonson, Boyles, Clark of Jackson, Clark of Marion, Coop, Corse, Damon, Dewey of Lee, Dewey of Fremont, Goodfellow, Hall, Hinkle, Jackson, Love, Lucas, McCullough, McCall, Meek, Monroe, Moore, Neal, Preston, Poston, Ramsay, Shields, Samuels, Sargent, Test, Thurston, Tisdale, Tracy, Udell, Workman, Witter, Weatherington, Yeoman and Mr. President—41.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Baldwin, Barker, Bigelow, Brown, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Coffin, Conkey, Connell, Creel, Creamer, Dorland, Edie, Fulton, Graham, Greenleaf, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan Holmes

of Linn, Holmes of Jones, Hyde, Johnson, Kinert, Lockwood, Lyon, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, McCrory, McFarland, McKay, Meachem, Morgan, Noble, Needham, Neely, Newsom, Park, Pigman, Pritchard, Rogers, Rosser, Russell, Saunders, Schram, Smith of Jackson, Smith of Cedar, Stephenson, Turner, Vanfossin, Wilkinson, Wamsley, White, Williams and Young—58.

The motion was lost.

Mr. Ramsay moved that the convention adjourn until two o'clock, P. M.

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Birge, Browning, Clark of Jackson, Clark of Marion, Coop, Conkey, Connell, Greenleaf, Holmes of Linn, Holmes of Jones, Hyde, Love, Lucas, McCullough, McAchran, McCrory, McCall, Meachem, Meek, Morgan, Newsom, Poston, Preston, Russell, Ramsay, Smith of Jackson. Tracy, Workman, Witter, Yeoman and Mr. President—31.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Albright, Bryan of Warren, Bryan of Guthrie, Baldwin, Barker, Bigelow, Bonson, Boyles, Brown, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Coffin, Corse, Creel, Creamer, Damon, Dewey of Lee, Dewey of Fremont, Dorland, Edie, Fulton, Goodfellow, Graham, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Hall, Hinkle, Jackson, Johnson, Kinert, Lockwood, Lyon, McCrary Matthews, McFarland, McKay, Monroe, Moore, Noble, Needham, Neal, Neely, Park, Pigman, Prichard, Rogers, Rosser, Saunders, Schram, Shields, Samuels, Sargent, Smith of Cedar, Stephenson, Test, Thurston, Tisdale, Turner, Udell, Vanfossen, Wilkinson, Wamsley, Weatherington, White, Williams and Young —68.

So the motion was lost.

Mr. Corse moved a call of the convention, which was had, and the members all being present, further proceedings under the call was suspended.

Mr. Ramsay moved to adjourn until 2 o'clock P. M.,

On which question, the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Bryan of Guthrie, Barker, Bigelow, Brown, Olark of Jackson, Clark of Marion, Cleaver, Coffin, Conkey, Connel, Dorland, Edie, Fulton, Graham, Greanleaf, Hamilton, Hogan, Holmes of Linn, Holmes of Jones, Hyde, Jackson, Lockwood,

Lyon, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, McCrory, McFarland, Mechem. Monroe, Morgan, Noble, Pigman, Pritchard, Rogers, Rosser, Russel, Ramsay, Schram, Smith of Jackson, Smith of Cedar, Stephenson, Turner, Vanfossen, Workman, Wamsley, White, Williams, Witter, Young and Mr. President—52.

NAYS.—Messrs. Albright, Browning, Bryan of Warren, Baldwin, Bonson, Boyles, Coolbaugh, Coop, Corse, Creel, Creamer, Damon, Dewey of Lee, Dewey of Fremont, Goodfellow, Hillis, Hall, Hinkle, Johnson, Kinert, Love, Lucas, Lockwood, McCulloch, McCall, McKay, Meek, Monroe, Needham, Neal, Neely, Newsom, Park, Preston, Poston, Saunders, Shields, Samuels, Sargent, Test, Thurston, Tisdale, Tracy, Udell, Wilkinson, Weatherington and Yeoman—47.

So the motion was decided in the affirmative, and the convention adjourned until 2 o'clock P. M.

The Senate, in order, then returned to the Senate Chamber, when

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until 2 o'clock P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK P. M.

On motion,

The President appointed Messrs. Coolbaugh and Hillis, a committee to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate were now ready to proceed to the Hall of the House, for the purpose of electing a United States Senator and Judges of the Supreme Court.

Messrs. Williams, Walmsley, and Dewey, of Lee, a committee from the House of Representatives were announced, and informed the Senate that the House of Representatives were in readiness to receive the Senate. for the purpose of electing a Senator and Judges of the Supreme Court.

The Senate, preceded by their President and Secretaries, proceeded to the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The two branches of the General Assembly having met in the Hall of the House, a call of the members was had,

And Messrs. Neal and Neely were reported absent.

The absentees appearing, the further proceedings under the call were suspended.

Mr. Test moved to go into the election of assistant Judges, and upon this motion the yeas and nays were called for, ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Albright, Birge, Browning, Bryan of Warren, Bryan of Guthrie, Bonson, Boyles, Clark of Jackson, Clark of Marion Coolbaugh, Coop, Corse, Damon, Dewey of Fremont, Dewey of Lee, Goodfellow, Hall, Hinkle, Jackson, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McAchran, McCall, Meek, Monroe, Moore, Neal, Neely, Newsom, Preston, Poston, Ramsey, Shields, Samuels, Sargent, Smith of Jackson, Thurston, Test, Tisdale, Tracy, Udell, Workman, Weatherington, Witter, Yeoman and Mr. President—47.

NAYS—Messrs. Anderson, Baldwin, Barker, Bigelow, Brown, Cleaver, Coffin, Conkey, Connell, Creel, Cremer, Dorland, Edie, Fulton Graham, Greenleaf, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Holmes, of Linn Hyde, Holmes of Jones, Kinert, Lockwood, Lyon, McCrary, Matthews, McCrory, McFarland, McKay, Mechem, Morgan, Noble, Needham, Park, Pigman, Prichard, Rogers, Rosser, Russell, Saunders, Schram, Smith of Cedar, Stephenson, Turner, Vanfossin, Wilkinson, Wamsley, White, Williams and Young—52.

So the motion was lost.

The Convention proceeded to vote for Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, with the following result:

Edward Johnston received	45	votes.
George G. Wright "	53	"
Henry W. Starr "	1	"

Whereupon,

George G. Wright having received a majority of all the votes cast, the President announced that George G. Wright was duly elected Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of Iowa.

And the following certificate, in duplicate, was made and signed in the presence of both branches of the General Assembly:

Hall of the House of Representatives of the State of Iowa,
January 5th, 1855.

This will certify, that at an election of the 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.

M. L. FISHER,
President Joint Convention.

Attest: SAMUEL WORKMAN, ——— KINERT, } Tellers.

The Convention then proceeded to the election of an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, with the following result:

William G. Woodward	received	51	votes.
James Grant	"	16	"
Henry W. Starr	"	7	"
J. C. Hall	"	5	"
J. C. Neal	"	8	"
J. D. Test	"	7	"
J. M. Love	"	2	"
George Greene	"	1	"
Clinton	"	1	"

Whereupon,

William G. Woodward having received a majority of all the votes cast, the President announced that William G. Woodward was duly elected an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court.

And the following certificate, in duplicate, was made and signed in the presence of both branches of the General Assembly:

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 an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of Iowa.

M. L. FISHER,
President Joint Convention.

Attest: SAMUEL WORKMAN, KINERT, *Tellers.*

The Convention then proceeded to the election of a second Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, with the following result:

N. W. Isbell	received	46	votes.
James M. Love	"	21	"
J. C. Neal,	"	13	"
D. F. Spurr	"	8	"
George Greene	"	4	"
T. Davis	"	2	"
C. W. Slagle	"	2	"
M. H. Jones	"	1	"
H. W. Starr	"	1	"
H. Dunlavy	"	1	"

There being no choice, the Convention proceeded to a second vote for Associate Justice, with the following result:

N W. Isbell received	47	votes.
D. F. Spurr "	41	"
B. M. Samuels "	3	"
P. Gad Bryan "	2	"
J. C. Neal "	1	"
Wm. Dewey "	1	"
G. Folsom "	1	"
W. Penn Clark "	1	"
C. W. Slagle "	1	"
George Greene "	1	"

There being no choice, the Convention proceeded to a third vote for Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, with the following result:

D. F. Spurr received	47	votes.
N. W. Isbell "	46	"
P. Gad Bryan "	3	"
D. S. Wilson "	1	"
A. Harris "	1	"
Geo. Greene "	1	"

There being no choice, the Convention proceeded to a fourth vote for Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, with the following result:

D. F. Spurr received	48	votes.
N. W. Isbell "	47	"
D. S. Wilson "	2	"
Lincoln Clark "	1	"
George Greene "	1	"

There being no choice, the Convention proceeded to a fifth vote for Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, with the following result:

N. W. Isbell received	46	votes.
D. F. Spurr "	45	"
T. S. Wilson "	1	"
D. S. Wilson "	1	"
Wm. Smith "	1	"
W. A. Thurston "	1	"
B. M. Samuels "	1	"
J. M. Preston "	1	"
True "	1	"
Geo. Greene "	1	"

There being no choice,

Mr. White moved to adjourn till 10 o'clock to-morrow, upon which motion the yeas and nays were called, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Baldwin, Barker, Bigelow, Brown, Cleaver, Coffin, Conkey, Connell, Creel, Creamer, Dorland, Edie, Graham, Greenleaf, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Holmes of Linn, Hyde, Kinert, Lockwood, Lyon, McCrorey, Matthews, McAchran, McCrarey, MCall, McFarland, Mechem, Morgan, Noble, Needham, Park, Pigman, Rogers, Rosser, Saunders, Schram, Smith of Cedar, Stephenson, Turner, Vanfossin, Wilkinson, Wamsley, White, Williams, Young—48.

NAYS.—Messrs. Albright, Birge, Browning, Bryan of Warren, Bryan of Guthrie, Bonson, Boyles, Clark of Jackson, Clark of Marion, Coolbaugh, Coop, Corse, Damon, Dewey of Lee, Dewey of Fremont, Fulton, Goodfellow, Hall, Hinkle, Holmes of Jones, Jackson, Johnson, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McKay, Meek, Monroe, Moore, Neal, Neeley, Newsom, Preston, Poston, Prichard, Russel, Ramsey, Shields, Samuels, Sargent, Smith of Jackson, Test, Thurston, Tisdale, Tracey, Udell, Workman, Weatherington, Witter, Yeoman, Mr. President—51.

The motion was lost.

The Convention then proceeded to a sixth vote for Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, with the following result:

N. W. Isbell	received	46	votes.
D. F. Spurr	"	31	"
P. B. Bradley	"	7	"
G. Nightingale	"	4	"
Sears	"	3	"
Boyles	"	2	"
Geo. Greene	"	2	"
C. W. Slagle	"	1	"
H. B. Hendershott	"	1	"
J. M. Love	"	1	"
T. S. Wilson	"	1	"

There being no choice,

Mr. Anderson moved to adjourn till to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock, and upon this motion the yeas and nays were demanded, and being ordered, were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Bryan of Warren, Bryan of Guthrie, Baldwin, Barker, Bigelow, Brown, Cleaver, Coffin, Conkey, Connell, Creel, Creamer, Dorland, Edie, Graham, Greenleaf, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan,

Holmes of Linn, Holmes of Jones, Hyde, Jackson, Kinert, Lockwood, Lyon, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, McCrory, McCall, McFarland, McKay, Mechem, Morgan, Noble, Needham, Neeley, Park, Pigman, Rogers, Rosser, Russell, Schram, Smith of Cedar, Stephenson, Tisdale, Turner, Vanfossin, Wilkinson, Workman, Wamsley, White, Williams, Witter, Young and Mr. President—59.

NAYS.—Messrs. Albright, Birge, Browning, Bonson, Boyles, Clark of Jackson, Clark of Marion, Coolbaugh, Coop, Corse, Damon, Dewey of Lee, Dewey of Fremont, Goodfellow, Hall, Hinkle, Johnson, Love, Lucas, McCullough, Meek, Monroe, Moore, Neal, Newsom, Preston, Poston, Ramsey, Saunders, Shields, Samuels, Sargent, Smith of Jackson, Test, Thurston, Tracy, Udell, Weatherington and Yeoman—40.

The motion to adjourn was carried.

The Senate, in order, then retired to their chamber, when

On motion of Mr. Love,

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

SATURDAY MORNING, JAN. 6, 1855.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the chaplain.

On motion,

The reading of the journal was dispensed with.

Mr. Preston moved that the Senate adjourn until Monday morning at 9 o'clock, upon which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered and were as follows:

YEAS.—Senators Birge, Bryan, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, Preston, Ramsey, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—16.

NAYS.—Senators Anderson, Browning, Cleaver, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Matthews, McAchran, McCrary, Needham, Park, Saunders, Schram and Wilkinson—15.

The question was decided in the affirmative, and the Senate adjourned.

MONDAY MORNING, JAN. 8th, 1855.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain,

Mr. Hamilton presented the remonstrance of G. W. Miller, and 232 others, voters of Blackhawk county, against any alteration of the boundary lines of said county,

Also, the remonstrance of G. W. Thompson and 149 others, voters in Blackhawk county, on the same subject.

Which were read, and on his motion referred to the committee on county bonndaries.

Mr. Hogan presented the petition of O. P. Sherraden and 42 others, citizens of the State of Iowa, asking for the passage of an act to restrain bucks from running at large, and,

On his motion the reading was dispensed with, and the petition referred to the committee on agriculture.

Mr. Saunders presented the petition of A. M. Tool, and 11 others, citizens of Iowa, asking for the location of the Capitol at Monroe City.

Which was, on his motion,

Referred to the committee on public buildings, with instructions to report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Test presented the petition of W. B. Thompson and 43 others, citizens of Woodbury county, asking for the location of a State road from Fort Dodge to the mouth of the Big Sioux; which was,

On his motion,

Referred to the committee on roads.

Also, the petition of E. W. Buckwalter and 34 others, citizens of Cass county, asking that certain townships be attached to and made a part of said county, which,

On his motion,

Was referred to the committee on county boundaries.

Also, the petition of E. W. Buckwalter and 81 others, citizens of Cass county, asking for a relocation of the county seat of said county,

Which was read; and,

On his motion,

Referred to a select committee.

The President appointed Senators Test, Hogan, Bryan, McCrary, and Lucas, said committee.

Mr. Ramsay presented three petitions signed by Lewis Dwight and 311 others, citizens of Iowa, asking aid for the Ashland Seminary; and,

On his motion,

The reading was dispensed with, and the petitions referred to a select committee.

The President appointed Senators Ramsay, Saunders, Workman, Park and Birge, said committee.

Mr. Needham presented the petition of James Edgar and 20 others, citizens of Mahaska county, on the same subject, which,

On his motion,

Was referred to the same committee.

Mr. Fulton presented the petition of D. N. Holmes and 197 others, citizens of Scott county, asking the passage of a law, for the better observance of the Sabbath; which was read, and

On his motion, referred to the committee on agriculture.

Mr. Saunders, on leave, introduced Senate file No. 58, joint resolution for increased mail facilities,

Which was read a first and second times; and,

On his motion,

Referred to the committee on federal relations.

Mr. Hamilton gave notice of the introduction of the following bills:

To amend chapter 79 of the code in relation to the mode of acknowledging the execution of deeds when executed, out of the State.

Also, for an act defining the mode of certifying to the acknowledgments of deeds or conveyances of lands in this State, when executed in foreign countries.

Mr. Thurston gave notice that he would on to-morrow, or some day thereafter, ask leave to introduce,

A bill for an act to regulate the issue of county and corporation bonds.

Mr. Shields gave notice that he would on to-morrow, or some day thereafter, ask leave to introduce,

A bill for an act to reduce the expense of transmitting the funds of the State from the different counties to the State treasury.

Mr. Anderson gave notice that on to-morrow or some subsequent day, he would ask leave to introduce

A bill for an act to amend chapter 15 of the code.

Mr. Saunders gave notice that on to-morrow or some subsequent day, he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the law now in force in regard to mechanics' liens.

Also, a bill for an act to amend the law in relation to tax titles.

Mr. Coop gave notice that he would on to-morrow or some day thereafter, ask leave to introduce

A bill for an act prohibiting certain male stock from running at large.

Mr. Mathews in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced Senate file No. 59,

An act to increase the power of the Trustees of the State University of Iowa,

Which was read a first and second times; and

On his motion,

Referred to a select committee.

The President appointed Senators Matthews, Preston, Clark, Cleaver and Hogan said committee.

Mr. Thurston in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced Senate file No. 60,

Joint resolution asking Congress for the reduction of the duties on rail road iron,

Which was read a first and second times; and,

On his motion,

Referred to the committee on federal relations.

Mr. Ramsey in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced Senate file No. 61.

A bill for an act to repeal chapter 76 of the code of Iowa.

Which was read a first and second times; and,

On his motion,

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Thurston in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced,

Senate file No. 62,

Joint Resolution asking for a grant of land from Congress for homesteads.

Which was read a first and second times; and,

On his motion,

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

Mr. Workman gave notice that he would on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, ask leave to introduce

A bill for an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate Iowa City.

Mr. Workman offered the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to investigate the condition of the books of the Trustees of the State University, and also, the books of the Treasurer, who is disbursing agent of said fund, with instructions to report to this body, at as early a period as practicable.

The President appointed Senators Workman, Fulton and Ramsay, said committee.

Mr. Shields in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced

Senate file No. 63,

A bill for an act to amend chapter 62 of the code, in relation to assignments for creditors,

Which was read a first and second times; and,

On motion of Mr. Love,

Ordered to be laid upon the table and the usual number of copies printed for the use of the General Assembly.

Mr. McCullough in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced

Senate file No. 64,

A bill for an act to authorize the County Judge, of Lee county, Iowa, to sell, or otherwise dispose of the county or poor farm in said county,

Was read a first and second times; and,

On motion of Mr. Thurston, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Mr. Love, on leave, introduced,

Senate file No. 65,

A bill for an act providing a room for the holding of the Supreme Court,

Which was read a first and second times; and,

On his motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill read a third time, passed and its title agreed to.

Mr. Love in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced

Senate file No. 66,

A bill for an act changing the time for holding the courts in the First Judicial District,

Which was read a first and second times; and,

On his motion,

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Cleaver in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced

Senate file No. 67,

A bill to amend an act granting to certain officers therein named, a copy of the code and laws of the State of Iowa.

Which was read; and,

On his motion,

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Coop in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced

Senate file No. 71,

A bill for an act to amend chapter 38 of the code,

Which was read a first and second times; and,

On motion,

Referred to the committee on roads.

Mr. Test gave notice that he would on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, ask leave to introduce

A bill creating the office of District Attorney General.

Mr. Schram, from the committee on engrossed bills, reported Senate files Nos. 45, 46 and 57, as correctly engrossed.

Mr. Udell, from the committee on federal relations, reported Senate file No. 68,

Joint resolution to Congress to reduce ocean postage,

Which was read a first and second times; and,

On motion of Mr. Coop,

The eleventh rule was suspended, the joint resolution read a third time, passed and its title agreed to.

Mr. Matthews, from the committee on enrolled bills, reported Senate file No. 21,

A bill for an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Council Bluffs, as correctly enrolled.

Mr. Udell, from the committee on federal relations, made the following report, which was accepted:

The committee to whom was referred the proceedings of a meeting of free soilers or free democrats, of the county of Linn, have examined the report of the proceedings of said meeting, and find that they purport to instruct their Senator and Representatives, in the State Legislature, and believing that we, as a committee, have no right to interfere between a constituency, and their Representative, report the same back to the Senate without recommendation.

N. UDELL, *Chairman.*

Mr. Workman, from the committee on new counties, to whom was referred Senate File No. 30, a bill for an act to authorize township trustees to levy and collect so much tax as shall be sufficient to pay all claims against said townships at the taking effect of the Code, reported the same back without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Preston,

The further consideration of the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Workman, from the committee on new counties, reported back H. R. File No. 6, a bill for an act for the location of the county seat of Union county, with two amendments, which were concured in by the Senate, and the bill ordered to be read a third time to-morrow.

Mr. Coolbaugh offered the following:

Whereas, It is reported that the Journal of the House of Representatives, as read this morning in the presence of the House, alleges that a joint convention of the General Assembly of this State was held in the Hall of the House, on Saturday, the 6th inst., and whereas it is alledged in said Journal, that said joint convention proceeded to elect one Norman W. Isbell as an Associate Judge of the Supreme Court of this State, and one James Harlan as a Senator of the United States, for the term of six years from the fourth day March next, therefore,

Resolved, That inasmuch as the Senate has no knowledge of any such joint convention, and did not participate in the proceedings, therefore, it hereby *protests* against the action of the said so-called joint convention, and declares the same to be void, and of no effect.

Resolved, That a copy of this preamble and resolution be signed by the President and certified to by the Secretary of Senate, be presented to the Governor of this State, and also, a copy forwarded to the presiding officer of the Senate of the United States, with a request to lay the same before that body. Upon the adoption of which, the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered and were as follows:

YEAS.—Senators Birge, Browning, Bryan, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Love, Lucas, McCullough, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President.—17.

NAYS.—Senators Anderson, Cleaver, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Matthews, McAchran, McCrary, Needham, Park, Saunders, Schram and Wilkinson—14.

The preamble and resolutions were adopted.

Mr. McAchran, from the committee on claims, to which was referred the account of J. Brown, for services in locating capitol, reported the facts of the case without recommendation, which report,

On motion,

Was laid on the table.

Mr. Schram, from the minority of said committee, reported Senate file No. 69, a joint resolution relative to the claim of John Brown as commissioner to locate the permanent seat of Government, which was read a first and second times, and

On motion of Mr. Shields,

Laid on the table.

Mr. Fulton, from the select committee, to whom was referred H. R. File No. 44, a bill for an act to amend the charter of the city of Davenport, reported a substitute therefor, which was adopted.

Mr. Fulton moved the suspension of the 11th rule, and that the bill be read a third time now.

Upon which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Senators Anderson, Birge, Browning, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Fulton, Hamilton, Hogan, Love Lucas, McAchran, McCullough, McCrary, Park, Preston, Saunders, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Wilkinson, Workman and Mr. President—23.

NAYS.—Senators Bryan, Clark, Coop, Hillis, Matthews, Needham, Ramsey and Schram.—8.

The Rule was suspended, and the substitute was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

The following Message was received form the House of Representatives by Mr Nourse, Chief Clerk.

Mr. PRESIDENT:—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives have passed the following bills, in which they ask the concurrence of the Senate:

House File No. 39, an act instructing the Warden of the Penitentiary: also,

House File No. 43, an act to amend an act to incorporate and establish the City of Dubuque, approved Feb. 24, 1847.

CHARLES W. NOURSE,
Clerk of the House of Rep.

Mr. McAchran, from the committee on claims, presented the following:

The committee on claims, to whom was referred the claim of J. C. Knapp for services as attorney in a suit in the Supreme Court, (being employed by the Auditor of State to prosecute said suit,) wherein the commissioners of Jefferson county were plaintiffs and Anson Ford and others were defendants, have examined said claim, and finding it correct recommend that the same be allowed, which report was,

On motion,

Laid on the table.

Mr. Udell, from the committee on federal relations, reported Senate File No. 70, joint resolution to Congress, asking an appropropriation for services rendered and supplies furnished the United States Marshal, which was read a first and second times, and,

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the joint resolution read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Mr. Shields, on leave, presented Senate File No. 72, memorial and joint rosolution, asking Congress to grant to the State of Iowa the pre-emption of certain lands within said State, for the purpose of aiding in the construction of certain Railroads herein named,

Which was read a first and second times, and

On motion, referred to a select committee of three.

The President appointed Senators Shields, Saunders and Clark, said committee.

Mr. Workman presented the claim of E. C. Lyon against the State,

Which was, on his motion, referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. McAchran, on leave, presented the following:

The committee on claims, to whom was referred the claim of Finkbim & Lovelace, for table and case of pigeon boxes for the use of the Senate, have examined the same, and finding the bill correct, recommend that the same be allowed.

McACHRAN, *Chairman.*

Which was adopted and the claim allowed.

Also the following: The committee on claims, to whom was referred the claim of James Cavanaugh, for extra services as agent in selecting the 500,000 acres of land, have examined said claim, and finding it correct, recommend that the same be allowed.

Which was accepted and the claim allowed.

Mr. Needham, from the select committee to whom was referred

H. R. File, No. 7, joint resolution to procure additional mail facilities, reported the same back without amendment, and recommended its passage, and

On his motion, it was ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

The President laid before the Senate the report of the Secretary of State, of the returns in criminal cases, and

On motion, the further reading was dispensed with.

Mr. Test moved that it be laid on the table, and 500 copies be printed for the use of the Senate.

Mr. Hamilton moved to strike out 500 and insert 2000, which was lost.

Mr. Saunders moved to print 1000 copies; lost, and

On motion of Mr. Browning,

The report was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Anderson,

The vote ordering H. R. File No. 6, an act to provide for the location of the seat of justice of Union county, was reconsidered.

The bill was then, on his motion, amended by striking out "The Albia Independent Press," and inserting Iowa Republican.

Mr. Ramsey moved to amend by striking out the names of Samuel Larimer and Harvey Dunlavy, and inserting Adam Miles and O. N. Kellogg, which was lost.

The bill was then read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Preston,

The vote on the passage of H. R. File No. 44 was reconsidered, and on his motion, the bill was referred to the committee on incorporations.

H. R. File No. 9, joint resolution to procure additional mail facilities, was read a first and second times, and

On motion of Mr. Coop,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the joint resolution read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

H. R. 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, was read a first and second times, and

On motion of Mr. Shields,

Was referred to the committee on the judiciary.

H. R. File No. 49, an act to locate a State road from Charleston, in Lee county, via Montrose to Keokuk, was read a first and second times, and

On motion of Mr. Love,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

H. R. File No. 39, an act instructing the Warden of the Penitentiary, was read a first and second times, and

On motion of Mr. Preston,

Referred to a select committee of three.

The President appointed Senators Preston, Clark and Test, said committee.

On motion of Mr. Preston,

The vote taken on the passage of the substitute for H. R. File No. 44, was reconsidered, and

On his motion, it was referred to the committee on incorporations.

House File No. 43, a bill for an act to amend an act entitled "An Act to incorporate and establish the city of Dubuque, approved February 24, 1843," was taken up, and

On motion of Mr. Shields,

Referred to a committee composed of the Senators from Dubuque district.

Mr. Cleaver gave notice that he would on to-morrow, or some day thereafter, introduce a bill making road orders receivable for county tax in Louisa county.

The papers in the contested election case from the Polk district, when a call of the Senate was demanded. Mr. McAchran was absent, but appearing in a short time, the further call was suspended.

The question then recurring on the resolution of the majority of the

committee, upon which the yeas and nays were demanded, ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Birge, Clark, Coop, Love, McCulloch, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell and Workman—10.

NAYS.—Anderson, Browning, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Lucas, Matthews, McAchran, McCrary, Needham, Park, Preston, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, Wilkinson and Mr. President—20

The resolution was lost.

The question upon the resolution of the minority was then taken and carried.

Mr. Jordon was then sworn in as Senator.

On motion of Mr. Saunders,

Mr. Bryan was permitted to retain his seat within the bar of the Senate.

Senate File No. 7, "Joint Resolution, asking Congress for additional mail facilities," was taken up, and

On motion of Mr. Schram,

Amended by striking out the words West Point, and inserting Fort Madison.

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, when this bill was engrossed, read a third time, and passed.

On motion of Mr. Test,

The petition of the citizens of Pottawattamie, asking for an act authorizing the Drainage Commissioner to re-imburse the Council Bluffs and Nebraska ferry company for certain monies by them expended for the improvement of certain roads, was taken up and referred to the committee on roads.

On motion of Mr. Thurston,

Senate File No. 36, an act authorizing the Treasurer of State to pay over certain monies, and moved 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 Atty. General Cloud, as the proceeds of the ballance due the Penitentiary from Richard Quinton and his securities.

On motion of Mr. Test,

The Senate resolved itself into committee of the whole for the consideration of Senate File No. 16.

After a short time, the committee rose, reported proceedings, and asked leave to sit again.

On motion,

Senate adjourned to meet at 7 o'clock this evening.

MONDAY EVENING, 7 O'CLOCK, JAN. 8, 1855.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

A call of the Senate was ordered, when it appeared that Messrs. McAchran, Browning and Birge were absent.

On motion,

Further call was suspended.

Mr. Love moved to go into committee of the whole upon the "bill for the relocation of the Capitol of the State.

The motion carried.

Mr. Needham was called to the chair.

After some time spent in their deliberations, the committee rose, and, through its chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY MORNING, JAN. 9th, 1855.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. Browning presented the petition of W. C. Cameron and 26 others, citizens of Iowa, asking a repeal of the usury laws;

Also, the remonstrance of Allan Hendrick and 43 others, against such repeal;

Which were both, on his motion, ordered to be laid on the table.

Mr. Saunders presented four remonstrances, signed by Harpin Riggs and 124 others, citizens of Henry county, against a repeal of the usury laws,

Which was, on his motion, ordered to be laid on the table.

Mr. Saunders offered the following:

Resolved, by the Senate, That the Secretary of the same be, and he is hereby instructed to place upon the Journal of the Senate, the proceedings of the joint convention of the Legislative Assembly, held in the hall of the House of Representatives, on Saturday, the 6th inst., for the purpose of electing one Associate Judge of the Supreme Court, and a Senator of the United States.

Mr. Schram moved that it be laid on the table,

Which was lost.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution, the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered and were as follows:

YEAS.—Senators Anderson, Cleaver, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Matthews, McCrary, Needham, Park, Saunders, Schram, Wilkinson and Jordan—13.

NAYS.—Senators Birge, Browning, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Love, Lucas, McAchran, McCullough, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—17.

MR. PRESIDENT—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives have passed the following House files, in which they ask the concurrence of the Senate:

House File No. 13, a bill for the relief of Hannah Everall.

Also, House File No. 47, a bill for an act to establish an asylum for the blind, approved Jan. 18th, 1853.

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk of H. of Rep.*

MR. PRESIDENT—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives have passed

Senate File No. 39, a joint resolution in relation to a certain lot of land in Iowa City.

Also, Senate File No. 36, joint resolution to pay over certain moneys, the House having concurred in the amendments of the Senate, and passed the same as amended.

Also, Senate File No. 4, joint resolution asking aid of Congress to improve the Rock Island and Des Moines rapids of the Mississippi.

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk of House of Rep.*

Mr. Lucas offered the following:

Resolved, (the House concurring,) That the General Assembly of

the State of Iowa, adjourn *sine die* on the 23d day of the present month,

Which was, on motion of Mr. Birge, laid on the table.

Mr. Preston gave notice of the introduction of the following bills:

For an act to amend chapter 187 of the Code of Iowa, relating to the penitentiary.

Also, for an act to provide for the publication of the reports of the decisions of the Supreme Court, reported by the Hon. Geo. Green.

Mr. Preston, in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced

Senate File No. 73, a bill for an act to provide for the appointment of a reporter of the decisions of the Supreme Court, and other purposes,

Which was read a first and second times, and,

On his motion,

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Thurston gave notice that he would, on to-morrow, or some day thereafter, ask leave to introduce a bill for an act to regulate security upon bonds of public officers.

Mr. Matthews gave notice that he would, on to-morrow, or some future day, ask leave to introduce a bill restraining sheep and swine from running at large in Clinton county.

Mr. McCrary gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce a bill for an act uniting the offices of School Fund Commissioner and Recorder of Deeds, and defining the duties of its officer.

Mr. Matthews gave notice that he would on to-morrow introduce a bill for an act to relinquish an escheat.

Mr. Hillis offered the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate be, and he is hereby authorized to furnish James Jordan, who has just been admitted to his seat in the Senate, with a Code and other necessaries, such as other Senators have been supplied with.

Mr. Test gave notice that he would on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, ask leave to introduce a bill to change the name of Bloomfield, in Monona county, to Ashton.

Mr. Hamilton, in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced

Senate File No. 74, bill for an act concerning acknowledgments of deeds in foreign countries and in other States,

Which was read a first and second times, and,

On motion,

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Shields, in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced

Senate File No. 75, a bill for an act to reduce the expenses of transmitting the funds of the State from the counties to the State treasury,

Which was read a first and second times, and,

On motion,

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

Mr. Anderson, in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced

Senate File No. 76, a bill for an act in relation to a certain State road, therein named,

Which was read a first and second times, and,

On his motion,

Referred to the committee on roads.

Mr. Browning, on leave, introduced Senate File No. 77, 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 mentioned,

Which was read a first and second times, and,

On his motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the bill read a third time, passed, and title agreed to.

Mr. Thurston, in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced

Senate File No. 77½, a bill for an act for the more equal assessment of lands and town lots,

Which was read a first and second times, and,

On his motion,

Referred to a select committee of three.

The President appointed Senators Thurston, Jordan and Udell said committee.

Mr. Love, in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced

Senate file No, 78, a bill for an act to amend an act fixing the times and places of holding courts in the First Judicial District,

Which was read a first and second times; and,

On motion,

Referred to the commitiee on the judiciary.

Mr. Love, in pursuance of previous notice, on leave, introduced

Senate file No. 79, a bill for an act to establish a Recorder's office, in the city of Keokuk, Lee county,

Which was read a first and second times; and,

On his motion,

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Coop, in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced

Senate file No. 80, a bill for an act to amend chapter 15 of the code of Iowa.

Which was read a first and second times; and,

On his motion,

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Cleaver, on leave, introduced

Senate file No. 81, a bill for an act making road certificates receivable for county taxes,

Which was read a first and second times; and,

On motion,

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Shields, from the select committee to which was referred

H. R. file No. 43, an act to amend an act to incorporate and establish the city of Dubuque, approved February 24th, 1847.

Reported the same back without amendment, and recommended its passage.

The bill was,

On motion,

Ordered to be read a third time to-morrow.

Mr. Test, from the select committee to whom was referred

Senate file No. 27, reported a substitute therefor, which,

On motion,

Was adopted, and the substitute ordered to be read a third time to-morrow.

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until two o'clock P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK P. M.

Mr. Preston, from the joint committee appointed by the Legislature to visit and inspect the penitentiary,

On leave,

Presented the following report :* when,

On motion of Mr. Clark,

The reading was suspended, the report laid upon the table, and five hundred copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Senate.

Mr. Preston, from the committee on the judiciary to which was referred:

H. R. 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.

Reported the same back without amendment, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Shields moved that the bill be laid upon the table.

Lost.

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Mr. Matthews, from the committee on enrolled bills reported,

Senate files Nos. 10 and 25, as correctly enrolled.

Mr. Lucas, from the committee on roads, to whom was referred,

The petition of T. N. Johnson and 36 others, of Cedar township, Van Buren county, asking for an act authorizing the erection of a mill dam across Big Cedar creek,

Reported that they had had the same under consideration, and finding that there is an act before the Senate of a general nature, that will apply to the request of the pet tioners, they ask leave to be discharged from the further consideration of the petition.

Which report was accepted and the committee discharged

Mr. Workman presented the following :

The committee on new counties have had under consideration the petitions of sundry citizens of Marion county, asking for a new county, to be stricken off from parts of Marion, Jasper and Mahaska counties, to be called Orange.

The committee have instructed me to report adverse to the prayer of the petitioners, and your committee ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

SAM'L WORKMAN, *Chairman*,

Which was accepted, and the committee discharged.

*See appendix.

Messages from the House of Representatives was taken up.

H. R. file No. 13, a bill for the relief of Hannah Everall,

Was read a first and second times.

Mr. Browning moved to amend the bill by inserting, as the second section the following:

Be it further enacted, that this act, or the rights herein vested, shall not effect or interfere with the rights of third persons, legal or equitable, which may have vested or arisen under the laws, judgments or contracts hetofore in force.

Which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Browning.

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

House file No. 47, a bill for an act to establish an Asylum for the blind, approved January 18th, 1855,

Was read a first and second times; and,

On motion of Mr. Hamilton,

Referred to the committee on charitable institutions.

Senate file No. 62, joint resolution asking for a grant of land from Congress for homesteads,

Was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

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 poor farm

Was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Mr. Thurston presented the account of Josiah Cowles against the State of Iowa,

Which was read, and

On his motion,

Referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Preston presented a communication from the Trustees of the State University,

Which was read, and

On his motion,

Referred to a select joint committee of two on the part of the Senate, and three on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. Lucas,

The Senate resumed its session, in committee of the whole, for the consideration of substitute for Senate File No. 16.

A bill for an act to remove the seat of Government from Iowa city, Johnson county, to Fort Des Moine, in Polk county, Mr. Hamilton in the chair, and after some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman reported back the bill and substitute, with a recommendation that the substitute as amended pass.

Mr. Preston moved that the Senate adjourn until to-morrow morning at nine o'clock.

Upon which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Senators Anderson ,Birge, Browning, Clark, Cleaver, Coop, Hillis, McAchran, Needham, Park, Preston, Saunders, Shields, Udell, Wilkinson, Workman, and Mr. President—17.

NAYS.—Senators Coolbaugh, Fulton, Hamilton, Love, Matthews, McCollough, McCrary, Ramsay, Schram, Test, Thuston, and Jordon —13.

The question was decided in the affirmative, and

The Senate adjourned.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 10th, 1855.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. Udell presented the petition of John Starr and 392 others, citizens of Decatur county, asking for authority to vote upon the question of the re-location of the county seat of said county, which,

On his motion,

Was referred to the committee on county boundaries.

Mr. Cleaver presented the petition of Rufus Smith and 157 others, on the subject of the manufacture and sale of ardent spirits, which,

On his motion,

Was referred to the committee on that subject.

Mr. Workman presented the petition of H. B. Lynch and 54 other citizens of Iowa, for a road from Millersbug, in Iowa county, to Oskaloosa, in Mahaska county.

Also, the petition of Hugh Torrence and 15 others, citizens of Linn and Johnson counties, asking for a State road from Lisbon, in Linn county, to Iowa City, which were both,

On his motion, referred to the committee on Roads.

Mr. Jordan presented the petition of Wm. Williams and 26 others, citizens of Webster county, for a State road from Cedar Falls to Fort Dodge.

Also, the petition of Wm. Williams and 28 others, citizens of Webster county, for a State road from Fort Dodge to Sargent's Bluffs, in Woodbury county, which,

On his motion, were referred to the committee on Roads.

Mr. Browning presented the petition of Daniel D. Slaughter and 885 others, citizens of Keokuk county, for a relocation of the county seat of said county, which,

On his motion, was referred to a select committee.

The President appointed Senators Hogan, Browning and Coop, said committee.

Mr. McCrary presented the proceedings of a meeting of the citizens of Van Buren county, on the subject of the manufacture and sale of ardent spirits, which,

On his motion, was referred to the committee on that subject.

Mr. McAchran presented the account of M. L. Morris, State Treasurer, against the State of Iowa, which,

On his motion, was referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. McCrary presented the petition of the officers of the corporation of the town of Bentonsport, asking for the repeal of an act to vacate certain streets and an alley in said town, which was read, and

On his motion, referred to the committee on public buildings.

Mr. Test presented the remonstrance of S. M. Tucker and 65 others, citizens of Cass county, against any action by the Legislature on the subject of the county seat of said county, which was,

On his motion, referred to the select committee to whom petitions on the same subject have been referred.

Mr. Hillis presented the claim of John Shook against the State, which was read, and

On his motion, referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Schram gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he would ask leave to introduce a bill for an act establishing a State

road from Farmington, in Van Buren county, to Bloomfield, in Davis county.

Mr. Test, in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced Senate File No. 82, a bill for an act to change the name of Bloomfield, in Monona county, to that of Ashton, which was read the first and second times, and,

On his motion,

The 11th Rule was suspended, when the bill was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Mr. Preston, in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced Senate File No. 83, a bill for an act to provide for the publicaton of the reports of the decisions of the Supreme Court, as reported by the Hon. George Green, which was read a first and second times, and

On his Motion,

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr Ramsey, in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced Senate File No. 84, a bill for an act to create a branch of the State University at Ashland, which was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

Referred to the committee on schools.

Mr. McCrary, in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced Senate File No. 85, a bill for an act attaching the duties of Recorder of Deeds to the School Fund Commissioner, and defining his duties, which was read a first and second times, and

On his motion,

Referred to the committee on charitable institutions.

Mr. Thurston, in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced Senate File No. 86, a bill for an act to regulate security upon the bonds of public officers, which was read a first and second times, and ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Mr. Thurston, in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced Senate File No. 87, a bill for an act regulating county and corporation bonds, which was read a first and second times, and

On his motion,

Referred to the committee on internal improvements.

Mr. Workman gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he would introduce 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.

Mr. Shields, in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced Senate File No. 88, a bill for an act to protect the people of the State of Iowa, against the circulation of paper money of other States, which was read a first and second times, and

On his motion,

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Udell gave notice that on to-morrow, or some future day, he would ask leave to introduce a bill to amend section 2534 of the Code of Iowa.

Mr. Thurston, in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced Senate File No. 89, a bill for an act to regulate bankers, which was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Hamilton, in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced a bill regulating the State Library, which was read a first and second times, and

On his motion,

Referred to the library committee.

Mr. Coolbaugh, in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced Senate File No. 91, "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," which was read a first and second times, when,

On motion of Mr. Test,

The eleventh rule was suspended and the memorial read a third time and passed, and its title agreed to.

Mr. Birge gave notice that on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, he would ask leave to introduce a bill to repeal chapter seventy-one of the acts passed at the third General Assembly.

Mr. Matthews, in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced Senate File No. 92, a bill for an act to restrain sheep and swine from running at large in Clinton county, which was read a first and second times, and referred to a select committee of three.

Mr. President appointed Messrs. Matthews, Preston and Cleaver said committee.

Mr. Hamilton, in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced Senate File No. 93, a bill for an act to provide separate records of town lots, which was read a first and second times, and ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Mr. Workman, in pursuance of notice, an leave, introduced Senate File No. 94, a bill for an act to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate Iowa City," which was read a first and second times,

When the eleventh rule was suspended and, the bill read a third time and passed.

Mr. Hamilton gave notice that he would on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, ask leave to introduce a bill to alter and amend the law of divorce.

Mr. Browning, in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced Senate File No. 95, a bill to amend the charter of the city of Burlington, which was read a first and second times and

On motion,

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

Mr. Workman, in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced Senate File No. 96, a bill for an act to relocate the seat of justice of Iowa county, which was read a first and second times, and,

On motion,

Ordered to be read a third time to-morrow.

Mr. Lucas, from the committee on roads, reported back Senate File No. 53, a bill for an act providing for the election of a commissioner of roads, and defining his duties, without recommending its passage.

On motion,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Udell, from the committee on federal relations, reported back Senate File No. 60, with an amendment which was concurred in. The bill was,

On motion.

Ordered to a third reading to-morrow. Also, Senate File No. 58, a joint resolution, asking for increased mail facilities, which was ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

Mr. Thurston, from the committee on county boundaries, reported a substitute for Senate File No. 38, "A Bill for An Act to alter the boundaries of the counties of Howard, Mitchel, Worth and Winnebago, which was ordered read a first and second times, and ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

Mr. Hamilton, from the committee on the judiciary, reported back Senate File No. 67, a bill for an act to amend an act granting to certain officers therein named, a copy of the Code and Laws of the State of Iowa, which,

On motion,

Was referred to a select committee.

Mr. President appointed Messrs. Cleaver, Browning and Test said committee.

Mr. Hamilton, from same committee, also reported Senate File No. 61, a bill for an act to repeal 76 of the Code of Iowa, and recommended its indefinite postponement.

On motion,

The bill was indefinitely postponed.

Also, Senate File No. 43, a bill for an act to amend an act entitled "An Act regulating the terms of the Supreme Court." The bill was,

On motion,

Indefinitely postponed.

Also, Senate File No. 80, a bill for an act to amend chapter 15 of the Code of Iowa, which,

On motion,

Was indefinitely postponed.

Also, Senate File No. 56, a bill for an act regulating the relations between master and apprentice, which,

On motion,

Was indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Wilkinson,

The Senate adjourned till this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

TWO O'CLOCK P. M., WNDNESDAY, JAN. 10, 1855.

On motion,

Senate File No. 80 was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Hamilton presented a communication from Professor Phelps, of Dubuque, upon the subject of a State University, which,

On motion,

Was referred to a select committee of three.

Mr. President appointed Messrs. Hamilton, Anderson and Coolbaugh.

Mr. Hamilton reported Senate File No. 8, a bill for an act to prohibit the circulation of bank notes of a less denomination than ten dollars, which,

On motion,

Was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Matthews reported that Senate Files Nos. 4, 36, 26 and 39 correctly rolled.

Also, that Senate Files Nos. 10, 21 and 25, had been presented to his Excellency, the Governor, for his approval.

Mr. Love, from the committee on the judiciary, reported back Senate File No. 18, a bill for an act providing for the revision or amendment of the constitution of this State, which, on his motion,

Was made the special order of to-morrow in committee of the whole.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives:

MR. PRESIDENT:—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House has concurred in the resolution of the Senate, appointing a joint committee of the two Houses upon the report of the Trustees of the State University. The House has appointed Messrs. Witter, Russel and Neal said committee. Also, the House have passed the following resolution, in which they ask the concurrence of the Senate:

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

CHAS. C. NOURSE, *Clerk House Rep.*

MR. PRESIDENT:—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives have passed Senate File No. 37, a joint resolution for additional mail facilities, also a substitute for Senate File No. 33, an act to locate a State road from Dallas county to Council Bluffs, in which they ask the concurrence of the Senate.

Also, House File, joint resolutien No. 12, in relation to the State University.

Also, House File No. 53, an act providing for a Geological survey of the State.

Also, House File No. 50, an act to incorporate the city of Leclare.

Also, House File No. 32, an act to amend section 1477 of the Code of Iowa, and to repeal section 1478 of the same.

Also, House file No. 38, a bill for an act authorizing the county Judge of Clark county to vacate the burying ground in Oceola.

Also, House File No. 27, an act to incorporate the town of Bloomfield, Iowa.

Also, House File No. 40, a bill for an act to change the name of South Independence, in Decatur county.

Also, House File No. 56, a bill for an act to locate a State road from Primrose to the town of Keokuk.

Also, House File No. 67, an act to establish a State road from Winterset to Jefferson, in Green county.

CHAS. C. NOURSE, *Clerk House Rep.*

MR. PRESIDENT—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House have passed House File joint resolution No. 10, relative to constructing bridges and dams across Cedar, Wabesipinicon and Iowa rivers, and ask the concurrence of the Senate therein.

CHAS. C. NOURSE, *Clerk of the House.*

Mr. Test, from the select committee, reported back Senate File 97, a bill providing for the removal of the seat of justice of Cass county, and recommended its passage,

Which was read a first and second times, when the rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

House File No. 10 was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

Referred to a select committee of three.

Mr. President appointed Messrs. Cleaver, Workman and Schram, said committee.

Mr. President appointed Messrs. Coolbaugh and Saunders a committee on the part of the Senate, to act with a similar committee on the part of the House, upon the matters contained in the communication of the Trustees of the State University.

The message of the House was taken up for consideration.

Mr. McCrary moved to lay upon the table the concurrent resolution relative to the final adjournment of the Legislature,

Which was lost.

Mr. Shields moved to amend by striking out the 23d and inserting 30th, when

Mr. Anderson moved to lay the resolution and amendment upon the table;

Upon which motion the yeas and nays were demanded, ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Coop, Hamilton, Jordan, Love, McCullough, McCrary, McAchran, Needham, Park, Saunders, Schram, Test and Mr. President—15.

NAYS.—Messrs. Browning, Clark, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Fulton, Hil-

lis, Lucas, Matthews, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Thurston, Udell, Wilkinson and Workman—15.

The motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. Hamilton,

The further consideration was postponed until two o'clock to-morrow afternoon.

Mr. Browning moved to lay the message from the House upon the table.

On motion of Mr. Shields,

Senate File No. 75, a bill for an act to reduce the expense of transmitting the funds of the State from the counties to the State treasury, was, by the unanimous consent of the Senate, referred to the committee of ways and means.

On motion,

House substitute for Senate File No. 33, an act to locate a State road from Dallas to Council Bluffs, and from Panora to Council Bluffs, was adopted by the Senate.

H. R. File No. 50, an act to incorporate the city of Leclair, was read a first and second times, and,

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended, the bill read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

H. R. File No. 12, joint resolution in relation to State University, was read a first and second times, when the eleventh rule was suspended, the joint resolution read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

H. R. File No. 27, an act to incorporate the town of Bloomfield, Iowa, was read a first and second times, eleventh rule suspended, bill read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

H. R. File No. 32, an act to amend section 1477 of the Code of Iowa, also an act for repealing section 1478 of said Code, was read a first and second times, and,

On motion of Mr. Cleaver,

Referred to a select committee of three.

The President appointed Senators Cleaver, Preston and Saunders said committee.

H. R. File No. 38, a bill for an act authorizing the County Judge of Clark county to vacate the lot formerly used as a burying ground in the town of Oceola, was read a first and second times, and,

On motion of Mr. Coop,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the bill read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to

H. R. File No. 40, a bill for an act to change the name of South Independence in Decatur county, was read a first and second times, and,

On motion of Mr. McAchran,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the bill read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

H. R. File No. 53, an act providing for a geological survey of the State, was read a first and second times.

Mr. Browning moved its indefinite postponement,

Upon which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Senators Anderson, Browning, Cleaver, Coop, Fulton, Hillis, Jordan, Lucas, McCullough, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Needham, Park, Preston, Ramsay, Saunders, Thurston, Udell and Wilkinson—20.

NAYS.—Senators Clark, Coolbaugh, Hamilton, Love, Schram, Shields, Test, Workman and Mr. President—9.

The motion was decided in the affirmative, and the further consideration of the bill indefinitely postponed.

H. R. File No. 56, a bill for an act to locate a State road from Primrose to Keokuk, was read a first and second times, and,

On motion,

Referred to the committee on roads.

H. R. File No. 67, an act to establish a State road from Winterset to Jefferson, in Green county, was read a first and second times, and

On motion of Mr. Birge,

Referred to the committee on roads.

Mr. Preston moved that Senate File No. 16, a bill to relocate the the Seat of Government, be made the special order of the Senate for Saturday morning, at ten o'clock;

Upon which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Senators Anderson, Birge, Clark, Cleaver, Fulton, Hillis, Matthews, Needham, Preston, Shields, Wilkinson, Workman and Mr. President—13.

NAYS.—Senators Browning, Coolbaugh, Coop, Hamilton, Jordan,

Love, Lucas, McCullough, McCrary, McAchran, Park, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, Test, Thurston and Udell—16.

The motion was lost.

Mr. Anderson moved that the Senate adjourn until seven o'clock this evening;

Upon which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Senators Anderson, Coolbaugh, Needham, Preston, Saunders, Wilkinson and Workman—7.

NAYS.—Senators Birge, Browning, Cleaver, Coop, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCullough, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Park, Ramsay, Schram, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell and Mr. President—22.

The motion was lost.

Mr. Love moved that the Senate concur in the amendment made in committee of the whole, to the first section of the substitute.

Mr. Preston moved to amend the section by striking out the words "appointed by the Governor," and insert "elected by the General Assembly, by joint resolution;"

Upon which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Senators Anderson, Birge, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Fulton, Needham, Preston, Shields, Wilkinson and Workman—11.

NAYS.—Senators Browning, Cleaver, Hamilton, Hillis, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Park, Ramsey, Saunders, Schram, Test, Thurston, Udell and Mr. President—19.

The amendment was lost.

Mr. Browning moved to amend by inserting the following:

That said seat of Government be, and the same is hereby located at the town of Oskaloosa.

Upon which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Senators Birge, Browning, Clark, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Fulton, Needham, Preston, Saunders, Shields, Wilkinson and Workman—12.

NAYS.—Senators Anderson, Coop, Hamilton, Hillis, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Park, Ramsey, Schram, Test, Thurston, Udell and Mr. President—18.

The amendment was lost.

Mr. Browning moved to amend, by inserting that the Capital be located at Fort Desmoine.

Upon which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Senators Anderson, Birge, Browning, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, McAchran, Preston and Workman—11.

NAYS.—Senators Clark, Coop, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, Needham, Park, Ramsey, Saunders, Schram, Shields, Test. Thurston, Udell, Wilkinson and Mr. President—19.

The amendment was lost.

Mr. Preston moved to amend, by striking out the words "appointed by the Governor," and inserting "elected by the General Assembly in joint convention,"

Upon which the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Senators Birge, Clark, Cleaver, Fulton, Matthews, Needham, Preston, Saunders, Shields and Workman—10.

NAYS.—Senators Anderson, Browning, Coolbaugh, Coop, Hamilton, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, McAchran, Park, Ramsey, Schram, Test, Thurston, Udell and Mr. President—18.

The amendment was lost.

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until 7 o'clock P. M.

SEVEN O'CLOCK P. M.

On motion of Mr. Coolbaugh,

A call of the Senate was had, when it was reported that Senators Anderson, Hillis, McAchran, Ramsey, Wilkinson and Workman, were absent.

The absentees appearing, except Mr. Wilkinson, who was excused by the Senate, further proceedings under the call were suspended.

Mr. Preston moved to amend the first section of the substitute for Senate File No. 16, by striking out the words "within two miles of the Forks of the Raccoon and Desmoine river, in Polk county,"

Upon which the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Senators Birge Browning, Clark, Cleaver, Fulton, Hillis, Matthews, Needham, Preston, Saunders, Shields and Workman—12.

NAYS.—Senators Anderson, Coolbaugh, Coop, Hamilton, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, McAchran, Park, Ramsey, Schram, Test, Thurston, Udell and Mr. President—17.

The amendment was lost.

Mr. Needham moved to adjourn, and upon this question the yeas and nays were demanded, ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Birge, Clark, Cleaver, Matthews, McAchran, Needham, Park, Preston, Saunders, Shields, Workman and Mr. President—12.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Coolbaugh, Coop, Fulton, Hamilton, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, Ramsey, Schram, Test, Thurston and Udell—16.

The motion was lost.

Mr. Browning moved the following as an amendment to section 1st of the substitute for the bill:

That the seat of Government of said State, shall be permanently located at such point as the people of the State may determine, the first vote for which shall be taken at the next April election, and if no point voted for shall have a majority of all the votes cast, then the two points having the highest number of votes shall be again voted for at the next August election for 1855, and the point then having the greatest number of votes shall be and remain the seat of Government for the State of Iowa.

Upon this question the yeas and nays were demanded, ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Birge, Browning, Clark, Cleaver, Fulton, Matthews, Needham, Park, Preston, Shields and Workman—10.

NAYS.—Messrs Anderson, Coolbaugh, Coop, Hamilton, Hillis, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, McAchran, Park, Ramsey, Saunders, Schram, Test, Thurston, Udell and Mr. President—19.

The amendment was lost.

Mr. Saunders moved to strike out "within two miles of the junction of the forks of the Desmoine and Raccoon rivers," and insert "within twenty miles," which motion was lost.

Mr. Browning moved to strike out "two," and insert "sixty," upon which question the yeas and nays were demanded, ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Birge, Browning, Clark, Cleaver, Fulton, Matthews, Needham, Preston, Saunders, Shields and Workman—11.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Coolbaugh, Coop, Hamilton, Hillis, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, McAchran, Park, Ramsey, Schram, Test, Thurston, Udell and Mr. President—18.

The amendment was lost.

Mr. Needham moved to strike out that portion requiring that the commissioners shall report their proceedings to the Governor, and insert "that they shall report their proceedings to the next General Assembly for further action."

And upon this question the yeas and nays were demanded, ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Birge, Browning, Clark, Cleaver, Fulton, Matthews, Needham, Preston, Shields and Workman—10.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Coolbaugh, Coop, Hamilton, Hillis, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, McAchran, Park, Ramsey, Saunders, Schram, Test, Thurston, Udell and Mr. President—19.

The amendment was lost.

The question then recurring on the amendment to section 1st, as recommended by the committee of the whole, the yeas and nays were demanded, ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Coolbaugh, Coop, Hamilton, Hillis, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, McAchran, Park, Ramsey, Saunders, Schram, Test, Thurston, Udell and Mr. President—19.

NAYS.—Messrs. Birge, Browning, Clark, Cleaver, Fulton, Matthews, Needham, Preston, Shields and Workman—10.

The amendment was carried.

Mr. Needham moved the following amendment to section six:

SECTION 6. Strike out all after the word "*which*," and insert

The Governor shall issue his proclamation, and at the next election for members of the General Assembly, the people of the State shall vote for and against said re-location, and if a majority of the legal voters of the State vote for said re-location, then the point so selected shall be the future Capital of Iowa.

Which amendment was lost.

The question was then taken upon Mr. Coolbaugh's amendment to section 4 of the substitute, as recommended by the committee of the whole, which was as follows:

Strike out "ten acres," and insert "as much land as is necessary for the Capitol buildings, and may be practicable to obtain.

Mr. Saunders moved as a proviso, "that not less than five acres were obtained," which proviso was lost, and the original amendment was carried.

Section 9th was amended as recommended by the committee of the whole, by adopting the following:

"Provided that said buildings shall be erected without expense to the State, and no money shall be paid out of the money of the State for the erection of said buildings."

Mr. Preston moved the following proviso: "Provided that the said buildings are of equal convenience and accommodation with the present Capitol at Iowa City," which was lost.

Mr. Preston moved to amend the substitute by the following: "Provided that the next General Assembly shall hold its next regular session at Iowa City."

Upon which motion the yeas and nays were demanded, ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Mesrs. Birge, Browning, Clark, Fulton, Hillis, Matthews, Needham, Preston, Saunders, Shields, Workman and Mr. President —12.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Coop, Hamilton, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, McAchran, Park, Ramsey, Schram, Test, Thurston, Udell—17.

The amendment was lost.

The question was then taken, "shall the substitute, as amended, be adopted for the original bill," which was carried.

The question was then taken, shall the bill be engrossed and ordered to a third reading on to-morrow? upon which question the yeas and nays were demanded, ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Coolbaugh, Coop, Hamilton, Hillis, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, McAhran, Park, Ramsey, Saunders, Schram, Test, Thurston, Udell and Mr. President—19.

NAYS.—Messrs. Browning, Birge, Clark, Cleaver, Fulton, Matthews, Needham, Preston, Shields and Workman—10.

The question was carried.

On motion,

The Senate adjourned till to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

THURSDAY MORNING, JAN. 11, 1854.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by Mr. Nourse, Chief Clerk.

MR. PRESIDENT—I herewith present for your signature, House files No. 3, No. 20, and No. 29, the same having passed both branches of the General Assembly, and been duly enrolled and signed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk H. Rep.*

Mr. Preston presented the petition of A. D. Stephen, and citizens of the counties of Benton and Iowa, asking for the establishment of a new county, to be called Rono county, which were,

On his motion,

Referred to the committee on new counties.

Mr. Anderson presented the remonstrance of Philip S. Miller, and 449 others, citizens of Decatur county, against any legislative action with regard to the county seat of said county, which were

On his motion,

Referred to the committee on county boundaries.

Mr. Workman presented the petitions of Rachael W. Ogden and 49 other ladies.

Also, the petition of Wm. A. Pile, and 127 others, all citizens of Powesheik county, asking for the passage of a prohibitory liquor law, which were,

On his motion,

Referred to the committee on that subject.

Mr. Thurston gave notice that on to-morrow, or some day thereafter, he would ask leave to introduce

A bill authorizing junior judgment creditors to redeem senior judgments.

Mr. Udell, on leave, introduced

Senate file No. 98, a bill for an act to amend section 2534 of the code regulating the fees of Recorders.

Which was read a first and second times, and

On his motion,

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

Mr. Birge, on leave, introduced

Senate file No. 99, a bill for an act to repeal chapter 71 of the acts passed at the session of the third General Assembly.

Which was read a first and second times, and

On motion of Mr. Browning,

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Workman, on leave, introduced

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.

Which was read a first and second times, and

On his motion,

Referred to a select committee.

The President appointed Senators Workman, Fulton, Clark, Wilkinson and Jordan, said committee.

Mr. Ramsay, a bill for an act to require mortgages of personal property to be deposited with the Township Clerk.

Which was read a first and second times, and

On motion.

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Schram, on leave, introduced

Senate file No. 102, a bill for an act establishing a State road from Farmington, in Van Buren county, to Bloomfield, in Davis county,

Which was read a first and second times, and

On his motion.

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Mr. Shields, on leave, introduced

Senate file No. 103, a bill for an act to appoint commissioners to locate the seat of justice of Mitchell county.

Which was read a first and second times, and

On his motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill read a third time, passed, and title agreed to.

Mr. McCullough, in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced

Senate file No. 104, a bill for an act defining the duties of Supervisors of roads and highways,

Which was read a first and second times, and

Referred to the committee on roads.

Mr. Love, on leave, introduced

Senate file No. 105, a bill for an act to amend an act granting rail road companies the right of way.

Which was read a first and second times, and referred to the committee on internal improvements.

Mr. Love, on leave, introduced

Senate file No. 106, a bill for an act for the relief of Hawkins Taylor,

Which was read a first and second times, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. McAckron gave notice tnat he would on to-morrow, or some future day, ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend chapter 105, of the code.

Also, a bill to amend chapter 136 of the code.

Mr. Hamilton, in pursuance of notice, on leave, introduced

Senate file No. 107, a bill for an act granting divorces, which was read a first and second times, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Saunders introduced the following:

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate be, and he is hereby instructed to furnish for the use of the Senate, to each member thereof, a pocket map of the State of Iowa, the same to be of as late date as may be obtained.

Mr. Hamilton introduced the following:

Resolved, That the Senate will not receive any new bnsiness without special leave, from and after Thursday the 18th inst., which,

On motion of Mr. Preston,

Was laid on the table.

Mr. Udel gave notice that he would on to-morrow, or some future day of the session, ask leave to introduce

A bill for an act locating a State road from Centreville, in Appanoose county, *via* Albia in Monroe county to Oskalosa, in Mahaska county.

Mr. Thurston, on leave, intoduced

Senate file No. 108, a bill to authorize junior judgment creditors to redeem from senior judgments, which was read a first and second times, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Shields, from the committee on ways and means, reported a substitute for Senate file No. 74, an act to reduce the expenses of transmitting the funds of the State from the counties to the State Treasury,

Which was adopted, and

On motion of Mr. Browning,

The bill was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Needham introduced

Senate file No. 109, an act to incorporate Oskaloosa,

Which was read a first and second times, and

Referred to a select committee, consisting of Senators Needham, Test and Hillis.

Mr. Hamilton, to whom was referred the communication of Professor Phelps,

Reported back the same and recommended that 3,000 copies be printed.

On motion of Mr. Love,

The communication was referred to the committee on schools.

Mr. Test, from the committee on the judiciary, reported back

Senate file No. 79, a bill for an act to establish a Recorder's office in Keokuk, Lee county, and recommend its passage.

Mr. Thurston moved that the bill be laid on the table,

Which motion was lost.

Mr. Thurston moved to refer the bill to the delegation from Lee county,

Which motion was lost.

The bill was ordered to a third reading on to-morrow.

Mr. Matthews, from the committee on enrolled bills, reported,

Senate files Nos. 4, 10, 26 and 39, as having been presented to His Excellency, the Governor, for his approval.

Mr. Matthews, from the select committee to whom was referred

Senate file No. 59, an act to increase the powers of the Trustees of the State University,

With sundry amendments, which were concurred in.

Mr. Udell moved to strike out all after the word "institution" in the second section,

Which was not agreed to.

The bill was then ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Mr. Schram, from the committee on engrossed bills, reported as correctly engrossed,

Senate file No. 95, a bill for an act to amend the charter of the city of Burlington.

Mr. Thurston, from the select committee, to which was referred

Senate file No. 77, a bill for an act for the more equal assessment of lands and town lots,

Reported the same back with one amendment,

Which was disagreed to.

On motion of Mr. Thurston,

The bill was referred to a select committee, consisting of Senators Thuston, Udel and Browning; when,

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until two o'clock, P. M.

Two O'clock P. M.

Mr. Workman, from the committee on county boundaries, introduced

Senate file No. 110, an act to define the boundaries of Cass county,

Which was read a first and second times, when,

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Mr. Thuston, from the committee on county boundaries,

Reported back sundry petitions and remonstrances, relative to the dividing Grundy county, and asked to be discharged from the further consideration of the same.

The committee were discharged.

Mr. Shields, from the committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

House file No. 12, a bill for an act to encourage the killing o wolves, and recommended that the bill be made the special order, h committee of the whole, on Monday evening next, at seven o'clck.

Mr. Thurston, from the committee on county boundaries, introduced

Senate file No, 111, an act to relocate the seat of justice of Decatur county,

Which was read a first and second times; and,

Referred to the committee on new counties.

Mr. Test, from the judiciary commitee reported back

Senate file No. 78, an act to amend chapter 52, passed January 24, 1848, and entitled an act fixing the times and places of holding the district courts in the first judicial district,

Also, to amend section .566 of chapter 92, of the code of Iowa, and recommended its passage, when

The bill was ordered to a third reading on to-morrow.

Mr. Test introduced, on leave,

Senate file No. 112, a bill for an act to create the office of District Attorney in each judicial district in this State,

Which was read a first and second times, when

The question was taken "shall the bill be read a third time to-morrow," and decided in the negative.

Mr. Browning, from the committee on charitable institutions, to whom was referred

Senate file No. 85, an act attaching the duties of Recorder of deeds to the school fund commissioner and defining his duties, and recommended its indefinite postponement.

Mr. McAchran moved to refer the bill to a select committee,

Which was agreed to.

The President appointed Senators McAchan, Workman, and McCrary, said committee.

Mr. Hamilton moved to reconsider the vote in which the Senate refused to engross Senate file No. 112,

Which motion carried, and

On motion of Mr. Preston,

The bill was ordered to a third reading on Monday next.

Mr. Cleaver, from the select committee, to whom was referred

Senate file No. 67, a bill to amend an act granting to certain officers therein named, a copy of the code and laws, of the State of Iowa.

Which was adopted and ordered to a third reading on to-morrow.

Mr. Saunders moved to take from the table the papers in relation to the claim of John Brown.

On motion of Mr. Preston,

The papers were recommitted to the committee on claims, with instructions to report to-morrow morning.

Mr. Lucas, from the committee on roads, to whom was referred Senate File No. 71, a bill to amend chapter 38 of the Code, which was read and ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

Mr. Lucas, from the committee on roads, reported back

Senate file No. 75, an act in relation to a certain State road therein named. and recommended its passage.

Mr. Birge moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

The motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. Anderson,

The 11th rule was suspended, the bill read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

The following message was received from the House:

Mr. President:—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House have passed H. File No. 5, an act for the suppression of intemperance.

Also, H. File No. 8, an act to amend chapter 21 of the Code of Iowa.

Also, H. File No. 62, an act to locate the seat of justice of Adair county.

Also, H. File No. 91, a bill requiring the trustees of Julian township, Dubuque county, Iowa, to authorize the election of two additional Justices of the Peace.

Also, H. File No. 20, joint resolution for a mail route.

Also, H. File No. 92, an act to change the name of Newton to Gosport.

Also, H. File No. 98, an act to incorporate the city of Knoxville, Marion county, Iowa,

In which they ask the concurrence of the Senate.

The House have also passed Senate File No. 64, an act to authorize the county Judge of Lee county to sell or otherwise dispose of the county poor farm in said county.

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk H. Rep.*

Mr. President:—I herewith present, for your signature, H. File No. 8, memorial and joint resolution to establish mail routes, the

same having passed both branches of the legislature and duly signed by the Speaker of the House.

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk House Rep.*

Mr. Cleaver, from the select committee to which was referred H. R. File No. 32, an act to amend section 1477 of the Code of Iowa,

Also, an act for repealing section 1478 of said Code, reported the same back and recommended its passage.

The question being on reading the bill a third time to-morrow, it was not agreed to.

Mr. Hamilton, from the judiciary committee, reported back Senate File No. 81, a bill for an act making road certificates receivable for county taxes, reported the same back and recommended its passage.

The bill was ordered to a third reading on to-morrow.

Mr. Workman, from the select committee to whom was referred House File No. 10, joint resolution relative to constructing bridges and dams across Cedar, Wapsepinican and Iowa rivers, reported a substitute therefor, which was adopted and the bill recommended to the same committee,

Mr. Schram, from the committee on engrossed bills, reported Senate File No. 16, a bill for an act to re-locate the seat of Government, as correctly engrossed.

Mr. Lucas, from the committee on roads, to whom was referred the petition of George Dunsbangle and ninety others, citizens of Clinton County, praying for a State road from Lyons, in said county, to Maquoketa, in Jackson county, reported back the same and recommend that the petition be laid upon the table.

The report was adopted and the petition tabled.

The following message was laid on the table.

MR. PRESIDENT:—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House has concurred in Senate Files No. 2, No. 3, No. 13. No. 15, No. 16, No. 31, and No. 42.

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk H. Rep.*

On motion.

Thos. Hughes and J. M. Walters were appointed assistant clerks.

Mr. Hillis gave notice that he would, on to-morrow, or some other day, ask leave to introduce a bill to provide for the election of a justice of the peace in and for the town of Knoxville, Marion county, and State of Iowa.

House File No. 5, a bill to suppress intemperance, was read a first and second times, and

Referred to the select committee on temperance.

House File No. 98, a bill for an act to incorporate the city of Knoxville, in Marion county, Iowa, was read a first and second times and ordered to a third reading on to-morrow.

House File No. 92, an act to change the town of Newtown to Gosport, was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended, the bill read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

House File No. 20, joint resolution for a mail route was read a first and second times,

When the eleventh rule was suspended, the bill read a third time, passed and the title agreed to.

House File No. 91, a bill for an act to authorize the Trustees of Julien township, Dubuque county, to authorize the election of two additional justices of the peace, was read a first and second times, when

The eleventh rule was suspended, the bill read a third time, passed and the title agreed to.

House File No. 8, an act to amend chapter 21 of the Code was read a first and second times,

The eleventh rule was suspended, the bill read a third time, passed and the title agreed to.

The following message was received from the House:

MR. PRESIDENT:—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives have passed House File No. 26, an act to locate certain State roads.

Also, House File No. 70, an act for the election of an additional justice of the peace in Knoxville, Marion county, Iowa, in which they ask the concurrence of the Senate.

CHARLES C. NOURSE,
Clerk of the House of Rep.

House File No. 62, an act to locate the seat of justice of Adair county, was read a first and second times,

The eleventh rule was suspended, the bill read a third time, passed and the title agreed to.

House file No. 26, an act to locate certain State roads was read a first and second times, and

On motion of Mr. Browning,

Referred to the committee on roads,

House File No. 70, an act for the election of an additional justice of the peace in Noxville, Marion county, Iowa,

Which was read a first aud second times,

The eleventh rule was suspended, the bill read a third time, passed and the title agreed to.

Mr. Cleaver moved to take from the table Senate File No. 24, a bill to authorize Railroad companies to consolidate their stock with the stock of Railroad companies in this or an adjoining State and to connect their roads with the roads of said companies, which was agreed to, and

On his motion,

The bill was referred to the committee on internal improvements.

Mr. Test moved to take up 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,

Was taken from the table, read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Needham,

The Senate resolved itself into a committee of the whole, for the consideration of Senate File No. 18, an act providing for the revision or amendment of the Constitution of this State.

Mr McAchran, in the Chair—and after some time spent therein the committee rose, and through their Chairman, reported the bill back to the Senate with sundry amendments.

On motion of Mr. Preston,

The bill was laid on the table.

Senate File No. 95, a bill for an act to amend the charter of the city of Burlington,

Was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

Mr. Browning moved to reconsider the vote by which Senate File No. 53, a bill for an act providing for a Geological Survey of the State, was indefinitely postponed.

The motion was agreed to and

On motion of Mr. Shields,

The bill was referred to the committee on ways and means.

Senate File No. 45, a bill for an act to prevent injury to creditors,

Was read a third time, passed and the title agreed to.

Senate File No. 46, a bill for an act making further provision in relation to executors of estates,

Was read a third time, passed and the title agreed to.

Senate File No, 16, a bill for an act to re-locate the seat of Government.

Was read a third time, and the question being, "Shall the bill pass?"

On this question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered-and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Coolbaugh, Coop, Hamilton, Hillis, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, McAchran, Park, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, Test, Thurston, Udell and Mr. President—19.

NAYS.—Messrs. Birge, Browning, Clark, Cleaver, Fulton, Matthews ,Needham, Preston, Shields, Wilkinson and Workman—11.

So the bill passed and its title was agreed to.

On motion of Mr Preston,

The Senate went into executive session, and after some time spent therein the Senate resumed its regular business.

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrrow morning.

FRIDAY, JAN. 12, 1855.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the chaplain.

Mr. Browning presented the petitions and remonstrances of 951 citizens of Keokuk county, in relation to the county seat of said county, which were referred to the select committee, to which was referred petitions upon the same subject.

Mr. Needham presented the petition of James Bridges and 33 other citizens of Mahaska county, praying for a State road from Millersburgh, in Iowa county via. Indianopolis to Oskaloosa, in Mahaska county, which was referred to the committee on roads.

Mr. Preston presented the proceedings of a public meeting and re-

monstrance of citizens of Benton county, in relation to the formation of a new county out of parts of Benton and Iowa counties, which were referred to the delegation from Benton and Iowa counties.

Mr. Preston presented the claim of Vincent Bell, Sheriff of Linn county, which was referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Saunders presented the remonstrance of B. Wall and 20 others, citizens of Henry county, against the repeal of the present usury laws, which was laid on the table.

Mr. Saunders presented the petition of M. L. Edwards and 60 others, citizens of Henry county, praying the establishment of asylums for the insane, the blind and the deaf and dumb, in this State, which was referred to the committee on charitable institutions.

On motion of Mr. Hamilton,

Senate Files Nos. 9, 22, 47 and 48 were taken from the table and referred to the committee on public lands.

On motion of Mr. Hamilton,

Senate Files Nos. 50, 51 and 52 were taken from the table and referred to the committee on charitable institutions.

On motion of Mr. Schram,

The vote indefinitely postponing Senate File No. 74, an act to reduce the expenses of transmitting the funds of the State from the county to the State Treasury, was reconsidered, and the bill referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Workman, on leave, introduced Senate File No. 113, a bill for establishing a State road from Snook's Grove, Poweshiek county, to Newton, in Jasper county, which was read a first and second times, and referred to the committee on roads.

On motion of Mr. Hamilton,

The resolution in relation to the introduction of new business, was taken from the table. On motion of Mr. Coop,

The resolution was amended by striking out "Thursday, the 19th," and inserting "Tuesday, the 23d."

The question being on the adoption of the resolution as amended, it was decided in the negative.

Mr. McAchran, on leave, introduced Senate File No. 114, a bill to amend chapter 105 of the Code of Iowa, which was read a first and second times, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Udell, on leave, introduced Senate File No. 115, a bill for an act locating a certain State road, which was read a first and second times.

Mr. Birge moved to lay the bill on the table, which was lost.

On motion of Mr. Anderson,

The bill was referred to a select committee.

The President appointed Senators Anderson, Udell and Birge said committee.

Mr. McCrary, on leave, introduced Senate File No. 116, an act repealing an act entitled "An Act vacating certain streets and alleys in the town of Bentonsport, in Van Buren county, which was read a first and second times, and referred to the committe on public buildings.

Mr. Coop, on leave, introduced Senate File No. 117, a bill for an act to prohibit certain mail stock from running at large, which was read a first and second times, and referred to the committee on agriculture.

Mr. Hamilton, from the committee on the judiciary, reported back Senate File No. 35, a bill for an act for the relief of Harriet O'Riley, and recommended its passage.

The bill was then read a third time, passed, and title agreed to.

Mr. Hamilton, from the committee on the judiciary reported back Senate File No. 89, a bill for an act to regulate Bankers, and recommended its indefinite postponent.

On which question, the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Browning, Cleaver, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Love, McCrary, Matthews, Needham, Preston, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, Wilkinson and Workman—15.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Clark, Coop, Jordan, Lucas, McCulloch, Park, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell and Mr. President—13.

So the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Hamilton, from the committee on the judiciary, reported back Senate File No. 88, an act to protect the people of the State of Iowa, against the circulation of paper money of other States, with a recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Fulton moved that the further consideration of the bill be postponed until to-morrow, which was not agreed to.

The question being on the indefinite postponement of the bill,

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Jordan, Love, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, Mc

Achron, Needham, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, Wilkinson and Workman—19.

NAYS.—Messrs. Birge, Clark, Coop, Lucas, Park, Preston, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell and Mr. President—11.

The bill was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Hamilton, from the committee on the judiciary, reported back Senate File No. 73, a bill for an act concerning acknowledgments of deeds in other States, and in foreign countries, with a recommendation that it pass.

The bill was then ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time tomorrow.

Mr. Hamilton, from the committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred a resolution, instructing the committee to inquire into the expediency of amending chapter 114 of the Code, reported the same back, and asked that the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The committee was discharged.

Mr. Love, from the committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred Senate File No. 54, a bill for an act granting an escheat, reported the same back, and recommended its passsage, and

On his motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill read a third time, passed, and title agreed to.

Mr. Love, from the committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred Senate File No. 1, a bill for an act for the relief of the heirs of George Cornwall, late of Lee County, deceased, reported the same back, and recommended its passage, and

On his motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and title agreed to.

Mr. Love, from the committee on the judiciary, to whom was refer- Senate File No. 106, a bill for an act for the relief of Hawkins Taylor, reported the same back, and recommended its passage.

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the bill read a third time, passed, and title agreed to.

Mr. Love, from the committee on the judiciary, to which was referred Senate File No. 108, a bill to authorize junior judgment creditors

to redeem from senior judgments, reported the same back, and recommended its passage, and

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and title agreed to.

Mr. Love, from the committee on the judiciary, to which was referred Senate File No. 107, a bill for an act granting divorces, reported the same back, and recommended its indefinite postponement.

Mr. Browning offered a substitute for the bill, which was read, when,

On his motion,

The bill and substitute were referred to a select committee of seven.

The President appointed Senators Browning, Hamilton, Love, Needham, Park, Jordan and Schram, said committee.

Mr. Lucas, from the committee on roads, to whom was referred H. R. File No. 56, a bill for an act to locate a State road from the town of Primrose to Keokuk, reported the same back with one amendment, and recommended its passage.

The amendment was concurred in, and,

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and title agreed to.

Mr. Lucas, from the committee on roads, to which was referred H. R. File No. 67, an act to establish a State road from Winterset to Jefferson, in Green county, reported the same back, and recommended its passage, and,

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the bill read a third time, passed, and title agreed to.

Mr. Schram, from the committee on claims, to which was referred the claim of John Brown, reported Senate File No. 118, joint resolution relative to the claim of John Brown, as commissioner to locate a permanent seat of government,

Which was read a first and second times.

The question being on ordering the joint resolution to a third reading to-morrow, the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Cleaver, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Jordan, Love, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran Park,

Preston, Saunders, Schram, Test, Wilkinson and Mr. President—19.

NAYS.—Messrs. Browning, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Lucas, Needham, Ramsay, Shields, Thurston, Udell and Workman—11.

The bill ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

Mr. Matthews, from the committee on enrolled bills, reported Senate Files Nos. 31, 64, 37, 13, 16, 15, 3, 2 and 42, as correctly enrolled.

Mr. Preston, from the committee on the judiciary, to which was referred Senate File No. 72, a bill for an act to provide for the appointment of a reporter of the decisions of the Supreme Court, and other purposes, reported the same back and recommended its passage, and,

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the bill read a third time, passed, and title agreed to.

Mr. Preston, from the committee on the judiciary, to which was referred Senate File No. 44, a bill for an act regulating the pleadings in courts of justice, reported the same back, and recommended its passage.

On motion of Mr. Thurston,

The bill was referred to a select committee.

The President appointed Senators Thurston, Love and Needham, said committee.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Nourse, Chief Clerk:

MR. PRESIDENT—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives have passed the following:

House File No. 13, memorial to Congress.

House File No. 14, memorial and joint resolution.

House File No. 60, an act for the observance of the Sabbath.

House File No. 51, a bill for an act to authorize the election of a justice of the peace in Pleasant township, Monroe county, Iowa.

House File No. 63, an act to establish Brownsville school district.

House File No. 68, an act to organize the county of Ringgold.

In which they ask the concurrence of the Senate.

CHAS. C. NOURSE, *Clerk of H. of Rep.*

MR. PRESIDENT—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has refused to concur in the amendments of the Senate, made to House File No. 6, an act to provide for the location

of the seat of justice of Union county, so far as the same relates to striking out and inserting the names of the commissioners, and that the last amendment of the Senate to said bill, so far as it relates to the publication of the bill, has been concurred in by the House.

CHAS. C. NOURSE, *Clerk of the H. of Rep.*

Mr. Preston, from the committee on the judiciary, to which was referred Senate File No. 66, a bill for an act changing the times of holding courts in the first judicial district, reported the same back, and recommended its passage.

Agreed to, and the bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

Mr. Preston, from the judiciary committee, to which was referred Senate File No. 83, a bill for an act to provide for the publication of the reports of the decisions of the Supreme Court, reported by the Hon. George Green, reported the same back, and recommended its passage.

On motion of Mr. Love,

The bill was referred to a select committee of seven.

The President appointed Senators Love, Browning, Preston, Coolbaugh, Anderson, McCrary and Jordan, said committee.

On motion of Mr. Saunders,

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 to 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 and school lands of the State, and the fund arising therefrom, and report the same to the General Assembly.

On motion of Mr. Love,

The vote upon the passage of Senate File No. 72, a bill for an act to provide for the appointment of a reporter of the decisions of the Supreme Court, and other purposes, was reconsidered, and,

On his motion,

The bill was referred to the committee on the judiciary.

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until two o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK P. M.

Mr. Coop, on leave, presented the petition of D. D. Slaughter and twenty-six others, citizens of Keokuk county, in relation to the county seat of said county,

Which was referred to the select committee on that subject.

Mr. Schram, from the committee on engrossed bills, reported Senate File Nos, 58, 86, 60, and 94, as correctly engrossed.

Mr. Needham, from the select committee, to which was referred, Senate File No. 109, an act to incorporate Oskaloosa,

Reported the same back, and recommended its passage, and,

On his motion,

The 11th rule was suspended and the bill read a third time, passed, and title agreed to.

Mr. Hamilton, from the committee on public lands, to which was referred,

Senate File No. 9, an act concerning walls in common,

Reported the same back with sundry amendments, which were concurred in.

The bill was then ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time tomorrow.

Mr. Workman, from the select committee, to which was re-committed,

H. R. File No. 10, joint resolution, relative to constructing bridges and dams across Cedar, Wabesipinicon rivers and bridges across the Iowa river.

Reported the same back with one amendment, which was concurred in, and,

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended and the bill read a third time, passed and title agreed to.

Senate File No. 38, a bill for an act to alter the boundaries of the counties of Howard, Mitchell, Worth and Winnebago,

Was read a third time, passed, and title agreed to.

The President laid before the Senate a communication from Le Grand Byington, in relation to asylums for the mute, blind, or insane, which was read, and,

On motion of Mr. Coolbaugh,

Was referred to the committee on charitable institutions.

H. R. File No. 13, Memorial to Congress,

Was read a first and second time, and,

On motion of Mr. Shields,

The memorial was referred to the committee on internal improvements.

The following message was received the House of Representatives, by Mr. Nourse, Chief Clerk.

MR. PRESIDENT:—I herewith present for your signature the following bills, the same having passed both branches of the General Assembly, and been duly signed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, to-wit:

House File No. 12, a 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 Penora to Council Bluffs city.

Also, House File, No. 38, an act to authorize the county Judge of Clark county to vacate the burying ground of Oceola, in said county.

Also House File, No. 40, 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 Clare.

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk of the House of Rep.*

H. R. File No. 14, memorial and joint resolution,

Was read a first and second times, and,

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the memorial read a third time, passed, and title agreed to.

H. R. 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,

Was read a first and second times, and,

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and title agreed to.

H. R. File No. 60, a bill for the observance of the Sabbath,

Was read a first and second times, and,

On motion,

Referred to a select committee.

The President appointed Senators McCrary, Schram, and Browning said committee.

H. R. File No. 63, an act to establish Brownsville school district,

Was read a first and second times, and,

On motion,

Referred to the committee on schools.

H. R. File No. 68, an act to organize the county of Ringgold,

Was read a first and second times, and,

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended and the bill read a third time, passed, and title agreed to.

The House of Representatives having disagreed to the amendment made by the Senate to

Section 1, of H. R. File No. 6, an act to provide for the location of the seat of justice of Union county.

Mr. Test moved that the Senate recede from its amendment to said bill.

On this question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Fulton, Ramsey, Shields, Test and Thurston—5.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Clark, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Coop, Hamilton, Hillis, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, Needham, Park, Preston, Saunders, Schram, Udell, Wilkinson, Workman, and Mr. President—23.

The Senate refused to recede.

On motion of Mr. Anderson,

The Senate insisted upon its amendment to the first section of said bill.

The President appointed Senators Anderson, Test and Lucas a committee of conference upon said disagreements.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Nourse, Chief Clerk.

MR. PRESIDENT:

I am directed to inform the Senate that the House has concurred in the following resolution:

"*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.

Senate File No. 86, a bill for an act to regulate securities upon bonds of public officers, was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

Senate File No. 96, a bill for an act to relocate the seat of justice of Iowa county, was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Coolbaugh,

The vote upon the passage of H. R. File No. 32, was reconsidered, and on his motion, the bill was laid upon the table.

On motion of Mr. Preston,

Senate File No. 5, a bill for an act to repeal certain sections of an act to regulate the interest on money, was taken from the table.

On motion,

A call of the Senate was had, when it appeared that Senators McAchran and Schram were absent. Mr. Schram appearing,

On motion,

Mr. McAchran was excused, and the further proceedings under the call suspended.

Mr. Thurston offered the following amendment to the first section of the substitute for the original bill:

"That no rate of interest shall exceed ten per cent. per annum, and any person paying more than ten per cent. per annum, may collect back from any person to whom he may have paid any amount of interest over and above ten per cent. per annum, the amount so paid with two per cent. per month from the time such interest may have been paid, and the party receiving any interest over and above ten per cent. per annum, may be compelled to give evidence as to the amount of in-

terest received, and upon the refusal of the defendant to testify, the plaintiff may be examined as a competent witness in the case."

Upon which question the yeas and nays being demaned, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Ramsey, Schram and Thurston.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Browning, Clark, Cle ver, Coolbaugh, Coop, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, Needham, Park, Preston, Saunders, Shields, Test, Udell, Wilkinson, Workman and Mr. President—25.

The amendment was lost.

The question recurring upon the adoption of the substitute, the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Coop, Hillis, Jordan, McCrary, Park, Preston, Ramsay, Saunders, Thurston, Udell and Wilkinson—13.

NAYS.—Messrs. Birge, Clark, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Fulton, Hamilton, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, Needham, Schram, Shields, Test, Workman, and Mr. President—15.

The substitute was not adopted.

Mr. Browning moved that the further consideration of the subject be indefinitely postponed, on which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Hillis, Jordan, McCrary, Needham, Saunders, Schram, Thurston, Udell, Wilkinson, and Mr. President—12.

NAYS.—Messrs. Birge, Clark, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Coop, Fulton, Hamilton, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, Park, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test and Workman—16.

The motion was lost.

Mr. Test moved the Senate adjourn until 7 o'clock this evening,

Which was lost.

Mr. Browning moved the Senate adjourn until half past 9 o'clock to-morrow morning. Lost.

Mr. McCrary moved that the further consideration of Senate File No. 5, be postponed until the 4th day of July next.

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Coop, Hillis, Jordan, Lucas,

McCulloch, McCrary, Needham, Park, Schram, Thurston, Udell, Wilkinson and Mr. President—15.

NAYS.—Messrs. Birge, Clark, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Fulton, Hamilton, Love, Matthews, Preston, Ramsey, Saunders, Shields, Test and Workman—14.

The motion was decided in the affirmative, and the consideration of the bill postponed.

On motion of Mr. Preston,

The Senate adjourned till 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, Jan. 13, 1855.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the chaplain.

Mr. Cleaver presented the petition of 145 citizens of Columbus city, asking the passage of a prohibitory liquor law,

Which was referred to the select committee on that subject.

Also, the petition of 168 citizens of Columbus city, asking a Sabbath law,

Which was referred to the select committee upon that subject.

Also, the petition of 31 citizens of Washington county, asking the passage of a prohibitory liquor law.

Also, the petition of 117 citizens of Richmond, in Washington county, upon the same subject,

Which were referred to the select committee upon that subject.

Mr. Birge presented the petition of B. Tracy and 96 others, citizens of Jackson county, asking the passage of a law to prevent the sale of intoxicating liquors,

Which was referred to the select committee upon that subject.

Mr. Workman presented the petition of citizens of Iowa county, asking for an additional term of the District Court for said county,

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Thurston presented the petition of 43 citizens of Lee county, asking for a law to restrain swine from running at large,

Which was referred to the committee on agriculture.

Mr. Udell, on leave, introduced

Senate File No. 119, a bill for an act locating a State road from Centreville to Ottumwa,

Which was read a first and second times, and

On his motion, the 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

Mr. Test, on leave, introduced

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,

Which was read a first and second time, and

On his motion, the 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

Mr. Matthews, on leave, introduced

Senate File No. 121, a bill for an act locating a State road from Davenport, Scott county, to Bellevue, in Jackson county,

Which was read a first and second time, and

On his motion, referred to the committee on roads.

Mr. Preston, on leave, introduced

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,

Which was read a first and second time, and

On his motion, the 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

Mr. Fulton, on leave, introduced

Senate File No. 123, an act to amend an act, entitled an act providing for the election of supervisors,

Which was read a first and second time, and referred to the committee on roads.

Mr. Workman, on leave, introduced

Senate File No. 124, a bill for an act fixing the times of holding court in the fourth Judicial District,

Which was read a first and second time, and

On his motion, referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. McAchran gave notice that he would on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, introduce a bill to change the time of holding courts in the third Judicial District.

Mr. Hamilton, from the committee on public lands, to which was referred Senate File No. 47, a bill for an act to esablish a State Land

Office, reported the same back without amendment, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Test moved to strike out in the first section the words "appointed by the Governor, by and with the consent of the Senate," and insert "elected on the 1st day of April, A. D., 1855,"

On which question the yeas and nays were demanded, and being ordered, were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Birge, Browning, Clark, Cleaver, Coop, Hillis, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, Needham, Park, Preston, Ramsay, Schram, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Wilkinson, Workman and Mr. President--23.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Fulton, Matthews and McAchran—4.

The amendment was agreed to.

Mr. Love moved to amend the 1st section, by striking out the words "first of January," and insert the words "first Monday in May," which was agreed to.

Mr. Thurston moved to amend the first section, by striking out the word "appointed," and insert the word "elected." Agreed to.

Mr. Test moved to amend the second section, by striking out the words "swamp lands," in the second line,

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

NAYS.—Messrs. Lucas, Needham, Schram, Test, Thurston and Udell—6.

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Cleaver, Coop, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Jordan, Love, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Park, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Wilkinson, Workman and Mr. President—19.

The motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. Preston,

The third line of the fourth section was amended, by striking out "hereby appointed," and inserting "elected."

On motion of Mr. Hamilton,

The fifth line of the fifth section was amended, by striking out "first day of April next," and inserting "first Monday of May."

On motion of Mr. Birge,

The first line of the sixth section was amended, by striking out "day of April," and inserting "Monday in May."

Mr. Test moved to strike out the seventh section. Not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Preston,

The blank in section ten was filled with the words "twelve hundred."

Mr. Udell moved to strike out the twelfth section. Lost.

On motion of Mr. Hamilton,

The first sentence in the 13th section was stricken out, and also, the words "and" and "appointed" in the 4th line, and the word "elected" inserted in place of appointed.

On motion of Mr. Preston,

The word "bail" was stricken out in the 8th line of the same section.

On motion of Mr. Hamilton,

The 14th section was stricken out.

On motion of Mr. Love.

The bill was referred to a select committee, with instructions to report on Monday morning.

The President appointed Senators Love, Hamilton, Preston, Test and McCrary said committee.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by Mr. Nourse, Chief Clerk.

Mr. President—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives have passed House File No 100, an act to locate a State road from Albia to Newton, in Jasper county;

Also, House File No. 104, a bill to increase the terms of court in Dubuque county, in which they ask the concurrence of the Senate.

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk H. R.*

Mr. President—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives have passed Senate File No. 95, "a bill for an act to amend the charter of the city of Burlington," with the following amendments:

After the 7th section insert the following section:

"Section 8—The production of a printed copy of an ordinance of said city, in newspaper, book, or pamphlet form, in any suit to which the city is a party, shall be "*prima facia*" evidence that said ordinance has been legally passed and published."

Also, the addition of the following to the last section:

"And all acts or parts of acts conflicting with the provisions of this act be, and the same are hereby repealed,"

In which they ask the concurrence of the Senate.

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until two o'clock P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK P. M.

Mr. Hamilton, from the committee on charitable institutions, to whom was referred

H. R. File No. 47, a bill for an act to establish an asylum for the blind, approved Jan. 18, 1853.

Reported the same back and recommended its indefinite postponement.

On motion of Mr. Clark,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Hamilton, from the committee on charitable institutions, to which was referred

Senate File No. 52, a bill to amend an act entitled an act to establish an Asylum for the blind, approved Jan. 18, 1853,

Reported the same back with amendments, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Preston moved to refer the bill to a select committee of five.

Lost.

The amendments made by the committee were then concurred in.

Mr. Preston moved to amend the second section, by striking out the words:

"There shall be established at the Capitol of the State," in the first line, and inserting, "there shall be, and hereby is established at Iowa city, in Johnson county."

Which was not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Browning,

The second section was stricken out.

On motion of Mr. Hamilton,

The first section was amended so as to read as follows:

"That so much of an act entitled an act to establish an Asylum for the blind, approved Jan. 18, 1853, as conflicts with the provisions of this act, is hereby repealed."

The bill was then ordered to be engrossed and read a third time tomorrow.

Mr. Hamilton, from the committee on charitable institutions, to which was referred

Senate File No. 51, a bill to establish a State Institution for the deaf and dumb,

Reported the same back with amendments and recommended its passage.

The amendments were concurred in.

Mr. Saunders to amend the first section by striking out, "the Capital of the State," and inserting "Mount Pleasant in Henry county."

Not agreed to.

Mr. Preston moved to amend the first section by inserting the word "present" between the words "the" and "capital" in the second line.

Not agreed to.

Mr. Preston moved to amend the first section, by inserting the words, "is hereby" between the words "be" and "established" in the second line,

Not agreed to.

The bill was then ordered to be engrossed and read a third time tomorrow.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Nourse, Chief Clerk.

MR. PRESIDENT:—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives have passed the following bills:

Senate File No. 77, a bill donating a certain lot of ground therein named, to the first Presbyterian Church;

Also, House File No. 17, a joint resolution for certain mail services:

Also, House File, No 18, a joint resolution for mail services.

In which House Files they ask the concurrence of the Senate.

CHAS. C. NOURSE, *Clerk House Rep.*

Mr. Schram, from the committee on engrossed bills, reported as correctly engrossed Senate Files No's 59, 67, 71, 73, 78, 79, 81, 98, 118, 9 and 66.

Mr Birge, from the committee on incorporations, to which was referred Senate File No. 40, a bill for an act to amend chapter 44 of the

Code, reported the same back without amendment and recommended its passage.

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

Mr. Love, from the committee on the judiciary, to which was referred Senate File No, 99, an act to repeal chapter seventy-one of the acts passed at the session of the third General Assembly, reported the same back without amendment, and recommended its passage.

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

Mr. Love, from the committee on the judiciary, to which was referred Senate File No. 102, a bill for an act making certified copies of documents in the Surveyor General's office evidence in certain cases, reported the same back without amendment and recommended its passage.

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

Mr. Love, from the committee on the judiciary, to which was referred Senate File No. 101, a bill for an act to require mortgages of personal property to be deposited with the Township Clerk, reported the same back with one amendment and recommended its passage.

The amendment was concurred in.

The question being on engrossing and reading the bill a third time to morrow.

It was decided in the negative.

Mr. Thurston, from the committee on public buildings, to which was referred Senate File No. 116, an act repealing an act entitled an act vacating eertain streets and alleys in the town of Bentonsport, in Van Buren county, reported the same back without amendment and recommended its passage.

On motion of Mr. McCrary,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the bill read a third time, passed and title agreed to.

Mr. Hamilton, from the select committee, to which was referred Senate File No. 22, a bill for an act authorizing mill dams, reported the same back, with one amendment,

Which was concurred in.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Nourse, Chief Clerk.

MR. PRESIDENT:—I herewith present for your signature the following bills, the same having passed both branches of the General Assembly, and duly signed by the Speaker of the House, to wit:

House File No. 62. an act to locate the seat of justice of Adair county.

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, 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. 70, an act for the election of an additional justice of the peace in Knoxville, Marion county, Iowa.

Also, House File No. 67 an act to establish a State road from Winterset to Jefferson.

Also, House File No. 91, a bill to authorize the election of two additional justices of the peace in Julien township, Dubuque connty.

Also, House File No. 8, an act to amend chapter 21 of the Code.

Also, House File No. 92, an act to change the name of Newtown to Gosport.

CHAS. C. NOURSE, *Clerk House Rep.*

Mr. Birge, from the committee on incorporations, to which was referred Senate File No. 49, an act to incorporate the town of Lyons, reported the same back without amendment and recommended its passage,

On motion of Mr. Matthews,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and title agreed to.

Mr. McAchran, on leave, introduced Senate File No. 125, an act to amend chapter 209 of the Code of Iowa, which was read a first and second times, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Workman, from the committee on new counties, made the following report:

The committee on new counties, to whom was referred the petitions and remonstrances of sundry citizens of Benton and Iowa counties, asking for a new county, to be made out of parts of said counties, to be called "Kono," have instructed me to report adverse to the prayer of the petitioners, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration thereof.

The report was concurred in.

Mr. Workman, from the committee on new counties, to which was referred Senate File No. 111, an act to relocate the seat of justice of Decatur county, reported the same back, with sundry amendments, and recommended its passage.

The amendments were concurred in.

Mr. Anderson moved to indefinitely postpone the bill.

On which question, the yeas and nays were demanded, and being ordered, were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Fulton, Hillis, McCrary, McAchran, Needham, Schram and Wilkinson—9.

NAYS.—Messrs. Birge, Clark, Cleaver, Coop, Hamilton, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, Matthews, Park, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—16.

The motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. Love,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and title agreed to.

Mr. Workman, from the select committee, to which was referred 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, reported the same back, with amendments, and recommended its passage.

The amendments were concurred in, and the bill ordered to a third reading on to-morrow.

Mr. McCrary, from the select committee, to whom was referred House Representatives File No. 60, a bill for the observance of the Sabbath, reported the same back, without amendment, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Browning moved to amend the first section, by adding the following:

"*Provided* farther, That those who observe the seventh day the Sabbath or Lord's day, shall be exempt from a similar disturbance and persons being guilty of such disturbance or acts tending thereto, shall be punished as provided in this act. Any person wantonly interfering with, or disturbing any religious society whilst attending any house of worship, at any time, and upon any day of the week, shall be subject to a the penalties herein set forth."

The question being on the amendment,

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until 7 o'clock P. M.

SEVEN O'CLOCK P. M.

The question being on the proviso offered by Mr. Browning.

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Birge, Browning, Coolbaugh, Coop, Hamilton, Test and Udell—7.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Clark, Cleaver, Fulton, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, Needham, Park, Preston, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, Thurston, Wilkinson, Workman and Mr. President—20.

The motion was lost.

Mr. Fulton moved to insert the word "dancing," after the words "horse racing,"

On which motion, the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Clark, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Coop, Fulton, McCrary, Matthews, Preston, Saunders, Schram, Test, Thurston, Udell, Wilkinson, Workman and Mr. President—18.

NAYS.—Messrs. Browning, Hamilton, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, Needham, Park and Ramsay—9.

The motion was adopted.

Mr. Test, moved to strike out the proviso to the first section.

On which motion, the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Coolbaugh, Hamilton, Test and Wilkinson—4.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Browning, Clark, Cleaver, Coop, Fulton, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, Needham, Park, Preston, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—23.

The motion was lost.

Mr. Test, offered the following as an amendment to the first section of the bill.

"It shall also be regarded as a violation of the Sabbath, for Clergymen of any denomination, to preach political sermons on the Lord's Day."

On which the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Birge, Browning, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop and Test—6.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Cleaver, Fulton, Hamilton, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, Needham, Park, Preston, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, Thurston, Udell, Wilkinson, Workman and Mr. President—21.

The amendment was not agreed to.

Mr. Preston moved to amend, by striking out the words "riot and fighting," in the first section.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Anderson moved to suspend the 11th rule, and read the bill a third time now,

Which was not agreed to.

The question being, "shall the bill be ordered to a third reading?"

The yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Coop, Fulton, Jordan, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, Needham, Park, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, Thurston, Wilkinson and Workman—19.

NAYS.—Messrs. Browning, Clark, Hamilton, Love, Preston, Test, Udell and Mr. President—8.

The bill was ordered to a third reading, to-morrow.

Mr. Matthews, from the committee on enrolled bills, reported that they had presented Senate Files, Nos. 31, 64, 37, 13, 16, 15, 3, 2 and 42, to his Excellency the Governor for his approval.

Mr. Lucas, from the committee on roads, introduced

Senate File No. 126, a bill for an act to locate and establish a certain State road therein named,

Which was read a first and second times, and,

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended and the bill was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Mr. Browning, on leave, introduced

Senate File No. 127, a bill granting the right of way for construction of bridges in Iowa;

Which was read a first and second times, and,

On his motion,

Referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Lucas from the committee on roads, to which was referred the petition of W. B. Thompson and 43 others, citizens of Woodbury county, asking for a State road from Fort Dodge to the mouth of the Big Sioux, reported the same back, and asked to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The report was laid on the table, and the committee discharged.

The President laid before the Senate a communication from the foreman of the State printers,

Which was read and laid on the table.

The Senate 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.

H. R. File No. 17, joint resolution for the establishment of a mail route from Maquoketa, in Jackson county, to Colesburgh, in Delaware county,

Was read a first and second times, and,

On motion,

Ordered to be read a third time on Monday next.

H. R. File No. 18, memorial for additional mail service from Iowa City, via Warrenville, to Lancaster in Keokuk county,

Was read a first and second times, and,

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended and the memorial read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

H. R. File No. 77, a bill donating a certain lot of ground therein named to the First Presbyterian Church in Iowa City,

Was read a first and second times, and,

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

H. R. File No. 100, a bill for an act to locate a State road from Albia, in Monroe county to Newton, in Jasper county,

Was read a first and second times, and,

On motion of Mr. Hillis,

Referred to a select committee of three.

The President appointed Senaters Hillis, Preston, and Anderson said committee.

H. R. File No. 104, a bill to increase the terms of the District Courts in Dubuque county,

Was read a first and second times, and,

On motion of Mr. Hamilton,

Referred to the delegation from said county.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by Mr. Nourse, Chief Clerk.

MR PRESIDENT:—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives have passed the following:

House File No. 2, memorial and joint resolution asking a grant of land to aid in the construction of a railroad from the Mississippi to the Missouri river.

Also, House File, joint resolution No. 5, to procure additional mail facilities.

Also, House File, joint resolution No. 21, asking additional mail facilities in the interior of the State.

Also, House File, joint resolution No. 22, for mail facilities from Newtown to Chariton.

Also, Substitute for House File No. 18, an act fixing the terms of the District Court in the third judicial district.

Also, House File No. 33, an act to regulate the inspection of shingles and lumber.

Also House File No. 37, a bill to apportion the State and define the boundaries of Senatorial and Representative districts, &c.

Also, House File No. 46, a bill for an act to fix the time for holding courts in the ninth judicial district.

Also, House File No. 55, an act defining a bushel of sweet potatoes.

Also, House File No. 52, an act to amend section 2545, of chapter 136, of the Code of Iowa, in relation to jurors.

Also, House File No. 81, an act authorizing writs of attachment and actions against boats, to issue on Sunday.

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 the members of the General Assembly, and officers thereof.

Also. House File No. 97, an act to fix the times of holding the District Courts in the fifth judicial district.

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.

In all of which they ask the concurrence of the Senate.

CHAS. C. NOURSE, *Clerk of the House of Rep.*

H. R File No. 37, a bill to apportion the State, and define the boundaries of Senatorial and Representative districts, was read a first and second times, and,

On motion,

Referred to a select committee of seven.

H. R. File No. 21, joint resolution asking additional mail facilities in the interior of the State of Iowa, was read a first and second times, and,

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the joint resolution read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

H. R. File No. 22, was read a first and second times, and,

On motion of Mr. Hillis,

Was referred to a select committee of three.

The President appointed Senators Hillis, Matthews and Cleaver, said committee.

H. F. No. 52, a bill for an act to amend section 2545, of chapter 136, of the Code of Iowa, in relation to jurors, which was read a first and second times, and,

On motion of Mr. Love,

The further consideration thereof indefinitely postponed.

H. R. File No. 2, memorial and joint resolution, asking a grant of land to aid in the construction of a railroad from the Mississippi to the Missouri river, was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

Referred to the committee on internal improvements.

H. R. File No. 5, joint resolution to procure additional mail facilities, was read a first and second times, and,

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the joint resolution read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

H. R. File No. 18, a bill for an act fixing the terms of the District Court in the third judicial district, was read a first and second times and

On motion,

Referred to the delegation from said district.

H. R. File No. 33, a bill for an act to regulate the inspection of shingles and lumber, was read a first and second times, and,

On motion,

Referred to the committee on internal improvements.

H. R. File No. 46, a bill for an act to fix the time for holding courts in the ninth judicial district, was read a first and second times, and,

On motion,

Referred to the delegation from said judicial district.

H. R. File No. 55, a bill for an act defining a bushel of sweet potatoes, was read a first and second times, and,

On motion,

Referred to the committee on agriculture.

H. R. File No. 81, a bill for an act authorizing writs of attachment and actions against boats to issue on Sundays, was read a first and second times, and,

On motion,

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

H. R. File No. 90, a bill for 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, was read a first and second times, and,

On motion,

Referred to the committee on ways and means.

H. R. File No. 97, a bill for an act to fix the times of holding District Courts in the fifth judicial district, was read a first and second times, and,

On motion,

Referred to the delegation from said district.

H. R. 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, oopied for the use of Tama county, was read a first and second times, and,

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the bill read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

H R. File No. 98, an act to incorporate the city of Knoxville, Marion county, Iowa, was read a first and second times, and,

On motion of Mr. Hillis,

The bill was referred to a select committee.

The President appointed Senators Hillis, Needham and Coop, said committee.

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 third time, passed, and title agr eed to.

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, was read a third time, passed, and title agreed to.

Senate File No. 71, a bill for an act to amend chapter 38 of the Code of Iowa,

Was read a third time, passed, and title agreed to.

Senate File No. 73, a bill for an act concerning acknowledgments of deeds in other States and in foreign countries,

Was read a third time, passed, and title agreed to.

Senate File No. 78, a bill for an act to amend Chapter 52, passed January 24, 1848, and entitled "an act fixing the terms and places of of holding the District Courts in the first judicial districts," also, to amend section 1566 of chapter 92 of the Code of Iowa.

Being on its third reading, was,

On motion of Mr. Love, laid on the table.

Senate File No. 79, a bill for an act to establish a Recorder's office in Keokuk, Lee county, being on its third reading, was,

On motion of Mr. Love, laid on the table.

Senate File No. 81, a bill for an act making road certificates receivable for county taxes,

Was read a third time, passed, and title agreed to.

Senate File No. 98, a bill for an act to amend section 2534 of the Code, regulating the fees of Recorder,

Was read a third time, passed and title agreed to.

Senate File No. 118, joint resolution relative to the claim of John Brown as commissioner to locate a permanent seat of government,

Was read a third time, and the question being "shall the bill pass?"

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, Park, Preston, Saunders, Schram, Test, Thurston and Mr. President—18

NAYS.—Messrs. Browning, Clark, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Coop, Needham, Udell Wilkinson and Workman—9.

So the bill was passed, and its title agreed to.

Senate File No. 9, a bill for an act entitled an act respecting walls in common,

Was read a third time, passed, and title agreed to.

Senate File No. 66, a bill for an act changing the time of holding Courts in the first judicial district,

Was read a third time, passed, and title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Test,

The Senate adjourned until nine o'clock on Monday morning.

MONDAY MORNING, JAN. 15th, 1855.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Nourse, Chief Clerk:

MR. PRESIDENT—I am directed to inform the Senate that Messrs. Tracy, Yeoman, Corse, Dewey, of Fremont, and Lyon, have been appointed a committee of conference on the part of the House, to act with the committee on the part of the Senate, in the matter of disagreement upon certain amendments of the Senate to House File No. 6, an act to locate the county seat of Union county.

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk H. R.*

MR. PRESIDENT—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives have passed a substitute for House file No. 7, an act to locate the county seat of Blackhawk county in which they ask the concurrence of the Senate,

Also, that the House has passed Senate File No. 12, a memorial for a grant of lands to the Fort Madison and Bloomfield Railroad.

CAHRLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk H. R.*

The President announced Senators Preston, Hamilton, Love, Lucas, Coop, Wilkinson, and Jordan, as the select committee, to whom was referred H. R. File No. 37.

Mr. Schram presented the claim of John Remlin against the State.

Which was referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. McAcran presented the petition of John Elliott and sixty others, asking for a prohibitory liquor law,

Which was referred to the select committee on that subject.

Mr. McCullough, the remonstrance and petitions of 700 citizens of Lee county, remonstrating against the establishment of a Recorder's office in Keokuk, in said county; also, asking the passage of a law relocating the seat of justice of said county,

Which were referred to the delegation from Lee county.

Mr. Thurston presented the remonstrance from 100 citizens of Mitchell county, remonstrating against any new territory being attached to said county,

Which was referred to the delegation from that district.

Mr. McCrary presented the petition of sundry citizens of Iowa, praying the passage ot the prohibitory liquor law,

Which was referred to the select committee on that subject.

Mr. Preston presented the petition of A. G. White and 97 others, citizens of Iowa, praying the passage of a prohibitory liquor law,

Which was referred to the select committee on that subject.

Mr. Hillis gave notice that he would on to-morrow, or some future day, ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 715, chapter 45, of the Code.

Mr. Test presented the petition of S. G. Morrison and 25 others, citizens of the State, praying the location of a State road from Wahtawah, in Adair county, to Council Bluffs city.

Which was referred to a select committee.

The President appointed Senators Test, Lucas and Udell said committee.

Mr. McAchran gave notice that he would on some subsequent day introduce

A bill to prohibit the carrying of concealed weapons,

Also, a bill to amend Chapter 136 of the Code.

Mr. Shields, from the committee on ways and means, to which was referred

H. R. 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,

Reported the same back without amendment and recommended its passage.

The bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

Mr. Schram, from the committee on engrossed bills, reported Senate files Nos. 52 and 99 as correctly engrossed.

Mr. Clark, from the committee on the State Library, to which was referred

Senate file No. 90, a bill regulating the State Library,

Reported a substitute for the same, and recommended its passage.

On motion of Mr. Browning,

The substitute was amended by adding the following proviso to section 7;

"*Provided*, That during the terms of the Supreme Court of the State, or the Federal Court, the Judges and Attorneys may be permitted to take and use any number of books needed on the trial of causes, provided said books shall not be taken from the seat of government, and shall be returned according to law."

The substitute, as amended was then adopted.

On motion of Mr. Preston,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill read a third time, passed, and title agreed to.

Mr. McAchran, from the select committee, to which was referred

Senate File No. 85, an act attaching the duties of Recorder of deeds to the school fund commissioner and defining his duties,

Reported a substitute for the same, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Preston moved to amend the substitute by adding the following proviso to the first section:

"*Provided*, That the Recorder hereafter elected shall be *ex-officio* school fund commissioner, and perform all the duties of that office."

On motion of Mr. Hamilton,

The bill and substitute were referred to a select committee of five.

The President appointed Senators Hamilton, Preston Clark, McAchran, and McCrary, said committee.

Mr. Anderson, from the select committee, to which was referred

H. R. File No. 5, a bill to suppress intemperance,

Reported the same back without amendment, recommended its passage.

On motion of Mr. Test,

The bill was made the special order for two o'clock this afternoon, in the committee of the whole.

Mr. Hogan, from the select committee, to which was referred

The petitions of citizens of Keokuk county, in relation to the seat of justice of said county, reported

Senate File No. 128, a bill for an act to relocate the county seat of Keokuk county,

Which was read a first and second times; and,

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed and its title agreed to.

Mr. Park presented the petition of James York and 51 others, praying the passage of a law restraining certain male stock from running at large,

Which was referred to the committee on agriculture.

Mr. Lucas, from the committee on roads, made the following report.

The committee on roads to whom was referred

The petition of Lewis Hunnot and fifty-six others, citizens of Dallas county, for a State road therein named, have had the same under consideration, and report the same back to the Senate, recommend its indefinite postponement, and ask to be discharged from further consideration of the petition.

The report was concurred in.

Mr. Lucas, from the committee on roads, made the following report:

The committee on roads to whom was referred

The petition of R. M. Wilson and 23 others, praying for a State road from Oskaloosa, south to the State line of Missouri, in the direction of St. Joseph, have had the same under consideration, report it back, recommending its indefinite postponement, and ask to be relieved from the further charge of the petition.

The committee were discharged, and

On motion of Mr. Needham,

The petition was referred to a select committee.

The President appointed Senators Needham, Udell and Hillis, said committee.

Mr. Anderson, from the select committee, to which was referred,

Senate File No. 115, a bill for an act locating a certain road,

Reported the same back, with a substitute therefor, which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Anderson,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill read a third time, passed, and title agreed to.

Mr. Lucas, from the committee on roads, made the following report:

The committee on roads to whom was referred the petition of T. E. Bottsford, and 47 others, citizens of the State of Iowa, asking for a State road from Montezuma, in Poweshiek county, to Knoxville, Marion county, have had the same under consideration, and report it back to the Senate, and recommend its indefinite postponement, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The report was concurred in.

Mr. Lucas, from the committee on roads, to which was referred,

Senate File No. 121, a bill for an act locating a State road from Davenport, Scott county, to Bellevue, Jackson county,

Reported the same back with one amendment, and asked to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The amendment was concurred in.

Mr. Birge offered the following as a substitute for section 3, of the bill:

"SEC. 3. *Provided*, The expenses of locating said road shall be paid by the counties of Scott and Clinton,"

Which was lost.

Mr. Birge moved to amend the first section by striking out the words "Bellevue in" and inserting "the south line of,"

Which was lost.

Mr. Fulton moved to amend by striking out the words "Davenport in Scott county."

Which was lost.

Mr. Birge moved to indefinitely postpone the bill.

Lost.

Mr. Birge moved to lay the bill on the table.

Lost.

Mr. Birge moved to refer the bill to a select committee of three.

Lost.

On motion of Mr. Matthews,

The eleventh rule was suspended and the bill was read a third time, passed, and title agreed to.

H. R. File No. 7, an act to locate the county seat of Blackhawk county,

Was read a first and second times, and,

On motion of Mr. Shields,

The bill was referred to a select committee.

The President appointed Senators Shields, Hamilton and Thurston said committee.

On motion of Mr. Needham,

Senate File No. 18, an act providing for the revision or amendment of the Constitution of this State,

Was taken from the table.

The question being on concurring in the amendments made by the committee of the whole.

The first amendment was concurred in.

And the question being on concurring in the second amendment made by the committee, to wit: to strike out the word "three" in the eighth section.

On which question the yeas and nays were demanded, and being ordered, were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Birge, Clark, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Coop, Lucas, McCulloch, Park, Ramsay, Test, Thurston, Udell and Wilkinson —13.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Browning. Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Jordan, Love, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Needham, Preston, Saunders, Schram, Shields, Workman and Mr. President —18.

The amendment was not concurred in.

Mr. Saunders moved to amend the eighth section in the second line, by inserting after the word "day," "for thirty days, and after thirty days they shall receive one dollar per day."

On which the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Coolbaugh, Jordan, McCulloch, McCrary, Park, Saunders, Schram, Test and Thurston—11.

NAYS.—Messrs. Browning, Clark, Cleaver, Coop, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Love, Lucas, Matthews, McAchran, Needham, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Udell, Wilkinson, Workman and Mr. President—20.

The amendment was not agreed to.

Mr. Anderson moved to reconsider the vote refusing to strike out the word "three" in the eighth section,

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Cleaver, Coolbough, Coop, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, Park, Ramsay, Saunders, Test, Thurston and Wilkinson—14.

NAYS.—Messrs. Browning, Clark, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McAchran, Needham, Schram, Shields, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—16.

The motion was not agreed to.

Mr. Test moved to amend the eighth section of the bill, so as to reduce the pay of the members of the convention after a session of forty days, to one dollar per day.

On which motion, the yeas and nays were demanded, and being ordered were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Coolbaugh, McCulloch, McCrary, Park, Saunders, Test and Thurston—9.

NAYS.—Messrs. Browning, Clark, Cleaver, Coop, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Love, Lucas, Matthews, McAchran, Needham, Preston, Ramsay, Schram, Shields, Udell, Wilkinson, Workman and Mr. President—21.

Mr. Coolbaugh moved to amend the eighth section, so as to reduce the pay of the members of the convention, after a session of fifty days, to one dollar per day.

Mr. Udell moved to amend the amendment by striking out "fifty," and inserting one hundred.

On which motion the yeas and nays were demanded, and being ordered, were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Coolbaugh, Fulton, Test and Thurston—1.

NAYS.—Messrs, Anderson, Birge, Browning, Clark, Cleaver, Coop, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Needham, Park, Preston, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, Shields, Udell, Wilkinson, Workman and Mr. President—27.

The motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. Anderson,

The fourth section was amended by striking out "third Monday," and inserting "Tuesday after the first Monday."

On motion of Mr. Preston,

The eleventh section was amended by inserting between the words "amendments," and the words "a Journal of its proceedings."

Mr. Workman moved that the Senate adjourn.

On which motion the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Clark, Love, Lucas, Ramsay, Saunders, Shields, Test, Udell and Mr. President—9.

NAYS—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Browning, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Coop, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis Hogan, Jordan, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Needham, Park, Preston, Schram, Thurston, Wilkinson and Workman—22.

The motion was lost.

Mr. Browning moved the previous question, which motion was sustained, and the question being "shall the main question be now put?"

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Browning, Clark, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Jordan, Lucas, McCrary, Matthews, McAchron, Park, Preston, Udell, Wilkinson, Workman and Mr. President—21.

NAYS.—Messrs. Coop, Love, McCulloch, Needham, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, Shields, Test and Thurston—10.

It was decided in the affirmative, and the question being "shall the bill be engrossed and read a third time?"

On motion of Mr. Needham,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the bill read a third time.

And the question being, "shall the bill pass?"

On which question, the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Browning, Clark, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Coop, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, McAchron, Needham, Park, Preston, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, Thurston, Udell, Wilkinson, Workman and Mr. President—29.

NAYS.—Messrs. Shields and Test—2.

The bill passed and its title was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Ramsay,

The Senate adjourned until 2 o'clock P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK P. M.

Mr. Coop, from the committee on agriculture, to whom was referred the memorial of the State Agricultural Society, on leave, reported Senate File 129, a bill for an act establishing an agricultural bureau at the Capitol of the State, and defining the duties and powers of its officers and agents, and

On his motion,

The reading was suspended, and the bill ordered to be laid on the table, and the usual number of copies printed for the use of the General Assembly.

Mr. Schram, from the committee on engrossed bills, on leave reported Senate File No. 51, a bill for an act to establish a State institution for the deaf and dumb, as correctly engrossed.

Mr. Thurston, by unanimous consent, introduced Senate File No. 130, a bill for an act to amend the charter of the town of Fort Madison, which was read a first and second times, and

On his motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the bill read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Mr. Birge, from the committee on incorporations, to which was referred House Representative File No. 44, an act to amend the charter of the city of Davenport, reported a substitute for the same.

Mr. Matthews offered a substitute for the substitute reported by the committee.

Mr. Shields moved to recommit the bill and substitutes to the committee on incorporations.

Which was not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Matthews,

The bill and substitutes were referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Shields, on leave, presented the account of D. H. and O. Startsman, for gold pens furnished the Senate.

Also, the claim of W. H. Morrison, for expenses incurred in locating the 500,000 acre grant, which were referred to the committee on claims.

On motion of Mr. Coolbaugh,

The Senate resolved itself into a committee of the whole for the consideration of House Representatives File No. 5, a bill to suppress intemperance.

Mr. McAchran, in the chair.

After some time, the committee rose and asked leave to sit again.

Mr. Needham presented the petition of 560 cititizens of the State, in favor of a prohibitory liquor law, which was referred to the committee of the whole Senate.

On motion of Mr. Needham,

The Senate resumed, in committee of the whole, the consideration of H. R. File No. 5, a bill to suppress intemperance,

Mr. McAchran in the Chair,

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and reported the bill back to the Senate with sundry amendments,

The amendments to the 5th section were concurred in.

The amendment to the third section was not concured in.

Mr. Test moved to strike out, in the 7th and 8th lines of the first seotion, the words "ale, porter, lager beer and cider."

On this motion, the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Browning, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Hamilton, Hogan, Love, McCulloch, Park, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—15.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Cleaver, Fulton, Hillis, Jordan, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Needham, Preston, Ramsay, Saunders Schram and Wilkinson—15.

The amendment was lost.

Mr. Schram moved to strike out the last proviso to the first section, and insert the following:

"*Provided*, That they be not poisoned or drugged, and which being drugged or poisoned, shall bring any kind of liquor within the provisions of this act."

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Birge, Clark, Coolbaugh, Hamilton, Hogan, Love, McCulloch, Ramsay, Schram, Shields, Test, Thurston, Workman and Mr. President—14.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Cleaver, Coop, Fulton, Hillis, Jordan, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Needham, Park, Preston, Saunders, Udell and Wilkinson—16.

The amendment was not agreed to.

Mr. Test moved to insert after the word "cider" in the 8th line of the first section, the words "Scheidam Schnapps"

Which was lost.

On motion of Mr. Shields,

The Senate adjourned until 7 o'clock.

Seven o'clock P. M.

H. R. File No. 5, being under consideration.

Mr. Thurston moved to amend the second section by adding the following proviso:

"*Provided*, That nothing in this act shall be construed to forbid the manufacture and sale of high wines in this State."

Mr. Workman moved a call of the Senate, which was had. Senators Hillis and Ramsey were found to be absent.

Mr. Hillis appearing.

On motion of Mr. Hamilton,

The further proceedings under the call were suspended,

The question being on the amendment offered by Mr. Thurston,

The yeas and nays being demanded were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Browning Coolbaugh, Coop, Hamilton, Hogan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, Schram, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—15.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Clark, Cleaver, Fulton, Hillis,

Jordan, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Needham, Park, Preston, Saunders and Wilkinson—15.

The amendment was lost.

Mr. Preston moved a re-consideration of the vote just taken upon the amendment offered by Mr. Turston,

Which was agreed to.

The question being on the amendment offered by Mr. Thurston.

Mr. Thurston offered the following as a substitute therefor:

Provided, That nothing contained in this law shall prevent any person or persons from manufacturing in this State liquors for the purpose of being sold according to the provisions of this act, to be used for mechanical or medicinal purposes."

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Test moved to amend the third section by striking out the word "sacramental."

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Saunders moved to amend the sixth section, by striking out, in the 5th line the words "until the same be paid," and inserting the words, "ten days, unless the same be sooner paid."

Also, to amend the same section in the 7th line by striking out "until the same be paid" and inserting "thirty days, unless the same be sooner paid."

Which were agreed to.

Mr. Hamilton moved to amend by striking out the 13th section.

On this question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Browning, Clark, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Coop, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, Needham, Park, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—22.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Jordan, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Saunders, Schram and Wilkinson—8.

The amendment was agreed to.

Mr. Birge moved to amend the bill by striking out the 19th section, and inserting the following:

"SEC. 19. This act shall take effect on the first day of December, A. D. 1856, unless it shall sooner take effect as provided for in the next section.

"SEC. 20. At the April election, to be holden on the first Monday

in April, A. D. 1855, the question of prohibiting the sale and manufacture of intoxicating liquor, shall be submitted to the legal voters of this State; and at said April election a poll shall be opened for that purpose at the place of election in each township of each county; the vote on said question shall be by ballot, and the voters in favor of such prohibition shall cast a ballot, whereon shall be written or printed the words '*For Prohibitory Liquor Law*,' and the voters opposed to such prohibition, shall cast a ballot, whereon shall be written or printed the words '*Against the Prohibitory Liquor Law.*' The said ballots shall be received and canvassed by the judges of election in the same manner as ballots for the election of officers, and a return of the same shall be made to the County Judge, in the same manner and at the same time as provided for in the election of officers at the April election; said return shall be treated by the county canvassers in the same manner as returns for the election of officers; and an abstract of said vote, made upon a separate sheet, shall be forwarded to the Secretary of State, in the same manner and at the same time as provided for in the case of abstracts of votes for Superintendent and District Court Judges, elected at any April election. The returns of said vote so returned to the office of the Secretary of State, shall be opened and examined by the board of State canvassers, in the same manner and at the same time as in case of the returns of the election of officers had at said April election. Immediately after such examination and canvass, the said board of State canvassers shall make and publish an official statement of said vote; and if it shall appear from such official statement, that a majority of the votes cast as aforesaid, upon said question of prohibition, shall be '*For the Prohibitory Liquor Law*,' then this act shall take effect on the first day of July, A. D. 1855:

"*Provided, however*, That those portions of this act having relation to the election provided for in this section, shall be in force from and after its publication in the Iowa Capital Reporter and the Iowa Republican."

Mr. Test moved to amend the amendment by striking out section 19.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Love moved the previous question,

Which was sustained, and the question being "shall the main question be now put?"

It was decided in the affirmative.

The main question being upon the amendment as amended, the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Birge, Browning, Clark, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Coop, Hamilton, Hogan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, Needham, Park, Ramsay, Saunders, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell and Workman—20.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Fulton, Hillis, Jordan, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Preston, Schram, Wilkinson and Mr. President—11.

The amendment as amended was agreed to.

The question being on ordering the bill to a third reading, the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Senators Anderson, Birge, Cleaver, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, Mathews. McAchran, Needham, Park, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, Thurston, Udell, Wilkinson and Workman—23.

NAYS.— Senators Browning, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Preston, Shields, Test and Mr. President—8.

The bill was ordered to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Preston,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and

The question being shall the bill pass, the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows :

YEAS—Senators Anderson, Birge, Cleaver, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Needham, Park, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, Thurston, Udell, Wilkinson and Workman—23,

NAYS.—Senators Browning, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Preston, Shields, Test and Mr. President—8.

The bill was passed and the title agreed to.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by Mr. Nourse, Chief Clerk.

MR. PRESIDENT—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives have passed a substitute of the Senate for House File, joint resolution, No. 10, with the following amendment:

Strike out of the title all after the word bridges, and insert, "and dams across certain rivers."

Also, House substitute for House File, joint resolution appointing Trustees of the State University.

Also, House File No. 75, a bill for an act annexing a proviso to section 1898, of the Code of Iowa.

Also, House File, No. 79, an act granting mileage to the Trustees of the State University.

Also, House File, No. 80, for the relief of Hugh Loynachan.

Also, House File, No. 101, a bill to amend section 638, chapter 41 of the Code of Iowa.

Also, House File No. 106, a bill to encourage agriculture and the mechanic arts, in Johnson county.

Also, House File No. 120, an act providing for an aditional 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 Gutenberg.

Also, House File No. 125, an act providing for an additional justice of the peace in Penauch township, Dallas county.

Also, House File, joint resolution, No. 19, a memorial to Congress to establish a garrison at, or near the mouth of the Big Sioux river in Iowa.

In all of which they ask the concurrence of the Senate.

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk H. Rep.*

MR. PRESIDENT—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives have passed Senate File No. 54, a bill for an act granting an escheat.

Also, Senate File, No. 62, memorial to Congress for a grant of land from Congress for a homestead.

Also Senate File No. 93, a bill for an act to separate records of town lots.

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk H. Rep.*

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

TUESDAY, January 16, 1855.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the chaplain.

Mr. Shields introduced the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Senate will not receive any new business after Thursday the 18th inst., without the unanimous consent of the Senate.

Mr. Test moved to amend the resolution, by striking out "Thursday the 18th," and inserting "Saturday the 20th," which was lost.

The question being on adopting the resolution, it was agreed to.

Mr. Hamilton, from the committee on the judiciary, made the following report :

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred House File No. 44 and substitute, and substitute for substitute, have had the same under consideration, and report the same back to the Senate, and ask the concurrence of the Senate in an amendment to the substitute, and recommend its passage.

Which report was concurred in.

The question being on adopting the substitute,

Which was agreed to,

On motion, the 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

Mr. Hamilton, from the select committee to which was referred Senate File No. 47, a bill to establish a State Land Office, with a Register thereof, and to define his duties,

Reported a substitute therefor, and recommended its passage.

On motion of Mr. Browning,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Anderson, on leave, introduced

Senate File No. 131, a bill for an act regulating the salaries of certain officers in Monroe county,

Which was read a first and second time, and

On motion of Mr. Needham,

The bill was referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Test, from the special committee to which was referred the petition on the subject, reported

Senate File No. 132, a bill for an act to locate a State road from Wahtawah, in Adair county, to Iranistan, in Cass county, which was read a first and second time, and

On motion, the 11th rule was suspended, and the bill read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Mr. Matthews, from the committee on enrolled bills, reported

Senate File Nos. 12 and 95, as correctly enrolled.

Mr Coop, from the committee on agriculture, reported

Senate File No. 133, an act affording aid and patronage to the State Agricultural Society,

Which was read a first and second time, and

On motion, the 11th rule was suspended, and the bill read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Mr. Preston, from the committee on schools, made the following report:

The committee on Schools, to whom was referred at an early day of the session, a resolution of the Senate, instructing your committee to inquire into the expediency of revising and consolidating the school laws of this State, with such amendments as should be deemed necessary, have had the same under consideration, and instructed me to report—That your committee have delayed acting in the premises until this late day of the session, for the purpose of examining the Biennial Report of the Hon. Thomas H. Benton, Superintendent of Public Instruction. But, as your committee have been unable, up to this date, to procure said report, or to avail themselves of any official information of the practical effect and operation of the present school laws. Your committee, therefore, considering the complicated character of the school laws of this State, the time necessary to be employed in revising the same, and the limited time allowed before the adjournment of the present session, deem it inexpedient to attempt any alteration of the present school laws. Your committee, therefore, ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

I. M. PRESTON, *Chairman*.

The report was adopted and committee discharged.

Mr. Hillis, from the select committee, to which was referred

H. R. File No. 22, joint resolution for mail facilities from Newton to Chariton,

Reported the same back with one amendment, and recommended its passage.

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,													NOT REPORTED.		NOT REPORTED.	44 31	44 31
Alamakee,					J. J. Shaw,	9 98	J. J. Shaw,	52 98			J. J. Shaw,	60 33			J. J. Shaw,	880 23	1,003 52
Adair,															NOT REPORTED.		
Appanoose,					John Overstreet,	12 35	John Overstreet,	82 8	John Overstreet,	381 96	John Overstreet,	253 74	John Overstreet,	389 53	John Overstreet,	1,117 90	2,237 56
Benton,									W. R. Johnson,	17 74	W. R. Johnson,	160 95	W. R. Johnson,		W. R. Johnson.	787 3	960 72
Black Hawk,													A. Dow,	34 83	A. Dow,	644 75	679 58
Bremer,													John Hunter,	14 28	John Hunter,	356 31	370 59
Boone,											J. Dunn,	5 42	J. Dunn,		J. Dunn,	387 1	392 43
Buchanan,			John Leslie,	1 70	John Leslie,	1 40	John Leslie,	4 52	John Leslie,	5 72	John Leslie,	7 57			John Leslie,	739 82	760 77
Butler,															NOT REPORTED.	70 51	70 51
Cass,													B. Bales,	72 41	B. Bales,		72 41
Clarke,											E. G. Sampson,	46 55			E. G. Sampson,	414 93	461 48
Cedar,					J. C. Bets,	66 48	J. C. Bets,	156 24	J. C. Bets,	21 64	J. C. Bets,	162 53			J. C. Bets,	4,353 13	2,759 2
Chickasaw,													NOT REPORTED.		NOT REPORTED.	270 18	270 18
Clayton,											S. L. Peck,	125 48	S. L. Peck,	659 57	S. L. Peck,	2,395 41	3,180 46
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,							John W. Hays,	7 77	John W. Hays,	54 2	John W. Hays,	8 68			John W. Hays,	542 3	612 50
Davis,	W. S. Stevens,	7 16	W. S. Stevens,	23 48	W. S. Stevens,	59 43	W. S. Stevens,	94 73	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,							John Jordan,	54 91	John Jordan,				John Jordan,	1 30	John Jordan,	504 82	561 3
Delaware,							Z. A. Wellman,	87 52	Z. A. Wellman.	2 44					Z. A. Wellman,	946 93	1,036 89
Des Moines,			J. Arrack,	143 4	J. Arrack,	371 45	J. Arrack.	414 44	J. Arrack,	17 72	J. Arrack,		J. Arrack,	471 85	John Arrack,	5,587 91	7,006 41
Dubuque,													M. O'Brien,	198 99	M. G'Brien,	6,738 3	6,937 2
Fayette,									E. C. Byam,	131 70			E. C. Byam,	53 71	E. C. Byam,	496 30	681 71
Fremont,											J. J. Singleton.	15 16			J. J. Singleton,	283 11	298 27
Guthrie,													Wm. C. Jones,	53 81	Wm. C. Jones,	220 13	273 94
Greene,															NOT RRPORTED.	38 83	38 83
Hardin,															S. Smith,	94 48	94 48
Harrison,													NOT REPORTED.		NOT REPORTED.		
Henry,							W. S. Viney, for '48, '49, '50,	58 75							W. S. Viney,	2,899 44	2,958 19
Iowa,													R. McKee,	12 25	R. McKee,	821 27	833 52
Jackson,					Joseph H. Smith,	305 8	Joseph H. Smith,	322 62	Joseph H. Smith,	442 82	Joseph H. Smith,	266 50	John Pope,	80 41	John Pope,	2,938 5	4,355 48
Johnson,							S. B. Gardner,	57 15					S. B. Gardner,	503	S. B. Gardner.	3,308 92	3,869 7
Jones,											J. J. Huber,	440 49	J. J. Huber,	173 83	J. J. Huber,	1,345 5	1,959 37
Jasper,			Adam T. Ault.	10 70	Adam T. Ault,	24 43	Adam T. Ault,	32 6	Adam T. Ault,	10 86	A. T. Ault,	31 89	A. T, Ault,	226 56	Adam T. Ault,	1,208 27	1,544 77
Jefferson,	Henry P. Warren,	*47 30	H. P. Warren,	28 48	H. P. Warren,	38 81	H. P. Warren,	86 54	H. P. Warren,	37 34	H. P. Warren,	29 27	H. P. Warren,	59 29	H. P. Warren,	2,014 86	2,341 89
Keokuk,					H. T. Smith,	32 70	H. T. Smith,	46 80	H. T. Smith,	49 26	H. T. Smith,	31 71	H. T. Smith,		H. T. Smith,	1,962 34	2,122 81
Lee,	R. McFarland,	263 37	R. McFarland,	310 75	R. McFarland.	612 24	R. McFarland;	440 97	R. McFarland,	418 92	R. McFarland,	273 91	R. McFarland,	72 11	R. McFarland,	6,633 41	9,025 68
Linn,	Isaac Cook,	13 63	Isaac Cook.	48 14	Isaac Cook,	57 48	Isaac Cook,	117 31	Isaac Cook,	8 1	Isaac Cook,		Isaac Cook,	91 21	Isaac Cook,	3,441 81	3,777 59
Lucas,													S. W. Wathall,	48 85	S. W. Wathall,	519 65	568 50
Louisa,	I. C. Tucker, for '47, '48, '49, '50,			585 40			Sam'l. Townsend,	40 54	J. C. Tucker,	80 59	J. C. Tucker,	112 71	J. C. Tucker,	40 54	J. C. Tucker,	2,354 51	3,214 29
Madison,							G. M. Wilson,	11 27	G. M. Wilson,	4 7	G. M. Wilson,	75 59	G. M. Wilson,	14 2	G. M. Wilson,	938 22	1,043 17
Mahaska,															H. Blackburn,	2,536 29	2,536 29
Marion,							David Stanfield	142 99			D. Stanfield,	63 95			David Stanfield,	2,063 21	2,270 15
Mills,									C. W. Tolles,	38 69	C. W. Tolles,	96 40	A. Richardson,	120 43	A. Richardson,	415 56	671 8
Monroe,							D. Judson,	184 62			John Webb,	68 97			John Webb,	915 13	1,168 72
Montgomery,															NOT REPORTED.	20 66	20 66
Monona,															" "	16 1	16 1
Marshall,											F. Hauser,	15 40	F. Hauser,	25 36	F. Hauser,	451 5	491 81
Muscatine,	A. T. Banks,	46 36	A. T. Banks,	79 28	A. T. Banks,	150 93	A. T. Banks,	195 7			A. T. Banks,	3 56	A. T. Banks,	55 66	A. T. Banks,	4,125 66	4,656 52
Page,											C. McBee,	2 94	C. McBee,	4 99	C. McBee,	136 88	144 81
Polk,	Samuel Grey,	32 94	Samuel Grey,	78 60	Samuel Grey,	67 91	Samuel Grey.	222 11	Samuel Grey,	383 25	Samuel Grey,	211 39	Samuel Grey,	283 2	Samuel Grey,	1,732 87	3,012 9
Pottawattamie,									W. D. Turner,	248 12	W. D. Turner,	233 79	Wm. D. Turner,	188 40	Wm. D. Turner,	797 27	1,467 58
Poweshiek,															H. M. Taylor,	895 40	895 40
Scott,													Hiram Price,	1541 13	Hiram Price,	4,801 45	6,342 58
Story,													John Zeiner,	19 1	John Zeiner,	165 68	184 69
Shelby,													NOT REPORTED.		NOT REPORTED.	28 30	28 30
Tama,													John Ross,	14 4	John Ross,	345 75	359 79
Taylor,									J. K. Miller,	19 56	J. K. Miller,	26 77	NOT REPORTED.	28 22	NOT REPORTED.		74 55
Van Buren,					T. Rankin,	203 32	T. Rankin,	275 28	T. Rankin,	250 90	T. Rankin,	125 1	T. Rankin,	106 54	T. Rankin,	2,878 33	3,839 38
Union,													NOT REPORTED.		NOT REPORTED.	13 11	13 11
Washington,											W. H. Jenkins,	67 31			W. H. Jenkins,	2,314 53	2,381 84
Wayne,									Geo. Garman,	16 42	Geo. Garman,	17 50	Geo. Garmae,	7 23	Geo. Garman.	208 41	249 56
Wapello,	James Pomroy,	48 26	James Pomroy,	153 44	James Pomroy,	259 98	James Pomroy,	731 14	James Pomroy,	242 82					Jas. Pomroy,	1,922 88	3,358 52
Warren,					G. Brinkerhoof,	11 58	G. Brinkerhoof.	25 56	G. Brinkerhoof,	26 25			G. Brinkerhoof,	85 14	NOT REPORTED.		148 53
Webster,															John Tollman,	111 45	111 45
Winneshiek,									Thomas Hazlett,	24 51	Thomas Hazlett,	34 18			Thomas Hazlett,	1,056 38	1,115 7
Woodbury,													NOT REPORTED.		NOT REPORTED.		
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.

The amendment was concurred in,

On motion of Mr. Coop,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and title agreed to.

Mr. Coop, from the committee on agriculture, to which was referred

H. R. File No 55, an act defining a bushel of sweet potatoes,

Reported the same back without amendment, and recommended its passage.

On motion of Mr. Park,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Preston,

The report of the joint committee to visit the penitentiary, was taken from the table, and

Referred to the committee on public buildings.

Senate substitute for H. R. File No. 10, joint resolution relative to constructing bridges and dams across Cedar and Waubesepinicon rivers, and bridges across the Iowa river,

Having been returned from the House of Representatives, with an amendment to the title,

The Senate concurred in the amendment.

H. R. File No. 19, memorial to Congress to establish a garrison at or near the mouth of the Big Sioux river in Iowa.

Which was read a first and second times, and

On motion of Mr. Test,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the memorial was read a third time, passed, and title agreed to.

H. R. File No. 16, joint resolution appointing Trustees of the State University,

Which was read a first and second times, and

On motion of Mr. Preston,

Was referred to the committee on schools.

H. R. File No. 75, a bill for an act annexing a proviso to section 1898 of the Code of Iowa.

Was read a first and second times, and

Mr. Preston moved to indefinitely postpone the bill.

Lost.

On motion of Mr. Saunders,

The bill was referred to a select committee of three.

The President appointed Senators Saunders, Preston and Browning, said committee.

H. R. File No. 79, an act granting mileage to the Trustees of the State University.

Was read a first and second times, and

On motion of Mr. Park,

Was referred to the committee on schools.

H. R. File No. 80, a bill for an act for the relief of Hugh Loynachan.

Was read a first and second times, and

On motion of Mr. Preston,

Was referred to the committee on the judiciary.

H. R. File, No. 101, a bill to amend section 638, chapter 41 of the Code of Iowa,

Was read a first and second times, and

On motion of Mr. Schram,

Was referered to the committee on the judiciary,

H. R. File No. 106, a bill to encourage agriculture and the mechanic arts, in Johnson county,

Which was read a first and second times, and

Referred to the committee on agriculture.

H. R. File No. 120, an act providing for an additional justice of the peace in Liberty township, Jefferson county, Iowa.

Which was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and title agreed to.

H. R. File No. 121, an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the town of Guttenburg.

Which was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

H. R. File No. 125, an act for an additional justice of the peace in Penauch township, Dallas county.

Was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Love,

Senate File No. 19, an act entitled an act to amend the several acts in relation to a State Printer,

Was taken from the table, and

On motion,

Was referred to a select committee of three.

The President appointed Senators Needham, Workman and Fulton, said committee.

Mr. Shields presented the claim of H. C. Lacy, in reference to Indiana difficulties.

Which was referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Workman presented the account of the Iowa Capital Reporter office for papers furnished.

Which was referred to committee on claims.

On motion of Mr. Test,

The Senate resolved itself into committee of the whole, for the consideration of

H. R. File No. 12, an act to encourage the killing of wolves.

Mr. Coolbaugh in the chair,

After some time spent therein the committee rose, and by their chairman, reported the bill back to the Senate with sundry amendments.

Mr. Preston moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed,

On which question the yeas and nays were demanded, and being ordered, were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Birge, Browning, Clark, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Preston, Ramsay, Schram, Shields and Thurston—18.

NAYS—Messrs. Anderson, Coop, Hogan, Jordon, Love, Needham, Park, Saunders, Test, Udell Wilkinson, Workman and Mr. President.—13.

The bill was indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Saunders,

The Senate adjourned until 2 o'clock P. M.

Two O'clock P. M.

H. R. File No. 17, joint resolution for the establishment of a mail route from Maquoketa, in Jackson county, to Colesburg, in Delaware county,

Was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

H R. File No. 60, a bill for the observance of the Sabbath,

Was read a third time.

Mr. Hamilton moved to lay the bill upon the table,

On which question the yeas and nays were demanded, and being ordered, were as follow:

Yeas.—Messrs. Browning, Clark, Coop, Hamilton, Love, Lucas, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Udell and Mr President—12.

Yeas.—Messrs. Anderson, Coolbaugh, Fulton, Hillis, Hogan, Jordan, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Needham, Park, Saunders, Schram, Thurston, Wilkinson and Workman—17.

The motion was lost.

The question being upon the passage of the bill, the yeas and nays were demanded, and being ordered, were as follow:

Yeas.—Messrs. Anderson, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Fulton, Hillis, Hogan, Jordan, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Needham, Park, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, Thurston, Wilkinson and Workman—19.

Nays.—Messrs. Browning, Clark, Coop, Hamilton, Love, Lucas, Shields, Test, Udell and Mr. President—11.

H. R. 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.

Was read a third time.

Mr. Ramsay moved to lay the bill on the table,

Which was lost.

The question being "shall the bill pass?"

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follow:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Browning, Clark, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Coop, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, McAchran, Needham, Preston, Saunders, Schram, Shields, Udell, Wilkinson, Workman and Mr. President—26.

NAYS.—Messrs. Park, Ramsay, Test and Thurston—4.

The bill passed, and its title was agreed to.

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,

Was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Senate File No. 52, a bill for an act to amend an act, entitled "an act to establish an asylum for the Blind," approved Jan. 18th, 1853,

Was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Senate File, No. 22, a bill for an act authorizing mill dams,

Was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to,

Senate File No. 40, a bill for an act to amend chapter 44 of the Code,

Was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Senate File No 51, a bill for an act to establish a State Institution or the deaf and dumb,

Was read a third time.

Mr. Hamilton asked the unanimous consent of the Senate to amend the third section of the bill, by adding the following: "Said appropriation to be expended or not, at the discretion of the Trustees."

Which was agreed to.

The bill was passed, and its title agreed to.

Senate File No. 102, a bill for an act making certified copies of documents in the Surveyor General's Office, evidence in certain cases,

Was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Senate File No. 99, a bill for an act to repeal chapter 71, of the acts passed at the session of the third General Assembly,

Was read a third time passed, and its title agreed to.

Senate File No. 112, a bill for an act to create the office of district attorney for each judicial district,

Was read a third time.

Mr. Thurston moved to indefinitely postpone the bill,

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Birge, Clark, Cleaver, Coop, Jordan, Love, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, Needham, Park, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, Thurston, Udell, Wilkinson and Mr. President—18.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Coolbaugh, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Lucas, McAchran, Preston, Shields, Test and Workman—14.

The bill was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Browning, from the select committee, to which was referred,

Senate File No. 107, a bill for an act granting divorces, and the substitute therefor,

Reported the substitute back with one amendment, and recommended its passage.

The amendment was concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Love,

The substitute was amended by adding the following section:

"SEC. 6. So much of all previous acts as conflict with this act are hereby repealed"

The substitute as amended was then adopted.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Mr. Hamilton, from the committee on the judiciary, reported

Senate File No. 134, a bill for an act to attach the county of Cerro Gordo to the county of Floyd, for certain purposes,

Which was read a first and second time, and,

On motion,

Ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

Mr. Shields from the select committee, to which was referred,

H. R. File No. 7, an act to locate the county seat of Blackhawk county,

Reported the same back without amendment and recommended its passage.

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and title agreed to.

Mr. Browning, on leave, introduced

Senate File No. 135, a bill for an act to provide for the relinquishment of escheats,

Was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Preston from the committee on schools, to which was referred S. File No. 63, an act to establish Brownsville school district,

Reported the same back without amendment, and recommended its indefinite postponement.

The bill was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Preston from the committee on schools, to which was referred,

Senate File No. 41, a bill for an act to amend an act granting compensation to school fund commissioners,

Reported the same back and recommended its indefinate postponement.

The bill was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Preston, on leave, introduced,

Senate File No. 136, a bill for an act to amend chapter 187 of the Code of Iowa, relative to the Penitentiary of the State,

Which was read a first and second times, and,

On his motion,

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by Mr. Nourse, Chief Clerk.

MR. PRESIDENT:—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives have passed,

Senate File No. 73, a bill for an act concerning acknowledgments of deeds, &c.,

With the following amendment:

"SEC. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Iowa Capital Reporter and Iowa Republican in which they ask the concurrence of the Senate.

Also, that the House of Representatives have passed

Senate File No. 128, a bill for an act to re-locate the county seat of Keokuk county,

With the following amendment:

In SEC. 1st, strike out the word "forever," and insert "twenty years,"

In which they ask the concurrence of the Senate.

CHARLES C. NOURSE,
Clerk of the House of Rep.

Mr. Hamilton from the committee on the judiciary, to which was referred

H. R. File No. 81, an act authorizing writs of attachment and actions against boats to issue on Sunday,

Reported the same back and recommended its passage.

The bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

Mr. Hamilton, from the committee on judiciary, to which was referred,

Senate File No. 125, an act to amend chapter 209 of the Code of Iowa,

Reported the same back without recommendation.

On motion,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Thurston, on leave, introduced

Senate File No. 137. a bill for an act to amend chapter 187 of the Code.

Which was read a first and second time, and,

On his motion,

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Ramsay,

The Senate adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 17, 1855.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Barrows.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by Mr. Nourse, Chief Clerk :

MR. PRESIDENT :—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House have passed Senate File No. 1, a bill for an act for the relief of Geo. Cornwall, late of Lee county, deceased.

Also, Senate File No. 106, a bill for an act for the relief of Hawkins Taylor.

CHAS. C. NOURSE, *Clerk House Rep.*

MR. PRESIDENT :—I am directed by the House, to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives have passed House File No. 111,

"An Act in relation to county seats," in which they ask the concurrence of the Senate.

CHAS. C. NOURSE, *Clerk House Rep.*

Mr. Needham presented the petition of D. C. Dunlap, and 295 other citizens of Wapello county, praying for a stringent prohibitory liquor law, which was laid on the table.

Mr. Coop, from the committee on agriculture, to which was referred H. R. File No. 106, a bill to encourage agriculture, and the mechanic arts in Johnson county, reported the same back, and recommended its passage.

On motion of Mr. Coop,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Mr. Lucas, from the committee on roads, to which was referred Senate File No. 123, an act to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the election of Supervisors, reported the same back without amendment, and recommended its passage.

On motion of Mr. Fulton,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Lucas, from the committee on roads, made the following report:

"The committee on roads, to whom was referred Senate File No. 104, a bill for an act defining the duties of Snpervisors of roads and highways, have had the same and various other bills under consideration, and have instructed me to the bill by a substitute, and recommend its passage, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the reference."

LUCAS, *Chairman.*

Mr. Fulton presented the following minority report:

Having had under consideration, in committee, an act to provide for the election of township Supervisors, and defining their duties, I report against said bill as uncalled for, and recommend its indefinite postponement.

A. C. FULTON.

The substitute reported by the committee, being under consideration,

Mr. Udell moved to indefinitely postpone the bill and substitute,

Which was lost.

Mr. Udell moved to amend the first section of the bill by striking out "township," and inserting the words "road district."

Mr. Test moved to amend the amendment, by inserting the word "county."

On which motion,

The yeas and nays being demanded, being ordered, were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Test and Wilkinson—2.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Browning, Clark, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Coop, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Needham, Park, Preston, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, Shields, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—29.

The amendment to the amendment was lost.

The question recurring upon the amendment of Senator Udell, the yeas and nays being demanded, and being ordered, were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, browning, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Fulton, Hillis, Hogan, Jordan, Lucas, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Needham, Park, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, Test, Udell and Mr. President—22.

NAYS.—Messrs. Cleaver, Hamilton, Love, McCulloch, Preston, Shields, Thurston, Wilkinson and Workman—9.

The amendment was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Anderson,

The second section was amended by striking out, in the second line, the words "County Judge," and inserting "Township Clerk in each township."

On motion of Mr. Udell,

The third section was amended, in the second line, by striking out the words "County Judge," and inserting "Trustees, to be approved by the Clerk," also in the fifth line, by striking out "County Judge," and inserting "Township Clerk."

On motion of Mr. Udell,

The fourth section was amended by striking out, in the second line the words "township" and inserting the word "district."

On motion of Mr. Park,

The fifth section was amended by adding thereto the words "or from any person owing any road tax."

On motion of Mr. Udell,

The sixth section was amended by striking out all after the word "expedient."

On motion of Mr Park,

The seventh section was amended, in the fourth line, by striking out the words "county judge," and inserting "trustees of the township."

On motion of Mr. Udell,

The ninth section was amended, in the second line, by inserting after the word "month" the words, "previous to his being notified."

On motion of Mr. Udell,

The eleventh section was amended, by striking out, in the second line, the word "township" and inserting the word "district."

On motion of Mr. Udell,

The twelfth section was amended by adding thereto the words "of said district."

Mr. Fulton moved to amend the sixteenth section, by adding the following:

"*Provided*, He must not throw down or remove fences which do not directly obstruct the travel upon the highway until after reasonable notice to the owner of the land, enclosed by such fence."

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Coop moved,

Further to amend the sixteenth section, in the third line, by striking out the word "township" and inserting the word "district."

Was agreed to.

Mr. McCulloch moved,

To amend the seventeenth section in the second line, by striking out the words "county judges" and inserting the words "township trustees."

Which was agreed to,

Mr. Udell moved,

To amend the fourteenth section in the third line, by striking out the words, "proper supervisors" and inserting the words "township trustees as soon as collected;" also, to insert in the fourth line after the word "collected" the words "as the Trustees may direct,"

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Shields,

The bill was referred to the judiciary committee.

Mr. Preston, from the committee on the judiciaey, to which was referred Senate File No. 72, a bill for an act to provide for the appoint-

ment of a Reporter of the decisions of the Supreme Court and other purposes, reported the same back with amendments, and recommended its passage.

The amendments were concurred in.

Mr. Coop moved

To amend section eight by striking out the word "five" and inserting the word "three."

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Birge. Clark, Coop, Fulton, Hillis, Jordan, McCrary, Park, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, Shields, Thurston and Udell—14.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Cleaver, Coolbaugh Hamilton, Hogan Love Lucas, McCulloch, Matthews, Needham, Preston, Test, Wilkinson, Workman and Mr. President—16.

The motion was lost,

Mr Coop moved to indefinitely postpone the bill.

Mr. Preston asked to be excused from voting.

Which was not agreed to.

The question being on the indefinite postponement of the bill,

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Birge, Coolbaugh, Coop, Hillis, Jordan, Love, Lucas, Mc Crary, Park, Preston, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, Shields, Thurston, Udell, Wilkinson and Mr. Workman.—18.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Browning Clark, Cleaver, Fulton, Hamlton, Hogan, McCulloch Matthews, McAchran, Needham Test and Mr President—13.

The bill was indefinitely postponed.

Mr Preston, from the select committee to which was referred Senate File No. 83, a bill for an act to provide for the publication of the reportsof the decisions of the Supreme Courts reported by the Hon. George Greene, reported the same back and recommended its indefinite postponement.

The question being on concuring in the report of the committee.

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered and were as follows:

YEAS —Messrs. Birge, Coolbaugh, Cooop, Fulton, Hillis, Jordan, Love, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, Needham, Park, Preston, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, Thurston, Udell, Wilkinson and Workman—20,

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Clark, Cleaver, Hamilton, Hogan, Lucas, McAchran, Shields, Test and Mr. President—11.

The report was concurred in and the bill indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Preston, from the select committee to which was referred H. R. File No. 37, a bill to apportion the State, and define the boundaries of Senatorial and Representative districts,

Reported the same back with sundry amendments, and recommended its passage.

The question being on concurring in the first amendment made by the committee,

On motion of Mr. Preston,

The Senate adjourned until two o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK P. M.

Mr. Jordan, on leave, presented the claim of the Daily Whig office, of Keokuk, for papers furnished the Senate,

Which was referred to the committee on claims.

H. R. File No. 37, being under consideration at the time of adjournment, and the question being on concurring in the first amendment of the committee,

Mr. Test moved to amend the amendment of the committee as follows:

"Instead of inserting the word 'six,' insert as follows: 'and five Representatives, and the counties of Lee and Van Buren shall have one Senator."

On motion of Mr. Coolbaugh,

The bill and amendments were referred to a select committee of seven.

The President announced Senators Coolbaugh, Needham, Preston, Love, McCrary, Test and Jordan as said committee.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Nourse, Chief Clerk:

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

House File joint resolution No. 15, authorizing the Auditor of State to re-issue certain warrants.

Also, House File No. 136, an act to prevent the killing of game in certain seasons of the year.

Also, House File No. 137, an act to locate a State road from Charleston to Keokuk, being a duplicate of House File No. 49, already passed both houses, and misplaced.

Also, House File No. 139, an act to change the name of Dacota to Centralia, &c.

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk.*

MR. PRESIDENT—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives have passed Senate File No. 66, a bill for an act changing the times of holding courts in the first judicial district, without amendment.

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk.*

MR. PRESIDENT—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives have concurred in the report of the joint conference committee of the two houses in relation to House File No. 6, an act to provide for the location of the seat of justice of Union county, to wit: to amend by striking out the name of O. N. Kellog, and inserting the name of Geo. A. Hawley instead, and passed the same with the amendment of the Senate heretofore concurred in, in relation to the publication of said act.

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk.*

MR PRESIDENT—I herewith present for your signature the following bills and joint resolutions, the same having passed both branches of the General Assembly, and been duly signed by the Speaker of the House, to wit:

House File, joint resolution, No. 5.

Also, House File, joint resolution, No. 14.

Also, House File, joint resolution, No. 18.

Also, House File, joint resolution, No. 21.

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.

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,

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk of the House of Rep.*

Mr. Test, on leave, introduced

Senate File No. 138, a bill for an act to change the time of holding courts in the counties composing the 6th and 7th judicial districts,

Which was read a first and second times, and,

On his motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Mr. Saunders, on leave, introduced

Senate File No. 139, a bill for an act to incorporate the town of Mt. Pleasant, in Henry county.

Which was read a first and second times, and,

On his motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and its title ageed to.

Mr. Anderson, from the committee of conference appointed upon the disagreement of the two Houses upon H. R. File No. 6, made the following report:

The committee appointed to confer with a similar committee on the part of the House in reference to the disagreement of the Senate and House, upon H. File, No. 6, "an act to provide for the location of the seat of justice of Union county."

Report that the two committees have met in discharge of the duties assigned them and have agreed to the following amendment to the bill viz:

Strike out the name of O. N. Kellogg, and insert the name of George A. Hawley, thus amended your committee recommend the passage of the bill.

DANIEL ANDERSON, *Chairman*,

The report was concurred in.

Mr. Achran, from the committee on claims,

Reported back the claim of W. H. Morrison, recommending its allowance.

Also, the claim of E. C. Lyon, recommending its allowance,

Also, the claim of John Remlein, with a recommendation that he be allowed twelve dollars for services rendered.

Also, the claims of M. L. Morris on Auditor's certificates, and one for disbursing University funds, with a recommendation that the firt claim be allowed; and without any recommendation with regard to the second claim,

Which reports were concurred in.

Also, the claim of Daniel P. Sparks, with a recommendation, that the Senator from Appanoose have leave to withdraw the same,

Which was concurred in and leave granted.

Mr. Coolbaugh, from the committee on internal improvements, to which was referred

Senate File No. 105, an act to amend an act granting to railroad companies the right of way,

Reported the same back without amendment, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Coop moved to strike out the word "ten" in the first section, and inserting the word "two."

Mr. Fulton moved to amend by inserting "eight."

Lost.

Mr. Thurston proposed to insert "five," (which was accepted by Mr. Coop.)

Not agreed to.

Mr. Ramsay moved to strike out the first section of the bill,

Mr. Coop moved to amend said section by striking out "ten" and inserting "four,"

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Birge, Browning, Coop, Fulton, Jordan, McCulloch, Needham, Park, Ramsay, Udell, Workman and Mr. President —12.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Clark, Cleaver, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Love, Lucas, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Preston, Schram, Shields, Test, Thurston and Wilkinson—17.

The motion was lost,

Mr Shields moved to amend the first section, by striking out "ten" and inserting "six."

Which was agreed to.

The question recurring on the motion to strike out the first section, it was decided in the negative.

Mr. Browning moved to strike out the second section of the bill.

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Browning, Clark, Cleaver, Coop, Hillis, Hogan, Jordan, Needham, Park, Ramsay, Udell, Wilkinson, Workman and Mr. President—16.

NAYS:—Messrs. Fulton, Hamilton, Love, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Preston, Schram, Shields, Test, and Thurston —12.

The motion was agreed to.

Mr. Fulton moved to indefinitely postpone the bill.

Which was lost.

Mr. Preston moved to amend, by inserting the following, in lieu of the section stricken out:

"SEC. 2. That in assessing the damage or value of the land appropriated under this act for railroad purposes, the appraisers shall assess the real value of the land, not taking into consideration any advantages which may accrue, or have accrued, to the owner of such tract or tracts of land in consequence of the construction of such railroad."

On which question, the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Fulton, Hamilton, Jordan, Love, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Park, Preston, Schram, Shields, Test, and Thurston—14.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Browning, Clark, Cleaver, Coop, Hillis, Hogan, Lucas, Needham, Ramsay, Udell, Wilkinson, Workman, and Mr. President—15.

The motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. Thurston,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Love, on leave, introduced

Senate File, No. 140, joint resolution on the subject of African colonization,

Which was read a first and second times, and

On his motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the resolution was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Mr. Matthews, from the committee on enrolled bills, reported Senate Files, Nos. 1, 62, 93, 106, and 54, as correctly enrolled.

Mr. Browning, on leave, introduced

Senate File, No. 141, a bill for an act to encourage African colonization,

Which was read a first and second times, and

On his motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Mr. Schram, from the committee on engrossed bills, reported Senate Files, Nos. 90, and 107, as correctly engrossed.

Mr. Workman, on leave, introduced

Senate File, No. 142, joint resolution asking Congress for additional mail facilities,

Which was read a first and second times, and

On his motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the resolution read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Mr. Hillis, from the select committee to which was referred H. R. File, No. 98, an act to incorporate the town of Knoxville, Marion county, Iowa, reported the same back with amendments and recommended its passage.

The amendments were concurred in, and

On his motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the title was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Mr. Workman, on leave, presented the claim of Chas. A. Robbins for articles furnished Senate,

Which was referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Saunders, from the select committee to which was referred H. R. File, No. 75, a bill for an act annexing a proviso to section 1898 of the Code of Iowa, reported the same back without amendment, and recommended its passage.

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until seven o'clock, P. M.

SEVEN O'CLOCK, P. M.

The question being on reading a third time H. R. File, No. 75, Mr. Preston moved to amend by adding the following:

"*Provided further*, That the exemptions contemplated in this act, and the section of the Code to which this is amendatory, shall not apply to a single man who is not the head of a family."

Which was agreed to.

The President laid before the Senate, the following communication from His Excellency the Governor:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE, Iowa City,
17th January, 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 postages."

JAMES W. GRIMES.

The communication and accompanying documents having been read,

On motion,

A commitee of three was appointed to act with a similar committee to be appointed by the House of Representatives, to take into consideration the subjects referred to in the message and documents.

The President appointed Senators Shields, Fulton and Thurston, said committee.

Senate File No. 73, a bill for an act concerning acknowledgments of deeds in other States and in Foreign countries,

Having been returned from the House of Representatives, with an amendment, the amendment was concurred in by the Senate.

Senate File No. 128, a bill for an act to relocate the county seat of Keokuk county, having been returned from the House of Representatives with an amendment,

The amendment was not concurred in by the Senate.

H. R. File No. 111, an act in relation to county seats, was read a first and second time.

Mr. Anderson moved to refer the bill to a select committee of three.

Mr. Love moved to refer the bill to the committee on new counties. Lost.

The question then recurring on the reference to a select committee, it was not agreed to.

Mr. Preston moved to indefinitely postpone the bill.

Mr. Anderson moved to lay the bill on the table,

Which was lost.

The question recurring upon the indefinite postponement of the bill,

The yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follow:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Coop, Hillis, Jordan, Lucas, Matthews, McAchran, Needham, Park, Preston, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram and Workman—14.

NAYS.—Messrs. Birge, Browning, Clark, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Fulton, Hogan, Hamilton, Love, McCulloch, McCrary, Shields, Thurston, Udell, Wilkinson, and Mr. President—16.

The motion was lost.

Mr. Schram moved to amend the fourth section, by striking out "two fifths," and inserting "one half."

Mr. Needham moved to amend, by striking out "two fifths," and inserting "three fifths." Not agreed to.

The question recurring on striking out "two fifths," and inserting "one half," it was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Hamilton

The fourth section was amended, by striking out the word "regular," and inserting the word "April."

Mr. Hamilton moved to strike out the ninth section of the bill,

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Coop moved that the 11th rule be suspended, and that the bill be read a third time now,

Which was agreed to,

And the question being shall the bill pass? the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follow:

YEAS.—Messrs. Birge, Browning, Clark, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Coop, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Jordan, Love, McCulloch, McCrary,

Matthews, Park, Saunders, Schram, Shields, Thurston, Udell, Wilkinson and Mr. President—23.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Lucas, Needham Ramsay and Workman—5. The bill was passed, and the title was agreed to.

H. R. File No. 15, preamble and joint resolution authorizing the reissue of certain Auditor's Warrants,

Was read a first and second time, and

On motion, refered to the committe on ways and means.

H. R. File No. 136, an act to prevent the killing of game in certain seasons, was read a first and second time.

Mr. Wilkinson moved to amend, by inserting "Muscatine."

Agreed to.

Mr. Workman moved to amend, by inserting "Johnson."

Agreed to.

Mr. Coolbaugh moved to amend, by inserting "Des Moines."

Agreed to.

Mr. Preston moved to amend, by inserting "Linn."

Mr. Park moved that the 11th rule be suspended and that the bill be read a third time now, which was agreed to;

And the question being, shall the bill pass?

The yeas and nays were demanded, and being ordered, were as followss:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Clark, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Fulton, Hamilton, Hogan, Jordan, Matthews, Park, Preston, Saunders, Schram, Shields, Thurston, Wilkinson, Workman and Mr. President—19.

NAYS.—Messrs. Browning, Coop, Hillis, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, McAchran, Needham, Ramsay and Udell—11.

The bill passed and the title was agreed to.

H. R. File No. 137, an act to locate a State road from Charleston, in Lee county, via Montrose, to Keokuk,

Was read a first and second times, and,

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

H. R. File No. 139, an act to change the name of Dacota to Centralia, Dubuque county, and to permit Mr. Stratton to change the plat of said town to correspond with original survey,

Was read a first and second times, and,

On motion of Mr. Shields,

Was referred to the delegation from Dubuque county.

On motion,

The resolution of the House of Representatives, in relation to the adjournment of this General Assembly,

Was taken from the table.

Mr. Udell moved to strike out "23d," and insert "24th"

On motion of Mr. Preston

The resolution was laid on the table.

Senate File No. 90, a bill for an act regulating the State Library,

Was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

Senate File No. 107, a bill for an act to amend the law in relation to divorce and alimony,

Was read a third time, and the question being "shall the bill pass?"

The yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Browning, Clark, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Needham, Park, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, Thurston, Wilkinson and Workman—25.

NAYS.—Messrs. Coop, Preston, Shields, Udell and Mr. President—5.

The bill passed, and the title was agreed to.

Senate File No. 134, a bill for an act to attach the county of Cerro Gordo to the county of Floyd, for certain purposes,

Was read a third time, passed and the title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Hamilton,

Senate File No. 47, a bill to establish a State land office, with a Register thereof, and to define his duties,

Was taken from the table.

Mr. Love moved to amend the bill by striking out the words "Register of the State land office," wherever they occur, and insert the words "said Register,"

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Browning moved to amend by adding the following to the 8th section of the bill:

"But all patents issued by the State for any of the Des Moines river improvement lands, shall contain the following clause: This patent, however, shall not operate to divest or interfere with the right

or title of any other person or company, in or to any of said lands acquired under or by virtue of any law of the State now or heretofore in force, but the patentee hereof, his heirs and assigns, to take the lands herein granted subject to all such rights"

Pending the question,

On motion of Mr. Preston,

The Senate adjourned.

THURSDAY MORNING, JAN. 18, 1855.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by Mr. Nourse, Chief Clerk.

MR. PRESIDENT—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives have passed House File, joint resolution, No. 24, relative to the claim of Joseph D. Hoag.

Also, House File No. 88, an act to change the name of Auburn, in Fayette county, to Morristown, in which they ask the concurrence of the Senate.

Also, the House have passed Senate Files Nos. 130, 82 and 118.

Also, the House have indefinitely postponed the consideration of Senate Fle No. 60, a memorial to Congress for the reduction of duties on rail road iron.

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk H. R.*

Mr. Hamilton introduced the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Senate will hereafter meet at 8 o'clock each morning,

Which was not agreed.

Mr. Clark, on leave, introduced

Senate File No. 143, an act directing the Trustees of the State University to pay over certain moneys.

Which was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

Referred to a select committee of three.

The President appointed Senators Clark, Needham and Preston said committee.

Mr. McCrary presented the petition of Bentonsport, Van Buren county, praying a vacation of part of said town,

Which was referred to the committee on incorporations.

Mr. Clark, on leave, introduced

Senate File No. 144, an act to vacate an alley in the town of Bellevue, Jackson county,

Which was read a first and second times; and,

On motion of Mr. Coop,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Mr. Thurston, on leave, introduced

Senate File No. 145, a bill providing for the further completion of the State House,

Which was read a first and second times.

Mr. Test moved to lay the bill upon the table,

Which was lost.

On motion of Mr. Love,

The bill was referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Hillis, on leave, introduced

Senate File No. 146, a bill for an act to amend section 715, chapter 45, of the Code.

Which was read a first and second times; and,

On motion of Mr. Thurston,

Was referred to the committee on incorporations.

Mr. Browning, on leave, introduced

Senate File, No. 147, a bill for an act fixing the terms of the district court in the eighth judicial district,

Which was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Mr. Browning, on leave, introduced

Senate File No. 149, a bill for an act relating to the interest on city and county bonds.

Which was read a first and second time, and

On motion,

Was referred to the committee on incorporations.

Mr, McAcran, on leave introduced

Senate File No. 149½, an act to prohibit the carrying of concealed weapons,

Which was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

Was referred to the committee on the judiciary,

Mr. Love, on leave introduced

Senate File No. 150, a bill for an act to amend chapter 10 of the Code,

Which was was read a first and second times, and

On his motion,

Was referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Lucas from the committee on roads, made the following report:

The committee on roads to whom was referred the petition of Wm. H. Robinson, and 14 others, citizens of Pottawattamie county, asking for the passage of an act authorizing and requiring the drainage commissioner and judge of said county, to re-imburse certain money therein named, &c.,

Report the same back with accompanying documents, for the consideration of the Senate, and ask to be discharged from further consideration of the petition.

The report was concurred in.

Mr. Shields from the committee on ways and means, to which was referred

H. R. File No. 15, preamble and joint resolution authorizing the re-issue of certain Auditor's warrants,

Reported the same back without amendment and recommended its passage.

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended and the bill was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Mr, Shields from the select committee, to which was referred

H. R. File No. 139, an act to change the name of Dacota to Centralia, Dubuqe county, and to permit William Stratton to change the plat of said town to correspond with original survey,

Reported the same back, with a recommendation that it be indefinitely postponed.

The report was concurred in.

Mr. Shields, from the committee on ways and means, to which was referred,

H. R. File No. 53, an act providing for a geological survey of the State,

Reported the same back without amendment and recommended its passage.

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, so as to allow the bill to be read a third time now, and

The question being "shall the bill pass?"

Mr. Coop moved to lay the bill on the table,

Which was lost.

The question recurring upon the passage of the bill,

The yeas and nays were demanded, and being ordered, were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Clark, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Coop, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, Schram, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Wilkinson, Workman and Mr President—24.

NAYS.—Messrs. Browning, McAchran, Needham, Preston, Ramsay, and Saunders—6.

The bill was passed and the title agreed to.

Mr. Thurston from the committee on internal improvements, to which was referred,

Senate File No. 87, a bill for an act regulating the issue of county and corporation bonds,

Reported the same with one amendment, and recommended its passage,

The amendment was concurred in.

Mr. Fulton moved further to amend by striking out the word "twelve," and inserting the word "thirty six,"

Which was agreed to.

The bill was then ordered to be engrossed and read again tomorrow.

Mr. Hamilton from the select committe, to which was referred

H. R. File No. 104, a bill to increase the terms of the district courts in Dubuque county,

Reported a substitute for the same and recommended its passage.

The substitute was adopted, and

The bill ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

Mr. Lucas from the committee on roads, to which was referred

Senate File No, 113, a bill for an act establishing a State road from Snook's Grove, in Poweshiek county, to Newton, in Jasper county.

Reported the same back without amendment and recommended its passage.

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time passed, and its title agreed to.

Mr. Coop from the committee on agriculture, to which was referred,

Senate File No. 117, a bill for an act to prohibit certain mail stock from running at large,

Reported the same back without amendment and recommended its passage

Mr. Udell moved to strike out the proviso to the second section,

Which was lost.

Mr. McAchran moved to indefinitely postpone the bill.

Mr. Saunders moved to reconsider the vote upon striking out the proviso.

Which was agreed to.

And the question recurring on striking out the proviso,

It was decided in the affirmative,

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Mr. Lucas, from the committee on roads, to which was referred,

H. R. File No. 26, an act to locate certain State roads,

Reported the same back without amendment, and recommended its passage.

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Mr. Love, from the committee on the judiciary, to which was referred,

Senate File No. 104, a bill for an act defining the duties of supervisors of roads and highways.

Reported the same back with two amendments, which were concurred in, and

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time.

The question being, shall the bill pass, the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Clark, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Coop, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Preston, Saunders, Schram, Thurston, Udell, Wilkinson and Mr. President—24.

NAYS.—Messrs. Birge, Needham, Ramsay, Shields, Test and Workman—6.

The bill passed and its title was agreed to.

Mr. Hamilton, from the committee on the judiciary, to which was referred Senate File No. 124, a bill for an act fixing the times of holding Court in the fourth Judicial District, reported back the same without amendment, and recommended its passage.

On motion of Mr. Workman,

The bill was referred to the Senators from the fourth Judicial District.

Mr. Love, on leave introduced Senate File No. 151, joint resolution making an appropriation for the State library, which was read a first and second times, and

On his motion,

Was referred to the committee on State library.

Mr. Preston, on leave, introduced Senate File No. 152, a bill for an act authorizing the Superintendent of public instruction to appoint a deputy, which was read a first and second times, and

On his motion,

Was referred to the committee on schools.

Mr. Udell, on leave, introduced Senate File No. 153, a bill for an act allowing School Fund Commissioners pay for certain services, which was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. McCrary, on leave, introduced Senate File No. 154, a bill for an act vacating certain back lots in the town of Bentonsport, which was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

Referred to the committee on incorporations.

Mr. Coolbaugh, from the Committe on internal improvements, to which was referred H. R. File No. 33, an act to regulate the inspection of shingles and lumber, reported the same back without amendment, and recommended its passage.

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Mr. Coolbaugh, from the committee on incorporations, to which was referred Senate File No. 2, a bill to authorize railroad companies to consolidate their stock with the stock of railroad companies in this or an adjoining State, and to connect their roads with the roads of said companies, reported the same back, without amendment, and recommended its passage.

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Mr. Coolbaugh, from the committee on incorporations, to which was referred Senate File No. 28, a bill for an act to regulate mills and millers, reported the same back and recommended its indefinite postponement.

The question being, shall the bill be indefinitely postponed,

On which question, the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Clark, Coolbaugh, Fulton, Hamilton, Matthews, Ramsay, Schram, Shields and Workman—9.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Browning, Cleaver, Coop, Hillis, Hogan, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, McAchran, Needham, Preston, Saunders, Test, Thurston, Udell, Wilkinson and Mr. President—21.

The motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. Udell,

The bill was referred to a select committee of three, with instructions to report to-morrow morning.

The President appointed Senators Udell, Coop and Test said committee.

Mr. Browning, on leave, introduced Senate File No. 155, an act in relation to bonds of State officers, which was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Preston,

The Senate resolved itself into executive session. After some time spent spent therein, the session rose.

On motion, the Senate adjourned until 2 o'clock P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK P. M.

H. R. File No. 24, joint resolution relative to the claim of Joseph D. Hoag, as commissioner to locate a permanent seat of Government,

Was read a first and second time.

Mr. Shields moved to lay the bill on the table,

Which was lost.

On motion of Mr. Schram,

The resolution was referred to the committee on claims.

H. R. File No. 88, an act to change the name of Auburn, in Fayette county, to Morristown,

Was read a first and second time, and

On motion of Mr. Shields,

Was indefinitely postponed.

Senate File No. 47, being under consideration at the time the Senate adjourned on yesterday, and the question pending being upon the proviso offered by Senator Browning, was taken up in order,

And the question being on the amendment to the eighth section,

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Browning, Clark, Cleaver, Coop, Fulton, Hillis, Hogan, Jordan, Lucas, Matthews, McAchran, Needham, Park, Preston, Schram, Shields, Test, Udell and Wilkinson—21.

NAYS.—Messrs. Hamilton, Love, McCulloch, McCrary, Ramsay, Thurston and Mr. President—7.

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Test moved to amend the bill, by adding the following:

"*Provided*, That the lands of the Des Moines river company shall

be distinct, and under the supervision of the Register of the Des Moines Improvement, as now provided by law; and provided further, that the lands of the State only shall be under the control of the Register of the State Land Office."

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Test moved to indefinitely postpone the bill,

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follow:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Hillis, Lucas, Needham, Ramsay, Schram, Test and Udell—8.

NAYS.—Messrs. Birge, Browning, Clark, Cleaver, Coop, Fulton, Hamilton, Hogan, Jordan, Love, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Park, Preston, Shields, Thurston, Wilkinson, Workman and Mr. President—21.

The motion was lost.

Mr. Anderson moved to amend the 10th section, by adding the following:

"*Provided*, That such compensation shall not exceed ten cents for each hundred words in said copies and certificates; and provided, further, such fees, a correct account of which shall be kept and paid monthly into the State Treasury."

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Hamilton,

The further consideration of the bill was postponed until to-morrow.

Mr. Thurston, on leave, introduced

Senate File No. 156, a bill for an act to repeal section 14 of chapter 80, of the laws of 1851,

Which was read a first and second time, and

On motion, the 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Mr. Matthews, on leave, introduced

Senate File No. 157, a bill for an act to relocate a certain State road, which was read a first and second time, and

On motion, the 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Mr. McAchran, from the committee on claims, reported the claim of John Shook, and recommended its allowance.

Also, the claim of Vincent Bell, and recommended its indefinite postponement.

Also, the claim of Nathan S. Bemis, and recommended the allowance of two dollars.

The report was concurred in.

Mr. Workman, on leave, presented the claim of Wm. Lee, for maps, &c., furnished the Senate.

Also, the account of Mossman & Cochran, for articles furnished the Senate.

Also, the account of Ballard & Lathrop, for papers furnished members of the Senate.

Also, the claim of Hiram Watts, for acting as bailiff to supreme court.

Which accounts were severally referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Fulton, from the committee on roads, on leave, introduced

Senate File No 158, an act to locate a State road from Millersburg, in Iowa county, to Indianopolis, in Mahaska county,

Which was read a first and second time, and

On motion, the 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Mr. Workman, on leave, introduced

Senate File No. 159, an act for the general diffusion of educational intelligence,

Which was read a first and second time, and

On his motion, referred to the committee on schools.

Mr. Test presented the petition and remonstrance of citizens of Cass and Audubon counties, relative to the boundaries of said counties,

Which were referred to a select committee.

The President appointed Senators Test, Jordan and Wilkinson said committee.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Nourse, chief clerk.

Mr. President:

I am directed to inform the Senate, that the House of Rep. have rejected Senate File No. 71, a bill for an act to amend chapter 38 of the Code. Also, 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.

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk*.

Mr. President:

I am directed to inform the Senate, that the House have passed the following resolution:

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 the House of Representatives, on Saturday the 20th inst., at 10 o'clock, A. M., for the purpose of electing a Warden for the Penitentiary, and a State Printer,

In which they ask the concurrence of the Senate.

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk*.

The Senate concurred in the resolution of the House of Representatives in relation to the election of Warden of the Penitentiary and State Printer.

On motion of Mr. Preston,

Resolved, That the Rev. Mr. Shearer be allowwed the sum of one hundred dollars, as Chaplain of the Senate during the present session.

Mr. McCrary, on leave, presented the petition of 27 citizens of Van Buren county, asking the passage of a sabbath law.

Which was laid on the table.

Mr. Fulton moved to take from the table,

Senate File No. 123, an act to amend an act entitled an act providing for the election of supervisors.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Fulton moved to amend, by adding an additional section.

On motion of Mr. Culloch,

The bill and amendment were referred to the committee on roads.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Nourse, Chief Clerk.

MR. PRESIDENT:—I am requested to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives have passed

Senate substitute for House File No. 44, an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Davenport.

Also, Senate File No. 16, a bill for an act to re-locate the seat of government.

Also, Senate substitute for Senate File No. 96, a bill for an act to locate the seat of justice of Iowa county.

Also, Senate File No. 81 a bill for an act making road certificates receivable for county taxes, without amendment.

CHAS. C. NOURSE, *Clerk House Rep*.

Mr. Matthews, from the committee on enrolled bills, reported Senate File No. 118 as correctly enrolled.

Mr. Hamilton, from the committee on public lands, to which was referred

Senate File No, 48, a bill in relation to swamp lands, within the State of Iowa, and for the selecting and disposing of the same, report ed the same back with amendments and recommended its passage.

Mr. Test moved to indefinitely postpone the bill,

Mr. Browning moved to lay the bill on the table.

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, browning, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Hillis, Hogan, Lucas, McAchran, Needham, Test and Thurston—11.

NAYS.—Messrs. Birge, Clark, Coop, Fulton, Hamilton, Love, McCulloch, McCreary, Mathews, Park, Preston, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, Thurston, Wilkinson, Workman and Mr. President.—18.

The motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. Preston,

The bill was referred to a select committee of five.

The President appointed Senators Hamilton, Browning, Preston, Clark and Love said committee.

On motion of Mr. Browning,

Senate File No. 105, an act to amend an act granting to railroad companies the right of way.

Was taken from the table and ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Mr Needham, on leave. introduced

Senate File No. 160, an act fixing the term of office of Drainage Commissioner.

Which was read a first and second times and

On motion,

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

On motion,

The Senate adjourned.

FRIDAY MORNING, JAN. 19th, 1855.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Nourse, Chief Clerk:

MR. PRESIDENT--I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives have passed the following bills, in which they ask the concurrence of the Senate:

House File No. 110, an act to establish a State road from Toledo, via Marshall, to Nevada, in Story county.

Also, House File No 49, an act to amend an act to incorporate the Mount Pleasant Collegiate Institute.

Also, House File No. 145, an act in reference to registering the transfer of lands in Clayton county.

Also, House File No. 148, an act to annex certain grounds to the town of Toolsboro.

Also, Honse File No. 161, an act authorizing the County Judge of Jackson county to transcribe certain records.

Also, House File No. 159, an act to establish a road from Panora, in Guthrie county, to Sargeant's Bluffs, in Woodbury county.

Also, House File No. 160, an act for the relief of certain tax payers in Harrison county.

Also, House File No. 109, a bill in relation to certain unorganized counties, therein named.

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. 134, an act relating to State printing.

Also, House File No 147, an act to extend the boundaries of Kossuth county, and to locate the county seat.

Also, joint resolution 29 and 30, House Files.

CHAS. C. NOURSE, *Clerk of the House of Rep.*

MR. PRESIDENT—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives have passed Senate File No. 133, a bill for an act affording aid and patronage to State Agricultural Societies.

Also, Senate File No. 52, a bill for an act to amend an act entitled an act to establish an asylum for the blind, approved January 18th, 1853, without amendments.

Also, Senate File No. 22, a bill for an act authorizing mill dams, with amendments, in which they ask the concurrence of the Senate,

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk of H. of Rep.*

MR. PRESIDENT:—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives have indefinitely postponed the further consideration of Senate File, No. 132, a bill for an act to locate a State road from Watawah to Ironiston.

CHAS. C. NOURSE, *Clerk of the H. of Rep.*

MR. PRESIDENT:—The following bills having passed both branches of the General Assembly, and been duly signed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, I herewith present them for your signature.

House File, No. 120, an act providing for an additional justice of the peace in Liberty township, Jefferson county, Iowa.

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 of per diem and mileage of members of the General Assembly and officers thereof.

House File, No. 60, a bill for the observance of the Sabbath.

House File, No. 17, joint resolution for the establishment of a mail route from Maquoketa, in Jackson county, to Colesburg, in Delaware county.

House File, No. 121, an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the town of Guttenberg.

House File, No. 19, memorial and resolution 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. 55, an act defining a bushel of sweet potatoes.

House File, No. 56, an act for an additional justice of the peace in Penauch township, Dallas county.

CHAS. C. NOURSE, *Clerk of H. of Rep.*

Mr. Needham presented the petition of Thomas Sherman and 100 others, citizens of Jasper county, praying for a law prohibiting the sale and manufacture of intoxicating liquors.

Which was laid on the table.

The minority of the committee on federal relations, to whom was referred that part of the Governor's message on the subject of slavery, made the following

REPORT:

The minority of the committee on federal relations, not being able to concur either with the reasoning or rhetoric of the report of the majority, beg leave to submit the following: We trust it will not be expected of us to enter into any detailed reply to the positions assumed by the authors of that report. As friends of the Governor, as citizens of a free State, and in some degree answerable for its character abroad,—as members of the Senate, and therefore directly responsible for the character of its proceedings—we conceive we shall have discharged our full duty in the premises when we acquit ourselves of all participation in the report with which the majority have favored the Senate. As members of the committee on federal relations, we should be unjust and ungenerous to those who alone are entitled to claim the honor of that production, if we did not thus explicitly disavow any part in the just meed of fame, which doubtless awaits the author of that dignified, able and luminous State paper. The undersigned confess, that until informed by the better knowledge of the majority, they were not aware of the gross impropriety of which the Governor of a free State had been guilty in calling the attention of its Legislature to a subject so intimately connected with all its future interests as is that of the repeal of the Missouri Compromise. Even now that the undersigned have had all the benefit of the logic wit, classical learning and satire, which gleam and glisten from the pages of the report, like lightning from the cloud, they are still so dull as not to perceive anything particularly remarkable, except a covert attack upon a co-ordinate branch of the government, and a commendable diligence in ignoring a great subject, on which it is known that the policy of the party to which the authors of that report belong and the people of Iowa, are directly at variance.

The party to subserve whose interests, that report was written, are in favor of extending the area of slavery; a majority of the people of

Iowa are now, and always have been *opposed* to such extension; that party is now diligently engaged all over the land in talking about the repeal of the Missouri Compromise being a dead issue; the people of Iowa believe that repeal a great outrage designed to insure to the benefit of the advocates of that peculiar institution, American slavery. It is natural, perhaps it is in a certain sense proper, that where there are such great and radical differences between the people of Iowa, and those who have hitherto pretended to represent their wishes, that the latter should wish to dodge any and all discussion of a subject likely to prove so damaging to their future plans. We dissent from the assumption so coolly made in the majority's report, that it is the business of the Governors of free States, throughout the length and breadth of this Republic, to keep their lips hermetically sealed on the subject of nationalizing slavery, while every message emanating from the slave States, goes forth filled with such sentiments as the following, delivered by the Governor elect of South Carolina on the 12th December, to the Legislature of that great nation:

"Upon the subject of our national relations with the General Government, I have but little to say. I have no new opinions to announce, and no specific remedy to propose, to meet the dangers which are before us. The signs of the times are open to your visions as they are to mine. We may interpret them differently, but to my mind they indicate a settled purpose on the part of the northern States to assail and degrade or ruin the southern States. How or when the south shall meet to redress the perils of her condition, I will not venture to anticipate. Time will demonstrate whether our institutions tend to lift us up as a people, promptly to protect our right and perpetuate our liberty, or whether they will sink us down to the level of degraded and ruined provinces."

While such is the tone of discourse uniformly held by the Governors of slave States, in addressing their legislatures and people, on the subject of that peculiar institution, American Slavery, we rejoice that the free State of Iowa honors herself in a Governor who dares to speak the sentiments on the same subject contained in his late inaugural address, the only setiments worthy the lips of a Governor or citizen of a free State, and which we devoutly pray may be adopted and held by the Governors and citizens of every free State throughout the length and breadth of this land. The undersigned are neither afraid nor

ashamed to avow, that regardless now of all that miserable patch-work, the compromise of 1850, their position now is exactly what that of Daniel Webster was in 1848, as defined by himself in the Senate of the United States.

"My opposition to the increase of slavery in this country, or of slave representation in Congress, is general and immovable; it has no reference to the lines of latitude, or the points of the compass. I shall *oppose all such extension and all such increase, in all things, under all circumstances, even against all inducements, against all combinations, against all compromises.*"

We have not forgotten that while the bill for the organization of the territories of Kanzas and Nebraska was on its passage through the Senate, the repeal of the Slavery prohibition was advocated on the pretense that it was to establish a newly discovered principle, supposed to be very flattering to the feelings of the pioneer part of our population, and called "squatter sovereignty." If we mistake not, Senator Dodge in one of those able and convincing speeches of his, with which he has been accustomed for some years past to enlighten the Senate, expatiated with much eloquence on this great principle of squatter sovereignty, and told some Mississippi gentleman, by the name of Brown, with how much zeal he, on the principle of squatter sovereighnty, would resist all his, Brown's slavery notions about the disgrace of blacking boots, going to market, sawing wood, &c., in these same territories of Kansas and Nebraska. Less than a year has passed since such was the universal language of all the advocates of squatter sovereignty. And yet what has transpired since this committee was constituted. Citizens of the slave State of Missouri under the advice and counsel of no less conspicuous a personage than Senator Atcheson have invaded the soil of those same squatter sovereigns, profaned the sacredness of the ballot box, and by a fraud as gigantic and shameless as ever disgraced the annals of any people, overruled the wishes, and over-ridden the rights of those who were the real squatters, the actual settlers of Kansas.

This is the way squatter sovereignty works in Kansas.

When those who by repealing the prohibition of slavery, found themselves about to be defeated in their object of making a slave State on their own newly introduced principle, they immediately resorted to fraud the most shameless, backed by the bowie knife and the

pistol; and these are the weapons with which the advocates of the extension of that peculiar institution should fight its battles. They are fit weapons for such a cause. The undersigned believe now as they have always believed since the repeal was first agitated in Congress, that the whole controversy was for political power. How often were we all told by the advocates of the compromise of 1850, that those five measures likened by Mr. Clay in one of his orations, to five bleeding wounds in his country's side, were taken in their totality, a "finality" on the subject of slavery.

The repeal of the Missouri compromise, and the events which have recently occurred in Kansas, under the advice and lead of Atcheson and other slavery propagandists of Missouri, prove, that with the advocates of slavery extension, there is no finality, except the absolute control of the Government of this republic in all its departments.

Already we find in the quarter which was potential in effecting the repeal of the Missouri Compromise, arguments as grave, as earnest and as eloquent in behalf of legalizing the trade in slaves from Africa, as were ever heard in favor of the modern doctrine of southern right to carry slavery into all the territories. Those arguments only lack one element of strength, and that will be added as soon as the time shall have come for taking it on—that is the *chivalry* element—always embodied in the form of threats to dissolve the Union. The undersigned hope the day has come when this last argument will cease to have its wanted effect. They should rejoice that Iowa—well called the only free child of the Missouri Compromise, by the executive, a sovereign member of this great family of States, and whom your committee take leave to say has always, on this great and now overshadowing subject of slavery, been misrepresented at Washington,—should through her representatives, the present General Assembly, speak such words of truth and soberness as shall, if possible, strike the ears of those whose only conceptions of the doctrines of this great confederacy seem to be limited to making it a place where the clank of the chains of the slave shall never cease to be heard, and when the highest and most sacred duty of its citizens shall be to pursue as blood-hounds the track of its flying fugitives. These are finalities from which they humbly trust every free citizen of Iowa will forever turn with loathing and disgust. The undersigned would recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, 1st, That in the third section of the fourth article of the Constitution of the United States, conferring upon Congress the "power to dispose of, and make all needful rules and regulations respecting the territory or other property belonging to the United States," we recognize full and express power under which slavery may be prohibited in all such territory, and which power it is the bounden duty of Congress to exercise.

Resolved, 2nd, That the power to admit new States into the Union, is one in which Congress may, without just offence to any State or class of States, exercise a sound discretion, and that it is their right and duty to refuse to admit any more slave States into the American Union.

Resolved, 3rd, That the second section of the fourth article of the Constitution of the United States, in which it is provided that the *citizens* of each State shall be entitled to all privileges and immunities of citizens in the several States, is as binding and obligatory as the latter clause of the same section, providing for the rendition of fugitives from service, and it is the duty of Congress to provide the same stringent laws for enforcing the rights of citizens of the free States in the slave States, as for enforcing the "claim" of citizens of the slave States to "persons" in the free States.

Resolved, 4th, That the law for the rendition of fugitives from service, reported by Daniel Webster in the Senate on the 3rd day of June, 1850, (Cong. Globe, vol. 21st, part 2d, page 1111,) and which provides for the trial by jury, ought to be substituted, with further modifications, for the present odious and unconstitutional law.

Resolved, 5th, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to our Senators and Representatives in Congress, with instructions to lay the same before the bodies of which they are respectively members.

G. W. WILKINSON.

On motion of Mr. Clark,

The report was laid on the table, and 1,000 copies ordered to be printed.

Mr. Udell, from the select committee, to which was referred Senate File, No. 28, a bill for an act to regulate grist mills and millers within the State of Iowa, reported the same back with sundry amendments, and recommended its passage.

Which amendments were concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Coop,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, and the question being, "shall the bill pass?"

On which question, the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Coop, Hillis, Hogan, Jordan, Lucas, McCrary, McAchran, Needham, Park, Preston, Test, Thurston, Udell, Wilkinson, Workman and Mr. President—18.

NAYS.—Messrs. Clark, Cleaver, Coolbaugh, Fulton, Hamilton, Love, McCulloch, Mathews, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, and Shields—12.

The bill was passed and its title agreed to.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by Mr. Nourse, chief clerk.

MR PRESIDENT—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives have passed a substitute for

Senate File No. 23, an act to prevent waste and trespass on swamp or other lands, in this State, in which they ask the concurrence of the Senate.

CAHRLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk H. R.*

Mr. Matthews, from the committee on enrolled bills, reported that Senate Files Nos. 1, 62, 106, 54, 93, 95 and 118, had been presented to the Governor for his approval.

Mr. Test, from the judiciary, to which was referred

Senate File No. 129, a bill granting the right of way for construction of bridges in Iowa,

Reported the same back without amendment and recommended its passage

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Mr. Fulton presented the remonstrance of Henry Baker and 60 other persons, against any change in a State road in Scott and Muscantine counties,

Which was laid on the table.

Mr. McAchran, from the committee on claims, reported back the claim of C. G. Van Gent, recommending, an allowance of seventy-five dollars.

Also, the claim of Josiah Cowles, with a recommendation that the claim be allowed. Which report was concurred in.

Mr. McAcran, from the committee on claims, reported back,

The claim of Hiram Watts recommending the allowance of one hundred and eighteen dollars.

On motion, Senator Workman had leave to withdraw said claim.

Mr. McAchran, from the committee on claims, to which was referred

H. R, File No. 24, joint resolution relative to the claim of Joseph D. Hoag, as commissioner to locate a permanent seat of government.

Reported same back without any recommendation.

On motion of Mr. Browning,

The joint resolution was referred to a select committee, with instructions to report whether Mr. Hoag's claim does not stand in the same situation as those of Messrs. Brown and Taylor, so far as the right of allowance of said claims.

The President appointed Senators Love, Preston, Coolbaugh, Saunders, Schram and Wilkinson, said committee.

Mr. McAchran, moved to take from the table, the report of the committee on claims, recommending the allowance of the claim of J. C. Knapp, which was agreed to, and

The question being on concurring in the report of the committee,

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.— Messrs. Cleaver, Coop, Hamilton, Hogan, Love, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Park, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—15.

NAYS—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Browning, Clark, Coolbaugh, Fulton, Hillis, Jordan, Lucas, Needham, Preston, Saunders, Schram, Shields and Wilkinson—15.

The report was not concurred in.

Mr. Preston, from the committee on the judiciary, to which was refered

H. R. File No. 39, an act instructing the Warden of the Penitentiary.

Reported the same back, and recommended its indefinite postponement.

The report was concurred in.

Mr. Preston, from the committee on the judiciary, to which was referred

Senate File No. 137, a bill for an act to amend chapter 187 of the Code.

Reported the same back, and recommended its indefinite postponement.

The report was concurred in.

Mr. Preston, from the committee on the judiciary, to which was referred

Senate File No. 36, a bill for an act to amend chapter 187 of the Code of Iowa, relating to the penitentiary of the State,

Reported the same back with amendments, and recommended its passage.

The amendments were concurred in, and

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Mr. Coop, by unanimous consent, introduced

Senate File No. 161, a resolution instructing our Senators and Representatives in Congress, to use their influence to prevent the renewal of expired patents for reaping and mowing machines.

Which was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

Was referred to the committee on agriculture.

Mr. Fulton, from the committee on roads to which was referred

Senate File No. 123, an act to amend an act entitled an act providing for the election of supervisors,

Reported a substitute therefor, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Test moved to amend the first section, by inserting between the words "appropriate" and "such," the following:

"Any money which may arise from the sale of swamp lands, or any other funds, within the county,"

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Preston,

The bill and substitute were laid on the table.

Mr. Schram, from the committee on engrossed bills, reported Senate Files Nos. 87 and 105 as correctly engrossed.

Mr. Browning, from the committee on the judiciary, to which was referred Senate File No. 153, a bill for an act allowing School Fund Commissioners pay for certain services, reported the same back, with amendments, and recommended its passage.

The amendments were concurred in, and

On motion,

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Mr. Browning, from the committee on the judiciary, to which was referred Senate File No. 135, a bill for an act to provide for the relinquishment of escheats, reported the same back, without amendment, and recommended its passage.

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Mr. Hamilton, by unanimous consent, introduced Senate File No. 162, joint resolution on the subject of slavery in Kansas and Nebraska, which was read a first and second times.

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

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Birge, Browning, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Hillis, Love, McCulloch, Ramsay, Test, Thurston, Udell and Mr. President —13.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Cleaver, Fulton, Hamilton, Hogan, Jordan, Lucas, McCrary, Matthews, McAckran, Needham, Park, Preston, Saunders, Schram, Wilkinson and Workman—17.

The motion was not agreed to.

On motion,

The Senate adjourned.

TWO O'CLOCK P. M.

The question being on Senate File No. 162,

Mr. Browning offered the following as a substitute for the original resolution:

"*Be it Resolved*, By the General Assembly of the State of Iowa, that the series of acts of the 31st Congress, commonly known as the compromise or adjustment, (the act for the recovery of fugitives from labor included,) are received and acquiesed in by this General Assembly as a final settlement, in principle and substance, of the subjects to which they relate; and so far as these acts are concerned, we will maintain

them, and insist on their strict enforcement until time and experience shall demonstrate the necessity of further legislation, to guard against the evasion of the laws, on the one side, and the abuse of their powers on the other, not imparing their present efficiency to carry out the requirements of the Constitution; and we deprecate all further agitation of the questions thus settled, as dangerous to our peace, and will discountenance all efforts to continue, or renew such agitation, whenever, wherever, or however made; and we will maintain this settlement as essential to the integrity of the Union."

The question being on the adoption of the substitute,

On which question the yeas and nays being demand, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Birge, Browning, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McAchran, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell and Mr. President—16.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Cleaver, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Jordan, McCrary, Matthews, Needham, Park, Saunders, Schram, Wilkinson and Workman—15.

The substitute was adopted,.

The question being, shall the joint resolution be engrossed and read a third time.

On which question the yeas and nays were demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Birge, Browning, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McAchran, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, and Mr. President—16.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Cleaver, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Jordan, McCrary, Matthews, Needham, Park, Saunders, Schram, Wilkinson and Workman—15.

The joint resolution was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by Mr. Nourse, Chief Clerk.

MR. PRESIDENT—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives have passed Senate File No. 35, a bill for an act for the relief of Harriet O'Reilly.

Also, Senate File No. 9, a bill for an act entitled an act respecting walls in common.

Also, Senate File No. 18, an act providing for the revision or amendment of the Constitution of the State.

Also, Senate File No. 59, a bill for an act to increase the powers of the Trustees of the State University of Iowa.

Also, Senate File No. 49, an act to incorporate the town of Lyons.

Also, Senate File No. 103, an act to appoint commissioners to locate the seat of justice of Mitchell county.

Also Senate File No. 58, joint resolution to procure additional mail facilities.

Also, Senate File No. 91, 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, without amendment.

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk of H. of Rep.*

MR. PRESIDENT—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives have passed Senate File No. 119, an act to incorporate Oscaloosa, with the following amendments: Strike out section 1, and substitute the attached section; also, strike out sections 26 and 27, and insert the amendment attached.

Also, Senate File No. 115, a bill for an act to locate a certain State road, with the following amendment: To section 3 add the words "and the State shall pay nothing therefor."

In which amendments they ask the concurrence of the Senate.

CHARLES. C. NOURSE, *Clerk of H. of Rep.*

MR. PRESIDENT—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives have passed House File No. 65, a bill for an act providing for the more speedy enforcement of judgments and decrees.

Also, House File joint resolution No. 11, a memorial to Congress for the right of pre-emption to the State of Iowa, to certain lands for railroad purposes.

Also, House File joint resolution No. 4, a memorial to Congress.

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk of H. of Rep.*

Mr. Needham, from the committee on public buildings, reported

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,

Which was read a first and second times, and

On motion, the 11th rule was suspended, and the resolution was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Mr. Shields, by unanimous consent, introduced

Senate File No. 164, an act in reference to an ordinance passed by the City Council of the City of Dubuque, January 15, A. D. 1855,

Which was read a first and second times, and

On motiou, the 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Mr. Clark, from the committee on the State Library, to which was referred

Senate File No. 151, joint resolution making an appropriation for the State Library,

Reported the same back and recommended its passage.

The joint resolution was ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time to-morrow.

Mr. Coop, from the committee on agriculture, to which was referred

Senate File No. 161, joint resolution on the subject of expired patents of reaping and mowing machines,

Reported the same back without amendment, and recommended its passage.

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the resolution was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Mr. Coolbaugh, from the select committee to which was referred

H. R. File No. 37, a bill to apportion the State, and to define the boundaries of Senatorial and Representative Districts, &c.,

Reported a substitute for the same, and recommended its passage.

The substitute was adopted, and

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by Mr. Nourse, chief clerk:

MR. PRESIDENT:

I am directed to inform the Senate, that the House of Representives has passed House File No. 141, an act to establish a State Lunatic Asylum, in which they ask the concurrence of the Senate.

CHARLES C. NOURSE,
Clerk of House of Rep.

The President laid before the Sen te a communication from the Sec-

retary of State, in relation to the contingent fund of his office,

Which was referred to the committee on ways and means.

The House of Representatives having passed a substitute for Senate File No. 96, a bill for an act to relocate the seat of Justice of Iowa county, and the substitute being under consideration,

Was adopted by the Senate.

The House of Representatives having returned Senate File No. 22, a bill for an act authorizing mill dams, with amendments,

The amendments were concurred in by the Senate.

H. R. File No. 110, an act to establish a State road from Toledo via Marshal to Nevada, in Story county,

Was read a first and second time, and

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

H. R. File No. 49, an act to amend an act to incorporate the Mount Pleasant Collegiate Institute, approved Feb. 15, 1854.

Was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed and its title agreed to.

H. R. File No. 145, an act in reference to registering the transfer of lands in Clayton county.

Was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended and the bill was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

H. R. File, No. 148, an act to annex certain grounds to the town of Toolsboro.

Was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended and the bill read a third time, passed and the title agreed to.

H. R. File No. 161, an act to authorize the County Judge of Jackson to transcribe certain cases.

Was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed and the title agreed to.

H. R. File No. 159, an act to establish a State Road from Panora in Guthrie county, to Sargents Bluffs in Woodbury county.

Was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time passed, and its title agreed to.

H. R. File No. 160, an act for the relief of certain tax payers in Harrison county.

Was read a first and second times, and,

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed and the title agreed to.

H. R. File No. 109, a bill in relation to certain unorganized counties therein named.

Was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

Referred to the committee on county boundaries.

H. R. File No. 108, an act to establish certain State roads, therein named.

Was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed and its title agreed to.

H. R. File No. 115, an act to poovide for the publication and distribution of the acts, resolutions and memorials passed at the present session of the General Assembly.

Was read a first and second times

Mr. Browning moved to amend, by striking out the second section and inserting the following:

Section 2. The Secretary is also directed to print and distribute of the laws, and resolutions of last session, four thousand copies.

Which was agreed to.

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended and the bill, as amended was read a third time, passed and its title agrreed to.

H. R. File No. 134, an act relating to State Printing,

Was read a first and second times, and

On motion of Mr. Workman,

Was referred to the committee on ways and means,

H. R. File No. 147, an act to exetend the boundaries of Kossuth county and to locate the county seat.

Was read a first and second time, and

On motion of Mr Test,

Was referred to a select committee.

The President appointed Senators Test, Hamilton and Needham, said committee.

H. R. File No. 29.

Memorial and joint resolution for additional mail facilities.

Was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time passed and title agreed to.

H. R. File No. 30, joint resolution,

Was read a first and second time, and

On motion,

Laid on the table.

The House of Representatives having returned

Senate File No. 23, a bill to prevent trespass or waste from being committed on swamp and other lands,

With a substitute for the same,

The substitute was read, and,

On motion of Mr. Love,

The bill and substitute were referred to the committee on public lands.

The House of Representatives having returned

Senate File No. 109, an act to incorporate Oskaloosa,

With amendments.

The amendments were concurred in by the Senate.

The House of Representatives having returned

Senate File No. 115, a bill for an act locating a certain State road

With amendments,

The amendments were concurred in by the Senate.

H. R. File No. 65, a bill for an act providing for the more speedy enforcements of judgments and deeds,

Was read a first and second times, and,

On motion,

Was referred to the committee on the judiciary.

H. R. File No. 4, memorial and joint resolutions for granting lands to aid in the construction of railroads,

Was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

Was referred to the committee on internal improvements.

H. R. File No. 11, memorial for grant of the right of pre-emption to the State of Iowa,

Which was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

Was referred to the committee on internal improvements, with instructions to report to-morrow morning.

H. R. File No. 141, a bill to establish a State Lunatic Asylum,

Was read a first and second times, and

On motion.

Was referred to the committee on charitable institutions.

On motion,

The Senate adjourned.

SATURDAY, January 20, 1855.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by Mr. Nourse, Chief Clerk:

MR. PRESIDENT:—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representative have passed the following bills:

House File No. 69, an act for the relief of settlers on certain river lands.

Also House File No. 73, a bill for an act to amend section 2383, of Code of Iowa.

Also, House file No. 85, an act granting proceeds of certain swamp lands in Potawatamie 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. 112, an act to amend chapter 64 of the Code, as to mechanics' leins.

Also, House File No. 118, an act providing for the distribution of the Code.

Also, House File No. 165, an act to incorporate the town of Salem.

Also, House File No. 142, an act to create cities and villages, one road district in certain cases.

Also, House File, No. 146, a bill to provide for indexing the records of Marrion county.

Also, House File No. 166, an act to establish certain State roads.

In which they ask the concurrence of the Senate.

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk H. Rep.*

MR. PRESIDENT—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives have passed the following:

Senate File, No. 46, a bill for an act making further provisions in relation to Executors of estates.

Also, Senate File No. 75, an act in relation to certain roads therein named,

Also, Senate File No. 86, a bill for an act to regulate securities upon bonds of public officers.

Also, Senate File No. 100, an act to create the office of State Binder, &c.

Senate File No. 119, a bill for an act locating a State Road from Centreville to Ottumwa.

Also, Senate File No. 102, a bill for an act establishing a State road from Farmington, in Van Buren county, to Bloomfield, in Davis county.

Also, Senate File No. 108, a bill to authorize junior judgment creditors to redeem from senior judgments.

Also, House File No. 140, an act to prevent swine running at large in certain portions of Jackson county.

In which they ask the concurrence of the Senate.

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk H. Rep.*

MR. PRESIDENT—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives have passed substitute for Senate File No. 27, a bill for an act to locate and establish a State road from Cedar Falls,

in Black Hawk county, to the mouth of the Big Sioux river, in Woodbury county, with the following amendment to section 3 : "but the State shall be liable for nothing in the premises;" in which they ask the concurrence of the Senate.

Also, the House of Representatives have refused to pass Senate File No. 104, a bill for an act defining the duties of Supervisors of roads and highways.

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk of H. of Rep.*

MR. PRESIDENT—The following bills having passed both branches of the General Assembly, and been duly signed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, I herewith present them for your signature :

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.

House File No. 81, an act authorizing writs of attachment and actions against boats to be commenced on Sunday.

House File No. 106, an act to encourage agriculture and the mechanic arts in Johnson county.

House File No. 137, an act to locate a State road from Charleston in Lee county, via Montrose, to Keokuk.

House File joint resolution No. 10, relative to constructing bridges and dams across certain rivers.

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk of H. of Rep.*

Mr. Schram presented the claim of Josiah H. Bourney, for recording deeds, &c.

Mr. Workman presented the claim of Geo. S. Hampton, for expenses of Supreme Court.

Also, the claim of Hiram Watts, for attendance on the Supreme Court.

Which claims were severally referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Coolbaugh presented the petition of John G. Foote and 18 others, citizens of Burlington, in relation to the width of streets and alleys in towns and cities in this State,

Which was laid on the table.

Mr. Browning, by unanimous consent, introduced

Senate File No. 165, joint resolution requiring certain officers to report to the General Assembly,

Which was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the memorial was read a third time, passed, and title agreed to.

Mr. Fulton presented the petition of Willard Barrows, for a toll bridge aaross the Waubesipinicon river.

Which was laid on the table.

Mr. Workman presented the claim of J. B. Middleton, as deputy Sheriff of Johnson county, for attendance on Supreme Court.

Which was referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Birge, from the committee on incorporations, to which was referred Senate File No. 146, a bill for an act to amend section 715, chapter 45 of the Code, reported the same back, and recommended its indefinite postponement.

The report was concurred in.

Mr. Shields, from the committee on ways and means, to which was referred H. R. File No. 134, an act relating to State printing, reported the same back without amendment, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Needham moved to lay the bill on the table,

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Needham moved to amend the first section by striking ont "seventy," and inserting "sixty."

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Needham moved to amend the fifth section, by striking out the words "for all other work,"

Which was not agreed to.

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

Mr. Shields, from the committee on ways and means, reported Senate File, No. 166, an act requiring the State Printer to keep his office at the Capital.

Which was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

Messrs. Coolbaugh and Schram, were appointed a committeee to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate is now ready to proceed to the Hall of the House, for the purpose of electing a War-

den of the Penitentiary and State Printer.

The committee appointed to wait upon the House of Representatives, reported that they had discharged the duty assigned them.

Mr. Schram, from the committee on engrossed bills, reported Senate Files Nos, 151, 153 and 115, as correctly engrossed.

Mr. Coop, from the committee on agriculture, made the following report:

The committee on agriculture, to whom was referred the petition of sundry citizens of this State, asking the passage of a law prohibiting hogs from running at large, have had the same under consideration, and are of opinion that such a law would be inexpedient, at the present time. Therefore your committee ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The report was concurred in.

Mr. Needham, from the select committee, to which was referred Senate File No. 19, an act to amend an act entitled an act to amend the several acts in relation to a State Printer, reported the same back without amendment, and

On motion of Mr. Coop,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Matthews from the committee on enrolled bills, reported Senate Files Nos. 16, 35, 44, 58, 59, 66, 52, 73, 81, 133, 128, 91 and 103 as correctly enrolled.

Messrs. Williams and Tisdale a committee from the House of Representatives, being announced, informed the Senate that the House was now ready to receive the Senate for the purpose of electing a Warden of the Penitentiary and State Printer.

On motion,

The Senate, preceded by their President and Secretary, then proceeded to the Hall of the House of Representatives for the purpose of electing a Warden of the Penitentiary and a State Printer.

The President having stated the object of the convention,

On motion,

A call of the convention was had, and all the members found present.

The President announced the first business in order to be the election of a Warden of the Penitentiary,

Mr. Witter nominated Geo. Grigsby, of Lee county.

Mr. Hillis nominated F. A. Barker, of Marion county.

Mr. Saunders was appointed teller on the part of the Senate, and Mr. Yeoman on the part of the House of Representatives.

The vote being taken,

F. A. Barker	received	51	votes.
Geo. Grigsby	"	38	"
T. S. Espy	"	2	"
Chas. Ware	"	2	"
J. B. Brown	"	1	vote.

F. A. Barker having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected Warden of the Penitentiary.

The President then signed the proper certificate, in presence of both Houses of the General Assembly.

The business in order being the election of a State Printer,

Mr. Test nominated R. H. Sylvester, of Johnson county.

Mr. Anderson nominated Peter Moriarty, of Jackson county.

The vote being taken,

Peter Moriarty	received	52	votes.
R. H. Sylvester	"	40	"
A. Saunders,	"	1	"
No More After	"	1	"

Peter Moriarty having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared duly elected State Printer.

The President then signed the proper certificate in presence of both Houses of the General Assembly.

On motion,

The Joint Convention then adjourned.

The Senate, in order, then returned to their chamber.

Mr. Coolbaugh asked leave of absence for Mr. Cleaver,

Which was granted.

On motion of Mr. Coop,

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,

Was taken from the table.

Mr. Udell moved to fill the blank in the fourth section, with the words "one thousand,"

Which was agreed to.

On motion, the 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Mr. Browning, from the committee on charitable institutions, to which was referred

Senate File No. 41, and Senate File No. 50, bills to establish a State Lunatic Asylum, reported a substitute for

H. R. File No. 41, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Browning moved to strike out the name of C. S. Clark in the first section,

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Clark moved to amend the first section, by the following :

" *Provided*, the land can be obtained without expense to the State,"

Which was lost.

Mr. Preston moved to amend the first section, by striking out the words " at or near Mt. Pleasant, in Henry county."

Mr. Love moved to amend the amendment, by inserting "at or near the permanent seat of Government."

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until 2 o'clock P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK P. M.

The question being on the amendment to the amendment,

On which question the yeas and nays were demanded, and being ordered, were as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Birge, Clark, Coop, Fulton, Love, Matthews, Needham, Park, Preston, Shields, Udell, Wilkinson and Workman—13.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Coolbaugh, Hamilton, Hogan, Jordan, Lueas, McCulloch, McCrary, McAchran, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, Test, Thurston and Mr. President—16.

The amendment to the amendment was not agreed to.

The question recurring on the amendment, to strike out the words " at or near Mt. Pleasanr, in Henry county,"

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Birge, Clark, Coop, Fulton, Matthews, Needham, Park, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Udell, Workman and Mr. President —13.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Coolbaugh, Hamilton, Hillis

Hogan, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, McAchran, Saunders, Schram, Test, Thurston and Wilkinson—17.

The amendment was not agreed to.

Mr. Coop moved to amend, by striking out "Mount Pleasant, in Henry county," and inserting "Fairfield, in Jefferson county,"

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Birge, Clark, Coop, Needham, Park, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—13.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Coolbaugh, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Saunders, Schram and Wilkinson—17.

The motion was lost.

Mr. Hillis moved to strike out "Mount Pleasant," and insert "Knoxville."

Mr. Shields moved to amend the amendment, by inserting "Dubuque,"

On which question the yeas and nays were demanded, and being ordered, were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Birge, Coop, Hamilton, Matthews, Needham, Preston, Shields, Thurston, Workman and Mr. President—10.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Clark, Coolbaugh, Fulton, Hillis, Hogan, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, McAchran, Park, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, Test, Udell and Wilkinson—20.

The amendment to the amendment was not agreed to.

The question recurring upon inserting "Knoxville,"

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Clark, Fulton, Hillis, Matthews, Needham, Preston, Shields, Udell, Wilkinson and Workman—12.

NAYS.—Messrs. Browning, Coolbaugh, Coop, Hamilton, Hogan, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, McAchran, Park, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, Test, Thurston and Mr. President—18.

The amendment was lost.

Mr. Birge moved to amend, by striking out "Mt. Pleasant," and inserting "Marion,"

"*Provided* eighty acres of land be furnished free of cost, that will be acceptable to the commissioners,"

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Birge, Clark, Coop, Fulton, Hillis, Matthews, Needham, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Workman and Mr. President—12.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Coolbaugh, Hamilton, Hogan, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, McAchran, Park, Saunders, Schram, Test, Thurston, Udell and Wilkinson—18.

The motion was lost.

Mr. Hamilton moved to strike out the name of Samuel Murdock.

Mr. Love moved to amend the motion, by inserting the name of D. L. McGugin,

Which was lost.

Mr. Preston moved to amend the motion, by inserting James Harlan, of Henry county,

Which was lost.

The question being on striking out the name of Samuel Murdock,

It was agreed to.

Mr Test moved to fill the blank in the 10th section, with the words "their necessary expenses, and two dollars per day while actually employed,"

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Love moved to amend the 7th section, by adding the following:

"To be paid out of any fund specially set apart for this purpose, and after the same is exhausted, out of the general Treasury of the State,"

Which was agreed to.

The question being on adopting the substitute as an amendment to the original bill,

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Clark, Coolbaugh, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Needham, Park, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell and Wilkinson—25.

NAYS.—Messrs. Birge, Coop, Preston, Workman and Mr. President—5.

The substitute was adopted.

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended and the bill was read a third time and

The question being "shall the bill pass?"

On which question the yeas and nays were demanded, being ordered, were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, Mc Crary, Mathews, McAchran, Needham, Park, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, Test, Thurston, Udell, Wilkinson, and Mr.President.—26.

NAYS.—Messrs. Birge, Preston, Shields and Workman.—4.

The bill was passed and agreed to,

The following message was received from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Nourse, Chief Clerk:

MR. PRESIDENT:—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives have passed the following bills:

Senate File No. 164, an act in reference to an ordinance passed by the city council of Dubuque city.

Also, Senate File No. 107, a bill for an act to amend the law in relation to divorce and alimony without amendment.

Also, the House have passed a substitute for Senate File No. 58, a bill for an act to alter the boundaries of the counties of Chickasaw, Howard, Mitchell and Floyd, and a substitute for House File No. 190, an act directing the payment of certain moneys to Normal Schools at Oscaloosa and Andrew, in which they ask the concurrence of the Senate.

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk H. Rep.*

Mr. Hamilton, from the committee on the Judiciary to which was referred

Senate File No. 149, an act to prohibit the carrying of concealed weapons, reported the same back and recommended its indefinite postponement.

The question being on the indefinite postponement of the bill,

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Browning, Coop, Hamilton, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, Neeeham, Preston, Ramsay, Schram, Shields, Udell and Mr. President—13.

NAYS—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Clark, Coolbaugh, Fulton, Hillis'

Hogan, Jordan, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Park, Saunders, Test, Thurston, Wilkinson and Workman—17.

It was decided in the negative.

Mr. Coop moved to amend the bill, by striking out the word "concealed."

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Browning, Coop, Hamilton, Love, McCulloch, Needham, Schram, Shields, Udell, Wilkinson and Mr President—11.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Clark, Coolbaugh, Fulton, Hillis, Hogan, Jordan, Lucas, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Park, Preston, Ramsay, Saunders, Test, Thurston and Workman.—19.

The motion was lost.

Mr. Hamilton moved to lay the bill on the table.

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs, Browning, Coop, Hamilton, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary Matthews, Needham, Schram, Shields, Udell and Wilkinson—13.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Clark, Coolbaugh, Fulton, Hillis, Hogan, Jordan, McAchran, Park, Preston, Ramsay, Saunders, Test, Thurston and Workman—16.

The motion was lost.

Mr. Udell offered the following amendment.

"Nothing in this act shall be construed to prevent the carrying of pocket knives or tooth picks."

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Needham moved to refer the bill to the committee on internal improvements.

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs, Birge, Browning, Coop, Fulton, Hamilton, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, Mathews, Needham, Ramsay, Shields, Udell and Mr. President—14.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Clark, Coolbaugh, Hillis, Hogan, Jordan McCrary, McAchran, Park, Preston, Saunders, Schram, Test, Thurston, Wilkinson and Workman—16.

The motion was lost.

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time and,

The question being "shall the bill pass?"

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follow:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Clark, Coolbaugh, Fulton, Hillis, Hogan, Jordan, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Park, Preston, Ramsay, Saunders, Test, Thurston, Wilkinson and Workmau—19.

NAYS.—Messrs. Browning, Coop, Hamilton, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, Needham, Shields, Udell and Mr. President—10.

The bill was passed and its title agreed to.

Mr. Hamilton from the committee on the judiciary, reported

Senate File No. 167, a bill for an act to create the 10th judicial district,

Was read a first and second times.

Mr. Hamilton moved to amend the sixth section by striking out "Iowa City," and inserting "Express and Herald, in Dubuque, and Clayton county Herald."

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Park moved to amend the sixth section by adding the following:

"Provided the same be no expense to the State."

Which was agreed to.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Mr. Hamilton from the committee on the judiciary, to which was referred

Senate File No. 150, a bill for an act to amend chapter 10 of the Code,

Reported the same back without amendment, and recommended its passage.

The bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

Mr. Hamilton from the committee on the judiciary, to which was referred

Senate File No 160, an act fixing the term of office of drainage commissioners,

Reported the same back and recommended its passage.

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and title agreed to.

Mr. Birge from the committee on incorporations, to which was referred

Senate File No. 154, a bill for an act vacating certain back lots in the town of Bentonsport.

Reported the same back without amendment, and recommended its passage.

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Mr. Shields from the committee on ways and means, to which was referred

The communication of the Secretary of State, in regard to the contingent fund of his office,

Reported the same back, with a recommendation that the account be allowed.

The report was concurred in.

Mr. Test, from the select committee, to which was referred

H. R. File No. 147, an act to extend the boundaries of Kossuth county,

Reported the same back with one amendment and recommended its passage.

The amendment was concurred in, and the bill ordered to be engrossed and read a third time to-morrow.

Mr. Preston from the committee on schools, to which was referred,

Senate File No. 152, a bill for an act authorizing the superintendent of Public instruction to appoint a deputy,

Reported the same back without amendment, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Preston moved to fill the blank with "three hundred,"

Which was lost.

Mr. McCrary moved to indefinitely postpone the bill.

Mr. Saunders moved to refer the bill to a select committee of three.

Which was agreed to.

The President appointed Senators Saunders, Preston, and Workman said committee.

Mr. Workman, from the select committee, to which was referred,

Senate File No. 124, a bill for an act fixing the times of holding court in the fourth judicial district,

Reported the same back without amendment, and recommended its passage.

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

Mr. Preston, from the committee on schools, to which was referred

Senate File No. 159, a bill for an act for the general diffusion of educational intelligence.

Reported the same back and recommended its indefinite postponement.

The report was concurred in.

Mr. Love, from the committee on the judiciary, to which was referred

H. R. File No. 80, a bill for an act for the relief of Hugh Loynachan,

Reported the same back without amendment, and without recommendation.

On motion.

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

Mr. Love, from the committee on the judiciary, to which was referred

Senate File No, 85, an act attaching the duties of recorder of deeds to the school fund commissioners, and defining his duties, together with a substitute therefor,

Reported the same back and recommended their indefinite postponement.

The report was concurred in.

Mr. Coolbaugh from the committee on internal improvements, to which was referred,

H. R. File No. 11, memorial for grant of right of pre-emption to the State of Iowa, &c.,

Reported the same back without recommendation.

Mr. Browning moved to postpone the memorial indefinitely.

Mr. Love moved to amend the first section in the 6th line, after the word "eligible," by inserting:

"And from Fort Des Moines to the North line of the State at such point as may be deemed most eligible."

Mr. Coolbaugh moved to adjourn,

Which was lost.

Mr. Test asked leave of absence for Mr. Hillis,

Which was granted.

On motion,

The Senate adjourned.

MONDAY, JAN. 22, 1855.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the chaplain.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by Mr. Nourse, Chief Clerk:

MR. PRESIDENT:—I herewith return the following billls, the same having passed the House of Representatives, without amendment:

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. 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. 94, a bill for an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate Iowa City.

Senate File No. 98, a bill for an act to amend section 2534 of the Code, regulating the fees of Recorder.

Senate File No. 113, a bill for an act establishing a State road from Snooks Grove, Powesheik county, to Newton, in Jasper county.

Senate File No. 116, an act repealing an act entitled an act vacating

certain streets and alleys in the town of Bentonsport, in Van Buren county.

Senate File No. 117, a bill for an act to prohibit certain male stock from running at large.

Senate File No. 126, a bill for an act to locate and establish a certain State road therein named.

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.

Senate File No. 140, joint resolution on the subject of African Colonization.

Senate File No. 142, joint resolution asking Congress for additional mail facilities.

Senate File No. 144, an act to vacate an alley in the town of Bellevue, Jackson county.

Senate File No. 2, a bill to authorize railroad companies to consolidate their stocks with the stock of railroad companies in this or an adjoining State, and to connect their roads with the roads of said companies.

MR. PRESIDENT.—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representative have passed the following bills, in which they request the concurrence of the Senate.

House File joint resolution, No. 27, for the appointment of commissioners to examine the books and vouchers of the Auditor of State.

House File joint resolution No. 25, in relation to Trustees of State University.

House File, joint resolution, No. 26, in relation to the appointment of a commissioner to prepare and report an act for the better management of State University and common schools.

House File joint resolution, relative to procuring additional appropriations in lands for the benefit of the soldiers of 1812.

House File No 168, a bill for an act amendatory o the act incorporating the city of Muscatine.

House File No. 162, an act to repeal chapter 101 of the acts of 1852–3, entitled an act to extend the powers of school districts.

House File No. 144, an act supplemental to an act to dispose of the Saline Lands.

Mr. President:—The following bills having passed, both branches of the General Assembly and been duly signed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, I herewith present them for your signature.

House File No. 26, an act to locate certain State roads therein named.

House File Fo. 5, an act for the suppression of intemperance.

Substitute for House File No. 111, an act in relation to county seats.

Mr. Hamilton presented the petition of William Watson and 53 other citizens of Dubuque, praying the establishment of a Normal department in Alexander College of Dubuque.

Which was referred to the committee on schools.

Mr. Preston presented the petition of W. C. Stanbury and 25 others asking the passage of a law allowing the people of Benton county to vote upon the re-location of the county seat of said county.

Which was laid on the table.

Mr. Preston presented the remonstrance of John Royal and 79 others, remonstrating against the erection of dams in the Cedar river.

Which was laid on the table.

Mr. McAchran presented a communication from John Pattee, Deputy Auditor of State in relation to amounts due for expenses of Supreme Court for which no appropriation has been made.

Which was referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Preston, by unanimous consent introduced the following:

Resolved, That the Governor be requested to lay before the Senate at his earliest convenience, the report of the commissioners appointed at the last session of the General Assembly, to examine into the condition of the affairs of the Des Moines River Improvement, together with such other information as he may be able to give in relation to the condition of said Improvement,

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Hamilton, from the committee on public lands, to which was referred

Senate File No. 23, a bill for an act to prevent trespass and waste on the swamp and other lands in the State of Iowa.

Also, House substitute for the same, reported the same back with amendments.

On motion,

The bill and amendments were recommitted to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Test, from the select committee to which was referred the petition and remonstrance of citizens of Audubon and Cass counties, in relation to a change in the boundaries of said counties, reported the same back, and recommended that no action be taken on the subject.

The petition and remonstrance were laid on the table.

Mr. McAchran, from the committee on claims,

Reported upon the claim of Wm. Lee, recommending its allowance.

Also, the claim of Hiram Watts, recommending its allowance.

Also, the claim of J. P. Middleton, recommending its allowance.

Also, the claim of Josiah H. Bonney, recommending its indefinite postponement.

Said reports were concurred in.

Mr. Workman, from the committee on new counties, to which was referred,

H. R. File No. 109, a bill in relation to certain unorganized counties therein named,

Reported the same back without amendment.

Mr. Test moved to refer the bill to a select committee of three,

Which was agreed to, and

The President appointed Senators Test, Jordan and Park, said committee.

Mr. Browning, from the committee on Charitable Institutions, made the following report:

The committee on Charitable Institutions, to whom was referred the petition of citizens of Henry county, Iowa, in relation to an Insane Asylum, together with a communication from Le Grande Byington, offering to donate land adjacent to Iowa City, for various charitable institutions, have had the same under consideration, and are of opinion that it would be for the interest of the State to accept donations at or near Iowa City, for the benefit of some one of said institutions, and on which, some one of the same should be erected. Your committee have not had it in their power to view or examine the lands

so liberally offered by the Hon. Le Grande Byington for the purposes above mentioned, but would recommend the adoption of the following joint resolution, being

Senate File No. 167, joint resolution in relation to an Asylum for the blind,

Which was read a first and second times.

Mr. Coop moved to amend the joint resolution, by striking out the words "at or near Iowa City."

Mr. Preston moved to amend the amendment, by inserting "within two miles of Iowa City."

Mr. Needham moved to recommit the joint resolution and proposed amendments, to the committee on charitable institutions, with instructions to report a resolution authorizing the Governor and Secretary of State to receive proposals and examine locations, with a view for the permanent establishment of asylums for the Blind, and for the Deaf and Dumb; and that they report their action to the next General Assembly,

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Hamilton, from the committee on public lands, to which was referred

Senate File No. 48, a bill in relation to swamp lands within the State of Iowa, and for selecting and disposing of the same,

Reported a substitute therefor.

Mr. Test moved to amend the substitute, by striking out the first section after the enacting clause,

On which question the yeas and nays were demanded, and being, ordered, were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Clark, Jordan, Lucas, Shields Test and Udell—8.

NAYS.—Messrs. Birge, Coolbaugh, Coop, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Love, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Needham, Park, Preston, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, Thurston, Wilkinson, Workman and Mr. President—22.

The motion was lost.

Mr. Needham moved to amend the first section, by striking out all after "1853," and insert "shall not be construed to extend beyond the imits of counties now organized,"

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Test moved to amend the first section, by striking out all after the word "repealed,"

On which question the yeas and nays were demanded, and being ordered, were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Preston and Test—2.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Browning, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Needham, Park, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, Shields, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—27.

The motion was lost.

Mr. Test moved to amend by striking out the fourth section.

Which was lost.

Mr. Test moved to refer to a select committee, with instructions to report to-morrow.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Preston offered a substitute for the substitute.

Mr. Clark moved to refer to the committee on the judiciary, with instructions to report to-morrow morning.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Love, by unanimous consent, introduced

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 for selecting the swamp lands and securing the title to the same.

Which was read a first and second times.

Mr. Test moved to refer the bill to the committee on ways and and means.

Which was lost.

Mr. Ramsay moved to refer the bill to the committee on the judiciary.

Which was lost.

Mr. Test moved to amend section by striking out all after the word "moneys" and insert "to be deposited with the treasurer of the counties within which the selections were made."

Which was lost.

Mr. Test moved to refer to a select committee.

Which was not agreed to.

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and the title ageed to.

Mr. Coolbaugh, from the joint committee to which was referred the communication of the board of trustees of the State University, made the following report:*

Which was laid on the table, and the usual number of copies ordered to be printed for the use of the Senate.

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until two o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK P. M.

The President laid before the Senate the following communication from His Excellency the Governor:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE, 20th January, 1855.

To the Senate 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 molestion, and apprehensions are felt in many quarters for the safety of our citizens.

It is known that the General Government is about to despatch 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 Laramie and along the emigrant route to California and Oregon. It is feared 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 this State. The Executive of the State has no authority under the law, to use either persuasive or coersive measures, except in cases of insurrection or actual hostile invasion.

See appendix.

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,

The communication was referred to the committee on military affairs, with instructions to report immediately.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Nourse, Chief Clerk:

MR. PRESIDENT—I herewith return the following bills, the same having passed the House without amendments:

Senate File No. 7, "joint resolution asking Congress for additional mail facilities."

Also, Senate File No. 65, "a bill for an act providing a room for the holding of the supreme court."

Also, Senate File No. 68, "joint resolution to Congress to reduce ocean postage."

Also, Senate File No. 70, "joint resolution to Congress asking an appropriation for services rendered and supplies furnished the United States."

Also, Senate File No. 76, "bill for an act ceding jurisdiction, &c."

Also, Senate File No. 129, "a bill for an act granting the right of way for the construction of bridges in Iowa."

Also, Senate File No. 155, "an act in relation to bonds of State officers.

Also, Senate File No. 157, "a bill for an act to relocate certain State roads.

Also, "Senate File No. 158, "an act to locate a State road from Millersburgh, in Iowa county, to Indianapolis, in Mahaska county."

Also, Senate File No. 161, "joint resolution on the subject of expired patents of reaping and mowing machines."

Also, 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. 57, "a bill for an act to consolidate the counties of Sac and Calhoun."

Also, Senate File No. 97, "a bill to provide for the removal of the seat of justice of Cass county.

Also, Senate File No. 102, "bill for an act making certified copies of documents in the Surveyor General's office, evidence in certain cases."

Also, Senate File No. 141, "bill for an act to encourage African colonization."

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk of the House of Rep.*

MR. PRESIDENT:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate, that the House has passed the following bills, in which they ask the concurrence of the Senate:

House File No. 33, joint resolution, memorializing Congress for a mail route from Independence to Janesville.

Also, House File No. 126, an act creating a board of equalization for the State.

Also, House File No. 157, bill for an act to extend the jurisdiction of County Courts.

Also, House File No. 32, joint resolution asking additional mail facilities.

Also, House File No, 167, a bill for an act to authorize John M. May to construct a dam across Cedar river in Linn county.

Also, House File No. 170, a bill for an act to authorize John M. May and his assigns to construct a wing dam across an arm or branch of the Cedar river.

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk.*

MR. PRESIDENT:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate, that the House has passed the following bills with amendments, to wit:

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.

Amendments:—Strike out of the 5th section the words "Preach to the convicts confined therein once on every Sabbath," and

Also, insert in the bill section 7, as follows:

"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, light and fuel,

salaries, hospital, buildings and repairs, miscellanies."

Also, change the No. of the 7th section to 8th,

In which they ask the concurrence of the Senate.

MR. PRESIDENT:

I am directed by the House to inform the Senate, that the House of Representatives has refused to concur in the passage of the substitute for

House File No. 37, "bill to apportion the State, and define the boundaries of Senatorial and Representative districts."

CHAS. C. NOURSE, *Clerk of the H. of Rep.*

The President laid before the Senate the following communication from his Excellency the Governor:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE, IOWA CITY,
January 22, 1855.

To the President of the Senate:

In compliance with the resolution of the Senate of this date, I herewith enclose the report of the commissioners appointed by the last General Assembly, by resolution of 22d January, 1853, to investigate the affairs and examine the work of the Des Moines river improvement. JAMES W. GRIMES.

The accompanying papers were laid on the table.

The House of Representatives having passed a substitute for Senate File No. 38, an act to alter the boundaries of the counties of Howard, Mitchell, Worth and Winnebago.

The substitute was read, and the question being on concurring in the substitute of the House.

Mr. Shields offered a substitute for the substitute of the House, and

On his motion,

The substitutes were referred to the delegation from Dubuque.

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.

Having been returned from the House of Representatives with one amendment,

The amendment was concurred in by the Senate.

H. R. File No. 140, an act to prevent swine running at large in cer-

tain portions of Jackson county, was read a first and second times.

Mr. Browning moved to amend by adding an additional section, as follows :

"Sec. 4, The provisions of this act may extend and be enforsed in any county of this State, or township of any county, whenever a majority of the legal voters of any township shall determe to enforce the same.

Mr. Anderson moved to amend the amendment by adding as follows:

"*Provided*, That it shall not be lawful for said prohibited animals to cross township or county lines without a permit from the County Judge or board of Township Trustees."

Which was adopted.

The amendment, as amended, was then adopted, and

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, and passed.

The title was amended by striking out all after the word "large," and as amended, was agreed to.

H. R. File No. 69, an act for the relief of settlers on certain river lands, was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

Was referred to the committee on internal improvements.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by Mr. Nourse, Chief Clerk :

Mr. President :—I herewith return the following bill, the same having passed the House without amendment :

Senate File No. 124, a bill for an act fixing the times of holding Court in the fourth Judicial District.

Also, the following, in which they ask the concurrence of the Senate.

House File No. 34, joint resolution, granting compensation to Israel Kister for services rendered the State as agent in the selection of saline lands.

Also, House File No. 172, an act to alter a State road in Tama county.

CHAS. C. NOURSE, *Clerk House Rep.*

The House of Representatives having refused to concur in the sub-

stitute of the Senate for H. R. File No. 37, a bill to apportion the State and define the boundaries of Senatorial and Representative districts &c.,

And the question being, will the Senate insist upon its amendment?

On which question, the yeas and nays being demanded, and being ordered, were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Birge, Browning, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Fulton, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Wilkinson, Workman and Mr. President—18.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Jordan, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Needham, Park, Saunders and Schram—12.

So the Senate insisted upon its amendment.

H. R. File, No. 142, an act to create cities and villages one road district in certain cases, was read a first and second times.

Mr. Fulton moved to amend by striking out "three," and inserting "two," in the third section, which was agreed to.

On motion,

The bill was referred to the committee on roads.

H. R. File No. 165, an act to incorporate the town of Salem, was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the bill was read time, passed, and its title agreed to.

H. R. File No. 146, a bill to provide for indexing the records of Marion county, was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

Was referred to a select committee of three.

The President appointed Senators Hillis, Matthews and Wilkinson said committee.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by Mr. Nourse, Chief Clerk:

MR. PRESIDENT:—I herewith return the following bills, the same having passed the House without amendment.

Senate File No. 154, a bill for an act vacating certain back lots in the town of Bentonsport.

Also, Senate File No. 165, joint resolution requiring certain officers to report to the General Assembly.

Also, Senate File No. 166, bill for an act requiring the State Printer to keep his office at the Capital of the State.

Also, the folllowing, in which they ask the concurrence of the Senate.

House File No. 167, a bill for an act to provide for the appointment of a reporter of the decision of the Supreme Court, and for other purposes.

Also, House File No. 170, a bill for an act to incorporate the Cedar Toll bridge company.

CHAS. C. NOURSE, *Clerk House Rep.*

MR. PRESIDENT:—I am instructed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House has adopted 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 wants them to hurry up."

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk House Rep.*

H. R. File No. 73, a bill for an act to amend Section 2383 of the Code of Iowa,

Was read a first and second times:

Mr Preston moved to amend by striking out the second section and inserting the following:

"Sec. 2. So much of the Code of Iowa as conflicts with this amendment is hereby repealed."

Which was agreed to.

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended and the bill as amended was read a third time, passed and the title agreed to.

H. R. File No. 85, granting proceeds of swamp lands in Pottawattamie county to build a poor house.

Was read a first and second time,

Mr. Shields moved to amend the third section by adding the following:

"*Provided*, The State shall incur no expense herein."

Which was agreed to.

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended and the bill as amended, was read a third time, and

The question being "shall the bill pass?"

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Birge, Coolbaugh, Coop, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, Park, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Wilkinson, Workman and Mr. President.—23.

NAYS.—Messrs. Browning, Clark, Fulton, McAchran, Needham and Preston—6.

So the bill passed and the title was agreed to.

H. R. File No, 103, an act to revive chapter 51 of the Code, entitled lost goods and estrays.

Was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

The bill was referred to the committee on the judiciary.

H. R. File No. 112, an act to amend Chapter 64 of the Code as to mechanics liens.

Was read a first and second time, and

On motion,

Was referred to the committee on the judiciary.

H. R. File No. 118, an act providing for the distribution of the Code,

Was read a first and second times, and

On motion, of Mr. Browning,

Was indefinitely postponed.

H. R. File No. 166, an act to establish certain State roads.

Was read a first and second times, and

On motion of Mr Udell,

Was referred to the committee on roads,

H. R. File No. 130, an act directing the payment of certain monies to the Normal Schools at Oskaloosa and Andrew.

Was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

Was referred to the committee on schools.

H. R. File No. 28, joint resolution was read a first and second time and

On motion,

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

H. R. File No. 26, joint resolution,

Was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

Was referred to the committee on schools.

H. R. File No. 27, joint resolution for the appointment of commissioners to examine the books and vouchers of the Auditor of State,

Was read a first and second times.

Mr. Coolbaugh moved to amend the second section, by striking out all after the word "Board," and insert " one to be appointed by the President of the Senate, and the other by the Speaker of the House,"

Which was adopted.

Mr. Browning moved to amend the first section, by inserting after the word "State," the words " or others exercising authority under the State, to whom contingent funds have been granted,"

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Fulton moved to fill the blank in the 10th section, with the word "three,"

Which was agreed to.

On motion.

The 11th rule was suspended. and the substitute was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

Mr. Love moved to reconsider the vote upon the passage of

Senate File No. 168, a bill for an act providing for the collection of money due the State of Iowa from the Government of the United States, arising from the disposition of the swamp lands, and for selecting and securing the title to the same,

Which was agreed to, and

On his motion,

The bill was referred to a seclect committee of three.

The President appointed Senators Love, Hamilton and Coop said committee.

Mr. Ramsay presented the account ef Paul C. Jeffries,

Which was referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Anderson asked leave of absence for Mr. Jordan,

Which was granted.

Mr. Workman presented the claim of William Vogt, Postmaster in Iowa City, which was, on his motion,

Referred to the committee on claims.

On motion of Mr. Coolbaugh,

The resolution for the adjournment of the General Assembly was taken from the table.

Mr. Anderson moved to amend the resolution, by striking out the figures 23rd, and inserting 25th.

Mr. Love moved to insert 26th.

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

Upon which the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Senators Birge, Coop, Fulton, Hamilton, Hogan, Love, McCulloch, McAchran, Park, Preston, Shields, Test, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—15.

NAYS.—Senators Anderson, Browning, Clark, Coolbaugh, Hillis, Jordan, Lucas, McCrary, Matthews, Needham, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, Thurston and Wilkinson—15.

The motion was lost.

The question recurring on the motion to strike out the 23rd and insert the 26th, was decided in the affirmative.

The resolution as amended, was then adopted.

Mr. Browning moved that the Senate adjourn until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock,

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Senators Birge, Browning, Clark, Coolbaugh, Fulton, Hillis, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, Matthews, McAchran, Preston, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, Shields, Test, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—20.

NAYS.—Senators Anderson, Coop, Hamilton, Hogan, Jordan, McCrary, Needham, Thurston and Wilkinson—10.

The question was decided in the affirmative, and the Senate adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

TUESDAY MORNING, JAN. 23, 1855.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. McCrary presented the petition of S. N. Johnson and fifty others, asking a relocation of a State road.

Which was referred to the committee on roads.

On motion of Mr. Preston,

Resolved, That E. Van Metre be allowed the sum of eight dollars for two days services as secretary of the Senate; also, eight dollars for mileage.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by Mr. Nourse, Chief Clerk.

MR. PRESIDENT:—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House has appointed Messrs. Russell, Yeomans and Rogers. a committee of conference, and desire the appointmeet of a similar committee on the part of the Senate, upon the matter of the disagreement of the two Houses to the substitute of the Senate to House File, No, 37, a bill for an act to define the boundaries of Senatorial and Representative districts.

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk of H. of Rep.*

MR. PRESIDENT:—I herewith present for your signature the following bills, the same having passed both branches of the General Assembly, and been duly signed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, to wit:

House File No. 53, "an act providing for the geological survey 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 the Cedar river."

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 number six, in section number 11, township number 73 north, of number 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. 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. 29, "memorial and joint resolution for additional mail facilities in the interior of the State."

Also, House File No. 15, "preamble and joint resolution relative to the reissue of certain Auditors' warrants."

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, Honse File No. 9, joint resolution to procure additional mail facilities.

Also, House File No. 80, an act for the relief of Hugh Loynachan.

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 Sargent's Bluffs, in Woodbury county.

Mr. Love, from the select committee to which was referred

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 for selecting the swamp lands and securing the title to the same,

Reported the same back with two amendments, and recommended its passage.

The question being on the adoption of the first amendment made by the committee,

On which question the yeas and nays were demanded, and being ordered, were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Birge, Browning, Clark, Coolbaugh Fulton, Hogan, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Saunders, Schram, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Wilkinson and Workman—21.

NAYS.—Messrs. Coop, Hillis, Needham, Park, Preston, Ramsay and Mr. President—7.

The amendment was concurred in.

The Senate concurred in the rest of the amendments made by the commitee.

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

Mr. Hillis, from the select committee to which was referred

H. R. File No. 146, a bill to provide for indexing the Records of Marion county,

Reported the same back with amendments, and recommended its passage.

The amendments were concurred in by the Senate.

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Mr. Matthews, from the committee on enrolled bills, reported that

Senate Files No. 133, 59, 91. 66, 81, 82, 73, 103, 128, 130, 52, 44, 16, 58, 35, had been presented to the Governor for his approval.

Also, Senate Files No. 22, 46, 102, 164 and 86, as correctly enrolled.

Mr. Shields, from the select committee to which was referred House substitute for

Senate File No. 38, a bill for an act to alter the boundaries of the counties of Howard, Mitchell, Worth and Winnebago,

Reported back the substitute and recommended its passage.

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the substitute read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

Mr. Test, from the select committee to which was referred

H. R. File No. 109, a bill in relation to certain unorganized counties therein named,

Reported the same back and recommended its passage.

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

Mr. Shields, from the committee on claims, made the following report:

The committee on claims, to whom was referred the claim of the Dubuque City Guards, have carefully examined the same, and do not find that there is any law by which independent companies, which are subject to be called into service by the Executive at any and all times,

to receive a proper remuneration for their services, unless it be by special allowance by an act of the General Assembly. In view of these facts, and believing as we do, that they should be amply paid for their services and expenses for the time they were held in readiness under the requisition of the Executive, the committee would most respectfully recommend the allowance of the claim herewith submitted. They would further recommend the payment of the claim of H. C. Lacy, for conveying intelligence to and from the Executive of this State.

For the basis of the justness of the above claims, the committee would most respectfully call the attention of the Senate to the biennial message of the late Executive.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. G. SHIELDS, *Chairman.*

The report was concurred in,

Mr. Shields from the committee on ways and means, to which was referred Senate File No. 74, an act to reduce the expenses of transmitting the funds of the State from the counties to the State Treasury reported the same back and recommended its passage.

Mr. Fulton moved to amend the first section by inserting after the word "the" the words, Governor and Treasurer, and"

Which was agreed to.

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended and the bill was read a third time, and the question being

"Shall the bill pass?"

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs, Birge, Clark, Coop, Fulton, Hamilton, Jordan, Love, McCulloch, Park, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston, Workman and Mr. President—16.

NAYS.— Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Coolbaugh, Hillis, Hogan, Lucas, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Needham, Saunders, Schram, Udell and Wilkinson—14

So the bill passed.

Mr. Browning moved to amend the title by inserting after the word, "to" the words "try to,"

Which was not agreed to.

The title was then agreed to.

Mr. Thurston, from the joint committee, made the following report,

The Joint Committee,—to whom was referred the communication of his excellency the Governor of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, in reference to the granting of pensions to the officers, soldiers and sailors of the war of 1812—Feel that they would be recreant to the patriotism of the young and growing State of Iowa. did they not most fully and heartily respond to the sentiments expressed in the said resolution; and concurring, as we do, in the sentiments therein expressed that the meritorious services which were rendered in the war of 1812, were, in the highest degree useful and important, and that the said services have in no small degree been the means of placing our county in the high position which she now occupies among the nations of the earth and that our country should be neither ungrateful or unkind.

Also, Senate File No. 169, joint resolution for the relief of the officers, soldiers and sailors of the war of 1812.

Which was read a first and second time, and

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the resoluton was read a third time, passed and the title agreed.

Mr. Lucas from the committee on roads, to which was referred H. R. File No. 166, an act to establish certain State roads, reported the same back without amendment and recommended its passage.

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended and the bill was read a third time, passed and the title agreed to.

Mr Browning, by unanimous consent introduced

Senate File No. 170, an act in relation to the taking effect of general laws,

Which was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended and the bill was read a third time, passed and the title agreed to.

Mr. Shieds, by unanimous consent, introduced

A bill for an act to amend section 3d of an act to incorporate and establish the city of Dubuque, approved Jan. 22, 1853.

Which was read a first and second time, and

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended and the bill was read a third time, passed and the title agreed to.

Mr. Browning from the committee on charitable institutions to which was referred Senate File No. 167, a joint resolution in relation to an Asylum for the blind, reported a substitute for the same, and recommended its passage.

The substitute was adopted and ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

The House of Representatives having returned 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, with amendments, was taken up and the Amendments were concurred in by the Senate.

House of Representatives File No 167,

A bill for an act to authorize John M. May to construct a dam across the Cedar river in Linn county,

Which was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

H. R. File No. 170, a bill for an act to authorize John M. May and his assigns to construct a wing dam across an arm or branch of the Cedar river,

Which was read a first and second times, and,

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

H. R. File No. 126, an act creating a board of equalization for the State,

Which was read a first and second times; and,

On motion of Mr. Browning,

Was referred to the committee on ways and means.

H. R. File No. 157, a bill for an act to extend the jurisdiction of county courts,

Was read a first and second times, and,

On motion of Mr. Preston

Was referred to the committee on the judiciary,

H. R. File No. 32, joint resolution asking additional mail facilities,

Was read a first and second times, and,

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the resolution was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

H. R. No. 33, memorial to Congress for a mail route from Independence to Janesville,

Was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the memorial was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

H. R. File No. 34, joint resolution granting compensation to Israel Kister for services rendered the State as agent in the selection of saline lands,

Was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

Was referred to the committee on claims.

H. R. File No. 172, an act to alter a State road in Tama county,

Was read a first and second times; and,

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

H. R. File No. 170, a bill for an act to incorporate Cedar Falls bridge company,

Was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

H. R. 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,

Was read a first and second times.

Mr. Park moved to amend by striking out the word "three" wherever it occurs, and inserting the word "two."

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Browning moved to amend section seven, by inserting between the words "appointed," "and" the words "and each case reported shall contain proper marginal notes, index, &c., together with the points relied upon by counsel, and a full brief of the authorities cited by counsel."

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Browning moved further to amend section seven, by striking out the words "with those already published by him," and inserting "with the provisions of this act."

Which was agreed to.

The question being on reading the bill a third time.

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Browning, Coop, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Needham, Park, Preston, Shields, Test, Workman and Mr. President—22.

NAYS.—Messrs. Clark, Coolbaugh, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, Thurston, Udell and Wilkinson—8.

The bill was ordered to a third reading, and

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

H. R. File No. 25, resolution instructing trustees of the State University in relation to professorships, &c.,

Was read a first and second times.

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

Which was lost.

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the resolution was read a third time, and

The question being, "shall the joint resolution pass?"

It was decided in the negative.

H. R. File No. 168, a bill for an act amendatory of the act incorporating the city of Muscatine,

Was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill read a third, passed, and the title agreed to.

H. R. File No. 162, an act to repeal chapter 101 of the acts of 1852–3, entitled an act to extend the powers of school districts,

Was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

Was referred to the committee on schools.

H. R. File No. 144, an act supplemental to an act to dispose of the saline lands, was read a first and second times, and

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

On motion,

The President appointed Senators Coolbaugh, Hamilton and Preston a committee to manage the conference upon the disagreeing vote upon H. R. File No. 37.

H. R. File No. 147, an act to extend the boundaries of Kossuth county and to locate the county seat, was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

H. R. File No. 2, joint resolution for a grant of lands to aid in the construction of railroads from the Mississippi to Missouri river, was read a third time, and

On motion,

Was referred to the committee on internal improvements.

Senate File No. 167, a bill for an act to create the 10th Judicial District, was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

Senate File No. 150, a bill for an act to amend chapter 10 of the Code, was read a third time, and

On motion,

Was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Senate File No. 153, a bill for an act allowing School Fund Commissioners pay for certain services, was read a third time, and

On motion of Mr. Udell,

Was referred to a select committee of three, and

On motion,

Senate File No. 144, was taken from the table and referred to the same select committee.

The President appointed Senators Udell, Wilkinson and Coop said committee.

Senate File No. 151, joint resolution, making an appropriation for the State Library, was read a third time, passed, and title agreed to.

Substitute for H. R. File No. 104, a bill for an act altering the boundaries, and regulating the terms of Courts in the second Judicial District, was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

Senate File No 81, a bill for an act regulating the issue of county and corporate bonds, was read a third time, passed, and title agreed to.

Senate File No. 115, a bill for an act locating a certain State road from Centreville to Marietta,

Was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

Senate File No. 105, a bill for an act to amend an act granting to railroad companies the right of way, was read a third time.

Mr. Workman moved to postpone the bill indefinitely.

Mr. Love moved to refer the bill to a select committee of three, with instructions to inquire as to whether the bill had been altered since it was ordered to a third reading, which was agreed to.

The President appointed Senators Browning, Workman and Thurston said committee.

H. R. File No. 11, memorial and joint resolution, asking the Congress of the United States to grant to the State of Iowa the pre-emption of certain lands in said State for the purpose of aiding in the construction of certain railroads herein named.

Coming up in order, and the question being on the adoption of the following amendment,

"And from Fort Des Moines to the north line of the State, at such point as may be deemed most eligible."

It was agreed to.

Mr. Fulton moved to amend the bill as follows:

"After Dubuque, strike out 'and,' then insert Sabula, Lyons, Davenport, Muscatine, Wapello, Burlington, Ft. Madison, Keokuk, and after Iowa City, insert 'Grinnell.'

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by Mr. Nourse, Chief Clerk:

Mr. President:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to return the following bill, with the subjoined amendment:

Senate File No. 28, a bill for an act to regulate grist mills and millers within the State of Iowa.

Amendment to section 5th: "*Provided* in no case he shall charge more than the cost price of the toll prescribed in this act."

Also, to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bill:

H. R. File No. 173, an act to legalize the acts of William Tucker, a Notary Public in Chickasaw county, Iowa.

In both of which they ask the concurrence of the Senate.

Mr. President:

I herewith return the following bills, the same having passed without amendment:

Senate File No. 90, a bill for an act regulating the State Library.

Also, Senate File No. 99, a bill for an act to repeal chapter 71 of the acts passed at the session of the third General Assembly.

MR. PRESIDENT:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate, that the House has concurred in the amendment of the Senate on the resolution of the House, in relation to the final adjournment of the General Assembly, to wit, on Friday the 25th inst.

CHAS. C. NOURSE, *Clerk.*

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until 2 o'clock P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK P. M.

The question being upon the amendment offered by Senator Fulton,

The amendment was agreed to.

Mr. Test moved to amend, by striking out the words "to such points on the Missouri and Sioux rivers as may be deemed most eligible," and insert the words "Council Bluffs,"

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Browning moved to indefinitely postpone the bill,

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Fulton, Hillis, Hogan, Jordan, Lucas, McCrary, McAchran, Needham, Park, Preston, Saunders, Schram, Udell, Wilkinson Workman, and Mr. President—21.

NAYS.—Messrs. Birge, Hamilton, Love, McCulloch, Matthews, Shields, Test and Thurston—8.

The bill was indefinitely postponed.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Nourse, chief clerk:

MR. PRESIDENT:

I am directed to inform the Senate, that the House of Representative has concurred in the amendments of the Senate to the following House Files, to wit:

House File No. 73, a bill for an act to amend section 1383 of the Code of Iowa.

Also, House File No. 85, an act granting the proceeds of swamp lands in Pottawattamie county, to build a poor house therein.

Also, the substitute for House File No 27, an act to authorize the appointment of commissioners to settle with State officers, &c.

Also, House File No. 141, a bill for an act to establish a State Lunatic Asylum.

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk H. R.*

MR. PRESIDENT:—I herewith return to the Senate the following bills, the same having passed the House of Representatives without amendment:

Senate File No. 170, an act in relation to the taking effect of general laws.

Also, Senate File No. 171, an act to amend section 3d of an act to incorporate and establish the city of Dubuque.

Also, the House has concurred in the amendment of the Senate to House File, No. 146, a bill to provide for indexing the records of Marion county.

CHAS. C. NOURSE, *Clerk of H. of Rep.*

MR. PRESIDENT:—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House has refused to concur in the amendments of the Senate to Senate File No. 140, a bill for an act to prevent swine from running at large in certain portions of Jackson county.

Also, that the House has receded from its amendment to Senate File No. 128, a bill for an act to relocate the county seat of Keokuk county.

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk H. R.*

MR. PRESIDENT—I herewith present for your signature, House File joint resolution No. 28, and House File No. 98, an act to incorporate the city of Knoxville, Marion county, Iowa, the same having passed both branches of the General Assembly, and been duly signed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

CAHRLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk H. R.*

Mr. Hamilton, from the select committee, to which was referred

Senate File No. 47, a bill to establish a State land office with a register thereof, and to define his duties,

Reported a substitute therefor and recommended its passage.

Mr. Browning moved to amend the 8th section by adding the following:

"Nor is intended to interfere with the rights of any person or company to any of said lands accruing by virtue of any law of this State, or contract under the provisions of any of said laws."

Which was agreed to.

The substitute as amended was then adopted, and

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and the title was agreed to.

Mr. Matthews, from the committee on enrolled bills, reported

Senate Files Nos. 9, 18, 75, 96, 49, 139, 109, 108, 100, 119, 107, 154, 102, 166, 144, 116, 126, 134, 157, 142, 7, 57, 141, 165, 48 and 51, as correctly enrolled.

Mr. Schram, from the committee on engrossed bills, reported

Senate File No. 168, as correctly engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Preston,

Resolved, That that the Hon. James Jordan be allowed per diem and mileage for his attendance as a Senator, the same as other members of the Senate, for the entire session.

Mr. Preston, from the committee on schools, to which was referred

H. F. No. 16, joint resolution appointing trustees for the State University,

Reported the same back without amendment, and recommended its passage.

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the resolution was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

Mr. Preston, from the committee on schools, to which was referred

H. R. File No. 26, joint resolution,

Reported the same back and recommended its indefinite postponement.

The question being on the indefinite postponement of the joint resolution.

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Birge, Browning, Clark, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Jordan, Love, Lucas, Matthews, McAchran, Needham, Park, Preston, Schram, Thurston, Udell, Wilkinson, Workman and Mr. President—21.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Coolbaugh, McCulloch, McCrary, Saunders and Test—6.

The bill was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Preston, from the committee on schools, to which was referred

H. R. File No. 79, an act granting mileage to the trustees of the State University,

Reported the same back, and recommended its indefinite postponement.

The report was concurred in, and the bill indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Preston, from the committee on schools, to which was referred

H. R. File No. 130, an act directing the payment of certain moneys to the Normal Schools of Oskaloosa and Andrew,

Reported the same back without amendment, and recommended its indefinite postponement.

The question being on the indefinite postponement of the bill,

Mr. Birge moved to refer the bill to a select committee,

Which was lost.

Mr. Preston moved to refer the bill to the judiciary committee,

Which was lost.

Mr. Preston moved to recommit the bill to the committee on schools,

Which was not agreed to.

The question recurring on the indefinite postponement of the bill, on which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Browning, Coop, McAchran, Preston, Thurston, Udell and Workman—7.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Clark, Coolbaugh, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, Needham, Park, Saunders, Schram, Test, Wilkinson and Mr. President—21.

It was decided in the negative.

Mr. Thurston moved to lay the bill on the table,

Which was lost.

Mr. Udell moved to amend the bill, by adding the following: "That the trustees of the State University shall examine said schools, and if

they have complied with the law in all its requirements, they shall order the payment as provided for in this act,"

On which the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Browning, Coolbaugh, Coop, Fulton, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McAchran, Preston, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—13.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Clark, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Jordan, McCrary, Matthews, Needham, Park, Saunders, Schram, Test and Wilkinson—15.

The amendment was lost.

Mr. Browning moved to amend the first section, by adding the following: "*Provided*, said payment shall be made alone out of the University Fund,"

Which was adopted.

The question being on ordering the bill to a third reading,

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Birge. Clark, Coolbaugh, Fulton, Hamilton, Hillis, Hogan, Jordan, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, Needham, Park, Saunders, Schram, Test, Wilkinson and Mr. President—20.

NAYS.—Messrs. Browning, Coop, Love, McAchran, Preston, Thurston, Udell and Workman—8.

The bill was ordered to a third reading, and

On motion

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

Mr. Hamilton, by unanimous consent, introduced

Senate File No. 172, a bill for an act to repeal chapter 72 of the Code,

Which was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

Was referred to the committee on schools.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Nourse, chief clerk.

MR. PRESIDENT:

I herewith return the following bill, the same having passed the House without amendment:

Senate File No. 167, bill for an act to create the 10th Judicial District.

I am also directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate, that the House has passed the following bills, in which they ask the concurrence of the Senate.

House File No. 175, an act to organize the militia to repel invasions, &c.

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.

Also, the House has passed without amendment,

Senate File No. 115, a bill for an act locating a State road from Centralia to Marietta.

Also, Senate File No. 155, a bill for an act to provide for the extinquishment of escheats.

CHAS. C. NOURSE, *Clerk.*

The House of Representatives having returned

Senate File No. 28, a bill for an act to regulate mills and millers within the State of Iowa,

With an amendment.

The Senate refused to agree to said amendment.

H. R. File No. 173, an act to legalize the acts of Wm. Tucker, as Notary Public, in Chickasaw county,

Was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

Was referred to the committee on the judiciary.

H. R. File No. 176, a bill for an act to create a board of commismissioners, with authority to erect a free bridge across Cedar river at Cedar rapids,

Was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended and the bill was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

H. R. No. 175, an act to organize the militia to repel invasion, &c.,

Was read a first and second times, and

On motion.

Was referred to the committee on military affairs.

The Senate disagreed to the substitute passed by the House of Representatives, for

Senate File No. 23, an act to prevent waste or trespass on swamp or other lands in this State.

On motion of Mr. Fulton,

Senate File No. 23, an act to authorize county judges to appropriate county funds for road purposes,

Was taken from the table.

The question being on the following amendment offered by Mr. Test:

"Any money which may arise from the sale of swamp lands, or any other funds within the county."

It was not agreed to.

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until 7 o'clock P. M.

SEVEN O'CLOCK, P. M.

Mr. Coolbaugh from the committee on internal improvements, to which was referred,

H. R. File No. 69, an act for the relief of settlers on certain river lands,

Reported the same back without amendment, and recommended its passage.

On motion,

The bill was referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Shields from the committee on ways and means, to which was referred,

H. R. File No. 126, an act creating a board of equalization for the State,

Reported the same back and recommended its indefinite postponement,

The report was concurred in and the bill was indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Browning,

The Senate insisted upon its amendment to

H. R. File No. 140, an act to prevent swine running at large,

And request a conference.

The President appointed Senators Browning, Anderson and Preston managers of the conference on the part of the Senate.

Mr. Preston from the committee on schools, to which was referred,

Senate File No. 84, a bill for an act to create a branch of the State University at Ashland,

Reported the same back and recommended its indefinite postponement.

The report was concurred in, and the bill indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Preston, by unanimous consent, introduced

Senate File No. 173, an act authorizing persons to sue the State of Iowa,

Which was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

Was referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Matthews from the committee on enrolled bills, reported that,

Senate Files Nos. 22, 86, 102, 164, 46, 49, 109, 144, 9, 119, 100, 75, 107, 108, 18, 96, 154, 102, 166, 116, 126, 184, 157, 142, 139, 51, 165, 57, 68, 7, 141, had been presented to the Governor for his approval.

Mr. Shields by unanimous consent, introduced

Senate File No. 174, a bill for an act to amend sections No. 492, and 498 of the Code,

Was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

Was referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Hamilton, from the judiciary committee, to which was referred

Senate File No. 114, a bill to amend chapter 105, of the Code of Iowa,

Reported the same back with one amendment, and recommended its passage.

The amendment was concurred in by the Senate.

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Mr. Ramsay, from the committee on military affairs, reported,

Senate File No 175, an act to organize, discipline, and govern the militia of the State of Iowa.

Was read a first and second times.

Mr. McCrary moved to lay the bill on the table.

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Browning, Clark, Coolbaugh, Fulton, McCrary, Matthews and Schram—7.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Coop, Hamilton, Hogan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, Needham, Park, Preston, Ramsay, Saunders, Shields, Thurston, Udell, Wilkinson, Workman and Mr. President —19.

The motion was lost.

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, and

The question being, "Shall the bill pass?"

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Birge, Coop, Hamilton, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, Park, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—14.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Clark, Coolbaugh, Fulton, Hogan, McCrary, Matthews, Needham, Saunders, Schram, and Wilkinson—12.

The bill was passed and the title agreed to.

Mr. Hamilton from the committee on the judiciary, to which was referred,

Senate File No. 44, a bill for an act regulating the pleadings in courts of justice,

Reported the same back with one amendment, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Thurston moved to indefinitely postpone the bill,

Which was lost.

The amendments made by the committee were concurred in.

On motion of Mr Anderson,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

Mr. Udell, from the select committee, to which was referred

Senate File No. 163, a bill for an act allowing school fund commissioners pay for certain services.

Also, H. R. File No. 144, an act supplemental to an act to dispose of the saline lands.

Reported Senate File No. 153, as substitute for House File No. 144, and recommended its passage.

The report was concurred in.

On motion.

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

Mr. Birge, from the committee on incorporations, to which was referred

Senate File No. 148, a bill for an act relating to the interest on city and county bonds,

Reported the same back without amendment, and recommended its passage.

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and its title agreed to.

Mr. Hamilton, from the committee on the judiciary, to which was referred,

House File No. 103, an act to revive chapter 51 of the Code, entitled lost goods and estrays,

Reported the same back, and recommended its indefinite postponement.

The report was concurred in, and the bill indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Love from the committee on the judiciary, to which was referred,

Senate File No. 131, a bill for an act regulating the salaries of certain county officers in Monroe county,

Reported the same back and recommended its indefinite postponement.

The report was concurred in, and the bill indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Love, from the committee on the judiciary, to which was referred,

H. R. File No. 101, a bill to amend section 638, chapter 41, of the Code of Iowa,

Reported the same back without amendment and recommended its passage.

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

On motion,

The Senate adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24th, 1855.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. Hamilton, from the committee on the judiciary, to which was referred,

Senate File No. 150, a bill for an act to amend chapter 10 of the Code, reported a substitute for the same and recommended its adoption.

The substitute was adopted, and

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by Mr. Nourse, chief clerk.

MR. PRESIDENT—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives insist on their amendment to Senate File No. 23, and ask a conference thereon, and that the House has appointed Messrs. Dewey of Fremont, Jackson and Yeomans said committee of conference on the part of the House of Representatives.

CHAS. C. NOURSE, *Clerk House Rep.*

Mr. Shields, from the committee on ways and means, to which was referred

Senate File No 174, a bill for an act to amend sections 492 and 498 of the Code.

Reported the same back, with amendments, and recommended its passage.

The question being on concurring in the first amendment,

Mr. Park moved to amend the amendment by adding the following:

"*Provided*, the improvement shall not exceed two hundred dollars until the expiration of two years."

Which was agreed to,

Mr. Browning moved to indefinitely postpone the bill.

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Browning, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Fulton, Hamilton, Hogan, Jordan, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Needham, Saunders, Schram, Udell, Wilkinson and Mr. President. —18.

NAYS.—Messrs. Birge, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, Park, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Test, Thurston and workman.—11.

The bill was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Saunders, from the select committee on the State University reported

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 and University lands.

Was read a first and second time, and

On motion of Mr. Workman,

Was referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Udell, from the committee on schools, to which was referred

Senate File No. 172, a bill for an act to repeal chapter 72 of the Code, reported a substitute for the same and recommended its passage.

The substitute was adopted.

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended and the bill was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

Mr. Anderson, from the select committee to which was referred

House R. File No. 46, a bill for an act to fix the time of holding

courts in the 9th Judicial District, reported a substitute for the same and recommended its passage.

The substitute was adopted.

On motion,

The eleventh rule rule was suspended and the bill was read a third time, passed and the title agreed to.

Mr. Test, from the committee on the judiciary, to which was referred

H. R. File No. 112, an act to amend chapter 64 of the Code, as to mechanics liens, reported the same back and recommended its indefinite postponement.

The question being on concurring in the report,

Mr. Hamilton moved the previous question, which was sustained, and the question being, "Shall the main question be now put?"

It was decided in the affirmative, and the question being put

"Shall the bill be indefinitely postponed?"

It was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. McAchran, from the committee on claims reported

Senate File No. 177, joint resolution for compensation to newspaper publishers.

Which was read a first and second time.

Mr. Test moved to amend by inserting after the word "cents" the words "semi-weekly seventy-five cents."

Which was agreed to.

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

Mr. Jordan, from the select committee, to which was referred

H. R. File No. 97, an act to fix the times of holding the courts in the 5th district,

Reported a substitute for ths same, and recommended its passage.

The substitute was adopted, and

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

Mr. McAchran, from the committee on claims, reported

The claim of R. M. Burnett, and recommended its allowance.

Also, the claim of S. W. Marquardt, and recommended its allowance.

Also, the claim of Hart & Love, and recommended its allowance.

Also, the claim of D. H. & O. Startsman, and recommended its allowance.

Also, the claim of E. K. Rugg, and recommended its allowance.

Also, the claim of L B. & O. A. Patterson, and recommended its allowance.

Also, the claim of Paul C. Jeffreys, and recommended the allow- of $16.

Also, the claim of the Postmaster at Iowa City, and recommended its allowance.

The reports were severally concurred in, and the claims allowed.

Mr. Shields, on leave, presented the petition of 34 citizens of Clayton county, in relation to additional mail facilities.

Which was laid on the table.

Mr. Test, from the committee on the judiciary, to which was referred

H. R. File No. 65, a bill for an act providing for the more speedy enforcement of judgments and liens,

Reported the same back without amendment, and recommended its passage.

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Nourse, chief clerk.

MR. PRESIDENT:—I herewith return the following bills, the same having passed the House without amendment:

Senate File No. 47, "bill for an act to establish a State land office with a register thereof."

Senate File No. 87, "a bill for an act regulating the issue of county and corporate bonds."

Senate File No. 114, "a bill to amend chapter 105 of the Code of Iowa."

Also, Senate File No. 151, "joint resolution making an appropriation for the State Library."

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk of H. of Rep.*

MR PRESIDENT:—I am directed by the House of Representatives, to inform the Senate that the House has indefinitely postponed the following bills:

Senate File No. 44, "a bill for an act regulating the pleadings in courts of justice."

Also, Senate File No. 175, "a bill for an act to organize, discipline, and govern the militia of the State of Iowa."

CHARLES. C. NOURSE, *Clerk of H. of Rep.*

Mr. Shields, by unanimous consent, introduced

Senate File No. 178, an act confirming certain privileges and franchises on a water company in the city of of Dubuque,

Which was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

Mr. Lucas, from the committee on roads, to which was referred

H. R. File No. 142, an act to create cities and villages, one road district in certain cases,

Reported the same back without recommendation.

On motión of Mr. Anderson,

The bill was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Matthews. from the committee on enrolled bills, reported

Senate Files Nos. 170, 124, 161, 129, 98, 113, 155, 163, 40, 136, and 27, as correctly enrolled.

The President laid before the Senate the following message from His Excellency the Governor:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE, January 24, 1855.

TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE:

I herewith return to the Senate, where it originated, a bill, entitled "an act in reference to an ordinance passed by the city council of Dubuque, Jan 15th, A. D. 1855," without my approval.

The bill declares "That said persons mentioned in said ordinance, be and they are hereby declared an incorporate company, *with perpetual succession*, and that they are hereby conferred with all the rights and privileges given to them by said ordinance of the city of Dubuque, and that they have such other rights, *as they can acquire*, by incorporating under the general act of incorporation of the State of Iowa." The bill does not seek to confer upon a corporation already in legal existence, the right to supply the city of Dubuque with water. To the grant of such a franchise, there could be no constitutional objection.

The whole design of this bill sems to be, and the whole effect of it would be, if it could be properly enacted, to create the persons named in the ordinance of the city of Dubuque, *a perpetual corporation, with power to take such additional right*, as they might hereafter acquire under the *general laws of the State*.

I think this bill is in manifest conflict with the second section of the eighth article of the Constitution of the State, which declares, that "corporations shall not be created in this State by special laws, except for political or municipal purposes.

The purpose of this bill is neither political or municipal; it not only would create a special incorporation, but it would give to it perpetuity, whilst the duration of corporations organized for similar purposes, under the general laws of the State, is limited to fifty years.

JAMES W. GRIMES.

The question being,

"Shall the bill pass notwitstanding the objections of the Governor?"

On which question the yeas and nays were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—None.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Browning, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Fulton, Hamilton, Hogan, Jordan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Park, Preston, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Wilkinson, Workman and Mr. President—28.

The bill did not pass.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Nourse, Chief Clerk:

MR. PRESIDENT.—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House has concurred in the Senate substitute for House File No. 37, "a bill to apportion the State and define the boundaries of Senatorial and Representative Districts."

Also Joint Resolutions No 16, and House File No. 104, bill for an act altering the boundaries and regulating the terms of courts in the second Judicial District"

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk H. Rep.*

MR. PRESIDENT:—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bills in which they ask the concurrence of the Senate.

House File No, 177, a bill for an act establishing a State road from Indian Town in Tama county, to Grinnell in Powesheik county.

Also, House File No. 179, bill for an act to amend sections No. 492 and 498 of the Code.

Also, House File No. 178 a bill for an act providing for an additional section to chapter 48 of the acts of 1852–3

CHAS. C. NOURSE, *Clerk House Rep.*

The President laid before the Senate the Report of the Board of Trustees of the State University, and of James D. Eads as president of said Board, called for by a joint resolution of General Assembly. which

On motion of Mr. Browning,

Were referred to the commissioners to examine the accounts of the State officers

Mr. Browning from the committee on the judiciary, to which was referred

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 this State, approved Jan 13, 1853,

Reported a substitute for the same and recommended its passage.

Mr. Preston offered a substitute for the substitute,

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Browning moved to amend by adding the following:

"Section 6. None of the lands now lying in any county now unorganized shall be ordered into market, or sold until the expiration of two years from the first day of March next."

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Test moved to strike out the first section.

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Clark, Lucas, Preston, Test, Udell and Wilkinson—6.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Browning, Coolbaugh, Coop, Fulton, Hamilton, Love McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Park, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, Shields, Thurston, Workman and Mr. President—20.

The motion was lost.

Mr. Test moved to indefinitely postpone the bill.

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Clark, Lucas, Preston, Test and Udell—5.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Birge, Browning, Coolbaugh, Coop, Fulton, Hamilton, Jordan, Love, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Needham, Park, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, Shields, Thurston, Wilkinson, Workman and M. President—23.

The motion was lost.

The report of the committee was then concurred in.

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

Mr. Udell, by unanimous consent, introduced

Senate File No. 179, a bill for an act granting mileage to the trustees of the State University.

Which was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

The House of Representatives having asked a conference upon the disagreeing vote of the two Houses upon

Senate File No. 23, an act to prevent waste and trespass on swamp or other lands in this State.

The Senate adhered to their disagreement, and

The President appointed Senators Coolbaugh, Hamilton and Anderson, managers of the conference, on the part of the Senate.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by Mr. Nourse, Chief Clerk:

MR. PRESIDENT:—I herewith present for your signature the following bills, the same having passed both branches of the General Assembly, and been duly signed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, to-wit:

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. 169, an act to authorize John M. May and his associates to construct a dam across Cedar river in Linn county.

House File No. 73, an act to amend section 2383, of the Code of Iowa.

House File No. 85, an act granting to the county of Pottawattamie five thousand dollars out of the proceeds of 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.

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk H. Rep.*

The Senate concurred in the amendment made by the House of Representatives to

Senate File No. 94, a bill for an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate Iowa City.

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until 7 o'clock, P. M.

SEVEN O'CLOCK, P. M.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Nourse, Chief Clerk:

MR. PRESIDENT:—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bills in which they ask the concurrence of the Senate.

House File No. 180, an act to amend an act to incorporate the Mt. Pleasant Collegiate Institute, approved Feb. 15, 1844.

MR. PRESIDENT:—I herewith return the following bills, the same having passed the House without amendment:

Senate File No. 169, joint resolution for the relief of the officers, soldiers, and sailors of the war of 1812.

Substitute for House File No. 144, a bill for an act allowing school fund commissioners pay for certain services.

Also Senate File No. 168, a bill for an act providing for the collection of money due to State of Iowa, from the government of

the United States, arising from the disposition of the swamp lands, and for selecting the swamp lands, and securing the title to the same.

Also, Senate File No. 178, a bill for an act confirming certain privileges and franchises on a water company in the city of Dubuque.

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk of H. of Rep.*

MR. PRESIDENT—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House has concurred in the amendments of the Senate to

Substitute for House File No. 130, an act directing the payment of certain moneys to the Normal School at Oscaloosa and Andrew.

Also, the House has concurred in the amendments of the Senate to

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.

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk H. Rep.*

I am also directed to inform the Senate that the House insists on its amendment to

Senate File No. 28, a bill for an act to regulate mills and millers.

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk of the House of Reps.*

MR. PRESIDENT:—I herewith present for your signature the following bills, the same having passed both branches of the General Assembly, and been duly signed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, to wit:

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 Falls 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 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.

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk.*

Mr. Test, by unanimous consent, introduced

Senate File No. 180, memorial to Congress in behalf of the Pacific Railroad,

Which was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the memorial was read a third time, passed, and title agreed to.

The House having refused to recede from its amendment to Senate File No. 58, a bill for an act to regulate grist mills and millers within the State of Iowa;

On motion,

The Senate insisted upon its disagreement to the amendment, and asked a conference.

The President appointed Senators Udell, Test and Wilkinson, managers of the conference on the part of the Senate.

H. R. File No. 179, a bill for an act to amend sections No. 492 and 498 of the Code,

Was read a first and second times.

Mr. Preston offered a substitute for the bill,

Which was lost.

On motion of Mr. Shields,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

H. R. File No. 180, a bill to amend an act to incorporate the Mt. Pleasant Collegiate Institute, approved Feb. 15, 1844,

Was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

H. R. File No. 177, a bill in relation to a State road from Indian town, in Tama county, to Grinnell, in Powesheik county,

Was read a first and second times.

Mr. Preston moved to amend, by inserting the words "Isaac" between the words "Col." and "Butler,"

Which was agreed to.

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

H. R. File, No 178, a bill for an act providing an additional section to chapter 48, of the acts of 1852–3,

Was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time passed, and the title agreed to.

Senate File No. 167, joint resolution in relation to an Asylum for the blind, and deaf and dumb,

Was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

Mr. Thurston, by unanimous consent, introduced

Senate File No. 181, a bill for an act to provide for the distribution of the Code,

Which was read a first and second times.

Mr. Coolbaugh moved to indefinitely postpone the bill,

Which was agreed to.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Nourse, chief clerk:

MR. PRESIDENT:

I herewith return the following bills, the same having passed the House without amendment:

Senate File No. 150, bill for an act to amend chap. 10 of the Code.

Also, Senate File No. 179, a bill for an act granting mileage to the trustees of the State University.

Also, Senate File No. 172, a bill for an act repealing certain portions of chapter 72 of the Code.

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk.*

MR. PRESIDENT:

I herewith return to the Senate, House substitute for Senate File

No. 23, with amendments recommended by committee of conference thereupon, in which the House of Representatives has concurred.

CHAS. C. NOURSE, *Clerk.*

The Senate concurred in the report of the committee of conference, upon the disagreeing vote of the two Houses upon Senate File No. 23, a bill to prevent trespass or waste on swamp or other lands in the State of Iowa, and for other purposes.

Mr Needham, from the select committee to which was referred

H. R. File No. 18, an act fixing the terms of the District Court in the third Judicial District,

Reported the same back with amendments, and recommended its passage.

The amendments were concurred in, and

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

Mr. Love, from the committee on the judiciary, to which was referred,

H. R. File No. 69, an act for the relief of settlers on certain river lands,

Reported the same back and recommended its passage.

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

Mr. Shields, by unanimous consent, introduced

Senate File No. 182, an act to lay out and establish a State road from Lovell's farm, in Dubuque county, to Canton, in Jackson county,

Which was a read a first and second times, and

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

Mr. Preston, from the select committee to which was referred

H. R. File No. 24, joint resolution relative to the claim of Joseph D. Hoag, as commissioner to locate a permanent seat of Government,

Reported the same back without recommendation.

The question being on ordering the bill to a third reading,

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Birge, Hamilton, Jordan, Love, McCulloch, Matthews, Park, Preston, Saunders, Schram and Mr. President—11.

NAYS.—Messrs. Anderson, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Hogan, McCrary, Needham, Ramsay, Shields, Thurston, Udell and Workman —12.

The Senate refused to order the bill to a third reading.

Mr. Love, from the committee on the judiciary, to which was referred

H. R. File No. 157, a bill for an act to extend the jurisdiction of county courts,

Reported the same back without amendment, and recommended its passage.

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time.

Mr. Needham moved to indefinitely postpone the bill,

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Hamilton, Hogan, Jordan, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Needham, Park, Saunders, Schram and Wilkinson—12.

NAYS.—Messrs. Birge, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Fulton, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, Preston, Ramsay, Shields, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—15.

The motion was lost.

The question being, "shall the bill pass?"

It was decided in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Thurston,

Resolved, That E. Sangster be, and is hereby, employed for and on the part of the Senate, to forward any matter that may be received at the post office in this city, or any documents that may be printed for the use of the Senate, to the members of the Senate.

Mr. McAchran, from the committee on claims, to which was referred.

H. R. File No. 34, joint resolution granting compensation to Israel Kister for services rendered the State as agent in the selection of saline lands,

Reported the same back, and recommended its passage.

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the resolution was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by Mr. Nourse, Chief Clerk :

MR. PRESIDENT:—I am directed by the House of Representatives, to inform the Senate that the House has indefinitely postponed the following :

Senate File No. 123, "a bill for an act to authorize county judges to appropriate county funds for roads and bridges."

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk of H. of Rep.*

Mr. Love, from the committee on the judiciary, to which was referred

H. R. File No. 123, an act to legalize the acts of William Tucker, as notary public in Chickasaw county, Iowa,

Re ported the same back without recommendation:

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and title agreed to.

Mr. Ramsay, from the committee on military affairs, to which was referred

H. R. File No. 175, an act to organize the militia to repel invasions, &c.,

Reported the same back without recommendation.

On motion,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Love, from the committee on the judiciary, to which was referred

Senate File No. 173, an act authorizing persons to sue the State of Iowa,

Reported the same back without recommendation.

Mr. Fulton moved to amend by adding the following :

"*Provided*, That in all cases the Governor, as the representative of the State, shall have the right to an appeal to the General Assembly."

The question being on the adoption of the amendment.

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows :

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Coolbaugh, Fulton, Lucas, Matthews, McAchran, Schram, Shields and Thurston—9.

NAYS.—Messrs. Birge, Coop, Hamilton, Hogan, Jordan, Love, McCulloch, McCrary, Needham, Park, Preston, Ramsay, Saunders Udell, Wilkinson and Workman—16.

The amendment was lost,

Mr. Fulton moved to indefinitely postpone the bill.

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Anderson, Coolbaugh, Fulton, Hogan, Jordan, Lucas, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Needham, Park, Schram, Shields and Thurston—14.

NAYS.—Messrs. Birge, Coop, Hamilton, Love, McCulloch, Preston, Ramsay, Saunders, Udell, Wilkinson and Workman—11.

The bill was indefinitely postponed.

On motion,

The Senate adjourned.

THURSDAY, JAN. 25, 1855.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the chaplain.

Mr. Hamilton, from the committee on public lands, to which 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 saline and university lands, reported the same back without recommendation.

Mr. Test moved to amend by striking out section 6.

Which was lost.

Mr. Udell moved to amend by striking out sections 7, 8, and 9.

Which was lost.

Mr. Test moved to amend by striking out in section 6, "time of taking effect of this act," and inserting "first day of January next."

Which was lost.

The question being on ordering the bill to be engrossed and read a third time,

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Birge, Browning, Coolbaugh, Fulton, Hamilton, Hogan, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Needham, Park, Preston, Saunders, Schram, Wilkinson and Mr. President—17.

NAYS.—Messrs. Clark, Coop, Love, Ramsay, Test, Thurston, Udell and Workman—8.

The bill was ordered to a third reading to-morrow.

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives, by Mr Nourse, Chief Clerk:

MR. PRESIDENT:—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House have passed House File No. 150, an act making additional appropriations, and ask the concurrence of the Senate therein.

CHAS. C. NOURSE, *Clerk House Rep.*

MR. PRESIDENT:—I herewith return the following bills, the same having passed the House without amendment.

Senate File No. 167, joint resolution relating to asylum for the blind and deaf and dumb.

Also, Senate File No. 182, an act to lay out and establish a State road from Lovell's farm, in Dubuque county, to Canton, in Jackson county.

CHAS. C. NOURSE, *Clerk House Rep.*

MR. PRESIDENT:—I herewith return to the Senate the followidg bills, the same having passed the House without amendment:

Senate File No. 148, a bill for an act to regulate the interest on city or county bonds.

Also, passed, in which they ask the concurrence of the Senate.

House File No. 181, a bill for an act to change the Records of the village plat of Decota, in Dubuque county.

CHAS. C. NOURSE, *Clerk House Rep.*

MR. PRESIDENT:—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives have passed Senate File joint resolution No. 177, for compensation to publishers of newspapers with amendments.

CHAS. C. NOURSE, *Clerk.*

Mr. Matthews, from the committee on enrolled bills, reported Senate Files No., 27, 113, 129, 170, 155, 140, 98, 124, 163, 136 and

161, had been presented to his Excellency the Governor for his approval.

Also, Senate Files, Nos. 97, 94, 87, 114, 76, 2, 158, 138, 144, 99, 171, 115, 168, 167, 65, 151, 67, 90, 117, 128, 172, 179, 169, 140, 178, 150, 70, 23, 135, 167, and 182, as correctly enrolled.

Mr. McAchran, from the committee on claims, reported

The claim of Geo. S. Hampton, and recommended the allowance of $111,40.

Also, the claim of Wm. Vogt, for translating Governor's message and recommended its allowance.

The reports were severally concurred in.

Mr. Shields, from the committee on ways and means, to which was referred

Senate File No. 145, a bill providing for the further completion of the State House,

Reported a substitute for the same, and recommended its passage

The substitute was adopted.

Mr. Fulton moved to fill the blank in the first section with "three thousand."

Mr. Shields moved to fill the blank with "six thousand."

Mr. Park moved to fill the blank with "four thousand."

The question being on filling the blank with "six thousand."

On which question the yeas and nays were demanded, and being ordered, were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Birge, Fulton, Hamilton, Love, McCulloch, Preston, Shields, Test, Thurston, Wilkinson, Workman, and Mr. President —12.

NAYS.—Messrs. Browning, Clark, Coolbaugh, Coop, Hogan, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Needham, Park, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, and Udell—14.

The motion was lost.

The question being on filling the blank with "four thousand."

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Browning moved to amend by adding an additional section.

Which was agreed to.

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

The following messages were received from the House of Representatives by Mr. Nourse, Chief Clerk:

MR. PRESIDENT—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives have reconsidered the vote of yesterday, by which the further consideration of Senate File No. 48, was indefinitely postponed, and have passed the same with amendment, in which they ask the concurence of the Senate.

Also, the House has passed House File No. 182, a bill for an act to amend an act entitled an act to amend chapter 37 of the Code.

Also, House File No. 183, a bill for an act to amend an act to authorize the construction of a free bridge across Cedar river, in which they ask the concurrence of the House.

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk of H. of Rep.*

MR. PRESIDENT:—I herewith present for your signature the following bills, the same having passed both branches of the General Assembly, and been duly signed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, to wit:

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 104, an act to alter the boundaries of the second judicial district, &c.

Also, House File No. 130, an act directing the payment of certain moneys to the normal schools of Oscaloosa 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 section 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, 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, &c.

Also, substitute for House File No. 18, an act fixing the terms of the District Courts 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 Mt. Pleasant Collegiate Institute.

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 substitute for Senate File No. 180, joint resolution,

Also, House File No. 140, an act to fix the terms for holding Courts in the 9th Judicial District.

Also House File joint resolution No. 34.

CHAS. C. NOURSE, *Clerk House Rep.*

H. R. File No. 150, an act making additional appropriations for the fiscal years of 1855 and 1856.

Was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

Referred to committee on ways and means.

H. R. File No. 181, a bill for an act to change the records of the village plat of Decota, in Dubuque county, was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

H. R. 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 across the Cedar river, at Cedar Rapids, in Linn county," approved Jan. 25, 1855, was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

Laid on the table.

H. R. File No. 182, a bill for an act to amend an act entitled, "An Act to amend chapter 37 of the Code," was read a first and second times,

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended and the bill was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

The Senate refused to concur in the amendment made by the House of Representatives to Senate File No. 177.

The Senate concurred in the amendment made by the House of Representatives to Senate File No. 48.

Mr. Fulton, by unanimous consent, introduced

Senate File No. 183, an act to authorize County Judges to appropriate county funds for the construction of roads and bridges, which was read a first and second times.

Mr. Thurston moved to amend as follows:

"*Provided*, The Judge shall in no caso promise to erect more than ten bridges in any one canvass."

Which was lost.

Mr. Ramsay moved to indefinitely postpone.

Which was lost.

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended and the bill was read a third time, passed, and title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Browning,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Senate are due, and are hereby tendered to the Hon. M. L. Fisher, for the able, impartial and courteous manner in which he has presided over this body during its present session.

On motion of Mr. Coop,

Resolved, That 1500 copies of the Journal of the Senate, embracing the proceedings of the present session be printed, and that ten copies thereof be distributed to each member of the Senate, that ten copies shall be distributed to each organized county, and that the remainder be deposited with the Secretary of State.

On motion of Mr. Udell,

Resolved, That the Hon. M. L. Fisher, be allowed the sum of two dollars per day for his services as President of the Senate during the present session of the General Assembly, over and above his regular per diem as a member of the Senate.

Mr. Shields, by unanimous consent, introduced,

Senate File No. 184, joint resolution 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.

Which was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended and the resolution was read a third time, passed, and title agreed to.

Mr. Coop moved to reconsider the vote upon

Senate File No. 176, a bill in relation to Saline, University, and School lands.

Which was agreed to.

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended and the bill was read a third time passed, and title agreed to.

Mr. Love introduced the following:

Resolved, That B. P. Rankin, Secretary of the Senate, be allowed the sum of four hundred and fifty dollars for indexing the journals, and superintending the printing and distribution of the same. Also that he be allowed the sum of four dollars per day for his services as Secretary of the Senate for the present session.

Resolved, That P. B. Bradley be allowed the sum of five dollars per day, for his services as Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Ramsay moved to strike out "four hundred and fifty" in the first resolution.

On which question the yeas and nays were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Birge, Browning, Coolbaugh, Coop, Fulton, Hamilton, Hogan, Matthews, McAchran, Needham, Park, Preston, Ramsey, Saunders and Wilkinson—15.

NAYS.—Messrs. Clark, Love, McCulloch, McCrary, Schram, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell and Workman—10.

The motion was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. Ramsay moved to fill the blank with "two hundred."

Mr. Shields moved to fill the blank with "four hundred."

Mr. Thurston moved to refer the bill to the committee on ways and means.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Workman from the select committee to which was referred,

Senate File No. 105, an act to amend an act granting to railroad companies the right of way.

With instructions to investigate the statements in regard to the alleged alterations in said bill, made the following report:

The special committee to whom was referred

Senate File No. 105,

Beg leave to submit the following report:

From the evidence herewith returned, we are induced to believe that some additions have been made to said bill since its introduction into the Senate, without the concurrence or knowledge of this body. We will not here undertake to express any opinion as to whom said addition is attributable, nor as to the motives that caused said change, but leave the Senate to draw its own conclusions from the evidence herewith submitted. We cannot, however, refrain from expressing the opinion that such an unwarrantable interference with the business of the Senate, without its knowledge or consent, either by individual members of this body, or other persons, is unsafe as a precedent, dangerous in practice, and that no proper motives could have influenced the person or persons who made such addition. We are, therefore, of the opinion, that a cause which requires a resort to such means should not receive the support of this Senate, and therefore recommend the indefinite postponement of said bill.

M. D. BROWNING,
SAM'L WORKMAN, } *Committee.*
M. A. THURSTON.

Mr. Adams requested me to present the bill in relation to the right of way, &c., to railroad companies. I presented it as he gave it to me and had it referred to the committee on internal improvements, and never saw it again until Mr. Workman called attention to it yesterday. I do not remember how many sections it contained when presented, nor can I now state whether the obliteration that now appears upon the original bill was made at the time I presented it or not. I took no particular notice of it, except the two sections granting the right, and providing for damages.

The bill was not written by me.

J. M. LOVE.

Mr. Adams told me he had fixed the bill so he thought it would be unobjectionable to any member, and would accomplish what he desired, and what he thought was right. He requested me to examine it when I had leisure.

J. D. TEST.

This occurred after the second reading of the bill.

On the day on which Senate File No. 105 was ordered to a third reading, Mr. Adams came to the Secretary's desk and requested me to allow him to look at the bill a few minutes. I handed him the bill without opening or examining it, and he took it and was gone a few minutes when he returned it to me, and I gave it to the engrossing clerk without opening or examining it. My present recollection is that there was but two sections left in the bill when it was ordered to a third reading.

THOMAS HUGHES, *Assistant Clerk.*

The question being on indefinitely postponing

Senate File No. 105.

Mr. Test moved to strike out the second section of the bill.

Mr. Coop moved to strike out all after the enacting clause.

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs Birge, Clark, Coop, Fulton, Hogan, McCulloch, Needham, Park, Ramsay, Saunders, Udell, Wilkinson and Workman—13.

NAYS.—Messrs. Browning, Coolbaugh, Hamilton, Love, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Preston, Schramm, Shields, Test, Thurston—12.

The motion was agreed to.

On motion,

The Senate adjourned until two o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK P. M.

Mr. Browning, by unanimous consent, introduced

Senate File No. 185, a bill for an act in relation to disbursing officers and agents,

Which was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

The House of Representatives having insisted upon its amendment to Senate File No. 177, and asked a conference, the Senate granted a conference, and the President appointed Senators Preston, Park and Saunders, managers of the conference on the part of the Senate.

The following message was received from the House by Mr. Nourse, chief clerk:

MR. PRESIDENT:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate, that the House insist on its amendment to Senate File No. 177, for compensation to publishers of newspapers, and ask a conference thereon, and have appointed Messrs. Williams, Corse and Tisdale managers of said conference on the part of the House.

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk.*

MR. PRESIDENT:

I herewith return Senate File No. 145, a bill providing for the further completion of the State House, without amendment,

Also, the House of Representatives has passed House File joint resolution No. 35, memorial for certain mail facilities, in which they ask the concurrence of the Senate.

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk.*

Mr. Saunders, from the select committee to which was referred

Senate File No. 152, a bill for an act authorizing the Sup. Pub. Instruction to appoint a deputy,

Reported the same back with one amendment, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Ramsay moved to indefinitely postpone the bill,

On which question the yeas and nays were demanded, and being ordered, were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Birge, Coolbaugh, Fulton, McCrary, Matthews, Needham, Park, Ramsay, Schram and Wilkinson—10.

NAYS.—Messrs. Browning, Clark, Hamilton, Hogan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McAchran, Preston, Saunders, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—16.

The motion was lost.

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time.

The question being "shall the bill pass?"

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Browning, Clark, Hamilton, Hogan, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McAchran, Preston, Saunders, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—16.

NAYS.—Messrs. Birge, Coolbaugh, Fulton, McCrary, Matthews, Needham, Park, Ramsay, Schram and Wilkinson—10.

The bill passed and the title was agreed to.

H. R. File No. 35, joint resolution asking the establishment of a mail route from Dewitt via Grand Mound and Toronto to Tipton,

Was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

The 11th rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by Mr. Nourse, Chief Clerk.

MR. PRESIDENT:

I herewith present for your signature House File No. 81, a bill for an act to change the record 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.

CHAS. C. NOURSE, *Clerk.*

MR PRESIDENT:

I herewith return to the Senate the following bills, the same having passed the House of Representatives without amendment:

Senate File No. 184, joint resolution and memorial to Congress.

Also, that the House has indefinitely postponed the further consideration of Senate File No. 183. an act to authorize County Judges to appropriate county funds for the construction of roads and bridges.

CHAS. C. NOURSE, *Clerk H. R.*

Mr. Preston moved to take from the table H. R. File No. 183.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Preston moved to amend by striking out "ty days" and insert "months."

Which was agreed to.

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended and the bill was read a third time, passed and the title agreed to.

Mr. Preston, by unanimous consent introduced

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.

Which was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

The eleventh was suspended and the bill read a third time, passed and title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Preston,

Resolved, That the names and address of the members of the General Assembly as prepared by the Chaplain of the House of Representatives be entered on the Journals of the Senate.

The committee on enrolled bills report that Senate Files No. 182, 167, 158, 2, 76, 114, 87, 99, 97, 47, 135, 144, 99, 138, 115, 168, 167, 65, 151, 67, 23, 70, 150, 178, 169, 179, 148, 140, 172, 128, 90, 117, have been presented to his Excellency, the Governor for his approval.

MATTHEWS, *Chairman.*

Also, Senate File Nos. 145, 48, 148 145, 187, correctly enrolled.

On motion of Mr. Park,

Resolved, That the thanks o the Senate be tendered to the Rev. Mr. Sherine, for the prompt and acceptable manner which he has attended the Senate in the discharge of his duty as Chaplain of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Workman.

The Senate resolved itself into executive session.

After some time spent therein the executive session rose.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by Mr. Nourse, Chief Clerk.

MR. PRESIDENT:—I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House have passed the following bills:

Senate File No. 176, an act to amend chapter 65 of the Code of Iowa, and to provide for the sale of the Saline and University lands.

With amendments, to wit:

After the word "Saline" in the title insert the words "and school"

Also strike out section 7, and insert sections 7, 8, and 9.

In which they ask the concurrence of the Senate.

Also without amendments,

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.

Also passed, in which they ask the concurrence of the Senate

House File No. 184, "bill for an act to legalize the organization of Mitchell county; and the election and official acts of officers in said county.

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk of the House of Rep.*

The amendments of the House of Representatives to Senate File No. 176, a bill for an act to amend chapter 65 of the Code of Iowa.

The question being shall the Senate concur in the amendments.

Mr. Browning moved the previous question, which was sustained, and the main question being on concurring in the amendments of the House.

It was decided in the affirmative.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by Mr. Nourse, Chief Clerk.

MR. PRESIDENT:—I herewith present for your signature the following bills, the same having passed both branches of the General Assembly, and been duly signed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

House File, joint resolution No. 35, memorial to Congress, 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 Cedar river.

CHAS. C. NOURSE, *Clerk House Rep.*

MR. PRESIDENT:—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives have passed Senate File No. 185, an act in relation to disbursing officers and agents, without amendment.

CHAS. C. NOURSE, *Clerk House Rep.*

Mr. Shields, from the committee on ways and means, to which was referred H. R. File No. 150, an act making additional appropriations for the fiscal years of 1855 and 1856, reported the same back without amendments, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Love moved to strike out "350," and insert "400," in compensation to Secretary of Senate, for indexing &c., Journals.

On which question the yeas and nays were demanded, and being ordered, were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Browning, Clark, Hamilton, Love, Lucas, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, Schram, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Wilkinson, Workman and Mr. President—16.

NAYS.—Messrs. Birge, Coolbaugh, Fulton, McAchran, Needham, Park, Preston, Ramsay and Saunders—9.

The motion was agreed to.

Mr. McAchran moved to strike out $63 to J. H. Bonney.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Ramsay moved to strike out 400 as compensation to Clerk of House, for indexing &c., House Journals.

On which the yeas and nays were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Coolbaugh, Park, Ramsay and Thurston—4.

NAYS.—Messrs. Birge, Browning, Clark, Fulton, Hamilton, Hogan, Love, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Needham, Preston, Saunders, Schram, Shields, Test, Udell, Wilkinson, Workman and Mr. President—21.

The motion was lost.

Mr. Ramsay moved to strike out $96, as compensation to W. H. Merritt,

On which, the yeas and nays being ordered, were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Birge, Browning, Clark, Coolbaugh, Fulton, McCulloch, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Needham, Park, Ramsay, Schram, Udell and Wilkinson—15.

NAYS.—Messrs. Hamilton, Love, Preston, Saunders, Shields, Test Thurston, Workman and Mr. President—9.

The motion was agreed to.

Mr. Browning moved to strike out allowance of $200, for Chaplain of Penitentiary.

Which was lost.

Mr. Udell moved to strike out $100 for postage of Senate, and insert $200.

Which was agreed to.

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the bill was read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

H. R. File No. 184, an act to legalize the organization of Mitchell county, and the election and official acts of officers in said county.

Was read a first and second times, and

On motion,

The eleventh rule was suspended, and the bill read a third time, passed, and the title agreed to.

On motion,

Adjourned until 7 o'clock.

SEVEN O'CLOCK, P. M.

Mr. Matthews, from the committee on enrolled bills, reported Senate File No. 186, 176 and 185, as correctly enrolled.

On his motion,

The Senate resolved itself into executive session.

After some time spent therein, the executive session rose.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Nourse, Chief Clerk.

MR. PRESIDENT.—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House has concurred in the amendments of the Senate to the House File No. 150, with the following exceptions:

1. "Appropriation to Josiah Coles, $49.60, disagreed to."

2. "Appropriation to Dubuque City Guards $784.96 stricken out and $350 inserted

3. "Appropriation of $75 to C, G. Van Gent disagreed to."

4. "Appropriation to Seargent-at-Arms of Senate, "$2.00" per day stricken out and '$3.00' inserted."

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk House Rep.*

The message was taken up.

And the question being on disagreeing to the first amendment made by the House,

On which question the yeas and nays were demanded, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Birge, Clark, Love, McCulloch, Shields, Test, Thurston and Workman—8.

NAYS.—Messrs Browning, Coolbaugh, Fulton, Hamilton, Hogan, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Needham, Park, Preston, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, Udell, Wilkinson and Mr. President—17.

The amendment of the House was agreed to.

The question being on concurring in the second amendment made by House,

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded, were ordered and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Browning, Coolbaugh, Fulton, Hogan, McCrary, Matthews, Needham, Saunders, Schram and Wilkinson—10.

NAYS.—Messrs. Birge, Clark, Hamilton, Love, McCulloch, Park, Ramsay Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President —13.

The amendment was not concurred in.

The question being on concurring in the third amendment of the House.

The amendment was concurred in.

The question being on concurring in the fourth amendment of the House.

On which question the yeas and nays being demanded were ordered, and were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Clark, Coolbaugh, Fulton, Hamilton, Hogan, Love, McCulloch, McCrary, Park, Saunders, Schram, Shields, Test, Thurston, Udell, Workman and Mr. President—17.

NAYS.—Messrs. Birge, Browning, Matthews, Needham, Ramsay and Wilkinson—6.

The amendment was concurred in.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Nourse, Chief Clerk.

MR. PRESIDENT:—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House insists on its amendment to House File No. 150, and ask a conference thereon, and that Messrs. Hall, Williams and Conkey have been appointed managers of the conference on the part of the House.

CHARLES C. NOURSE, *Clerk of House Rep.*

On motion of Mr. Shields,

The Senate insisted on their disagreement to the 2d amendment made by the House to H. R. File No. 150.

The President appointed Senators Shields, Needham and Love, managers of the conference on the part of the Senate.

Mr Shields, from the committee of conference, reported that the committee could not agree.

The following message was received from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Nourse, Chief Clerk.

MR. PRESIDENT.—I am directed to inform the Senate that the House recedes from its amendment to House File No 150 in relation to the appropriation to the Dubuque City Guards

CHAS. C. NOURSE, *Clerk House of Rep.*

The following message was received from the House of Representatives by Mr. Nourse, Chief Clerk.

MR. PRESIDENT:—I herewith present for your signature the following bills, the same having passed both branches of the General Assembly and duly signed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

House File No, 150, an act making additional appropriations for 1855 and 1856: also,

House File No. 184, an act to legalize the organization of Mitchell county, and the election and official act of officers in said county and other purposes.

CHAS. C NOURSE, *Clerk House of Rep.*

Mr Shields moved to take from the table H. R. File No. 175, an act to organize the militia to repel invasion &c,

Which was agreed to.

Messrs. Williams, Dewey of Freemont, and Hyde, a committee from the House of Representatives, were announced and informed the Senate that they were ready to wait upon the Governor and inform him the General Assembly were ready to adjourn.

Mr Udell moved to indefinitely postpone H. R. File No 175

On which question the yeas and nays were demanded and being ordered were as follows:

YEAS.—Messrs. Browning, Fulton, Hogan, McCrary, Matthews, McAchran, Ramsay, Saunders, Schram, Shields, Thurston, Udell, Wilkinson and Workman—13.

NAYS.—Birge, Coolbaugh, Hamilton, Love, McCulloch, Needham Park, Preston, Test and Mr. President—10

The bill was indefinitely postponed.

Senators Coolbaugh, McAchran and Matthews, were appointed a committee to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate were ready to adjourn: and also, to act with a similar committee on the part of the House to wait upon the Governor to ask him if he had any further communications to make to the General Assembly.

After a short time Mr. Coolbaugh reported that the committee had performed the duty assigned them, and that the Governor informed them that he had no further communication to lay before the General Assembly.

Mr. Needham moved that the Senate do now adjourn, *sine die*.

The question being put, and before announcing the result, the President addressed the Senate as follows:

[Concluding remarks not furnished Secretary of Senate.]

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APPENDIX.

GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE.

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 persued 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 judgement, 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 sufficent 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 Geaeral 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.

INAUGURAL ADDRESS OF GOV. GRIMES.

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	
Total amount of receipts,		$134,065 45
During the same period, there has been paid out on Auditor's warrants,		118,542 90
Leaving balance in the treasury of		$15,522 55

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.

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. ½, S. W. ¼, which has been rejected. I supply it with E. ½ of N. E ¼ of Sec. 13, T. 70, R. 17.

Selections contiguous to spring No. 2:

Section	20,	Town	70,	Range	16.
"	21,	"	"	"	"
"	22,	"	"	"	"
"	35,	"	"	"	17.
W. ½ "	10,	"	"	"	"
N.E. ¼ "	10,	"	"	"	"
S. E. ¼ "	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. ¼ of S. E. ¼ of Sec. 2, T. 70, R. 17, I have selected S. E. ¼ of S E. ¼ of Sec. 3, T. 70, R. 17; and in lieu of S. E. ¼ of S. W. ¼ and W. ½ of S. E. ¼, and N. E. ¼ of S. E. ¼ of Sec. 35, T. 71, R. 17, we select the N. W. ¼ 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. ¼ of S. E. ¼ and N. W. ¼ of S. W. ¼ of Sec. 31, T.

70, R. 16, I selected E. ½ of N. E. ¼ of Sec. 12, T. 69, R. 17; and in lieu of N. ½ of S. E. ¼ and N. ½ of S. W. ¼ of Sec. 29, T. 70, R. 16, I selected S. ½ of S. W. ¼ and S. ½ of S. E. ¼ 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. ¼ of Sec. 23, N. W. ¼ of Sec. 24, and S. ½ 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, } Inspectors.
R. W. ALBRIGHT, }
GEORGE GRIGSBY, Warden.

JOHN H. WINTERBOTHAM,
W. D. HEADLEY,
By John W. Winterbotham.

STATE OF IOWA, } ss.
LEE COUNNY. }

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 ay 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 $759 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 eigteen 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 Assemby 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 where 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 informaion 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 supplimental 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 improvesaid 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 conpliance 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 Desmoines 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 Generl 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 werk, 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
	$94,664	15

CR.

By amount paid for work at Farmington in removing 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		
			$95,372	40
Due Commissioners			708	25

[No. 2.]

GEORGE GILLASPY in account with Des Moines River Improvement.

	Dr.		Cr.	
	Acres.	100th		
Amount of lands sold by me from the 23d day of May, 1853, to the 30th of Nov., 1854, inclusive, - - - - - -	74,204	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 Desmoines 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 Desmoines 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 Desmoines 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 Desmoines 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 Desmoines 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 Desmoines River improvement, from the Mississippi river, to Raccoon Forks, on said Desmoines 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 Desmoines 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 Desmoines 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 Registor 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, us 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 Desmoines Improvement, for reference by and government of both parties under this contract. The River-Land Office, for the sale of lands belonging to the Desmoines 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 procticable, 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 fiften 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 Ceorge 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.)

Official seal of the Des Moines Navigation & R. R. Company.

ORVILLE CLARK,
President.
HENRY O'REILLY,
Secretary of the Des Moines Navigation and Rail Road Company.

JOSIAH H. BONNEY, Commissioner, etc. { seal. }

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, { seal. }
Assistant Commissioner.

Copy of Letters of Correspondence of Public Works requesting opinion.

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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,	35

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, 1364, 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, } ss.
COUNTY OF LEE, }

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 Caunty, 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 Beard of Inspectors of the Iowa Penitentiary.
JOHN K SCHWARTZ, Inspector.

poration of the city of Burlington, through its officers, has not violated section 2732 of the criminal Code of Iowa, by issuing notes or other evidences of debt, to be put in circulation as money, and whether said city has not forfeited its charter by violating said law,

Which, on motion of Mr. Shields,

Was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Coolbaugh,

The Senate adjourned until Monday morning, 10 o'clock.

MONDAY MORNING, DEC. 18th, 1854.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. Coolbaugh rose to a privileged question, in reference to the correspondence of the Dubuque Tribune of the 13th inst., misrepresenting the proceedings which were had in joint convention for the opening and counting the votes for Governor, and containing abusive personal allusions.

Senators Love, Shields, Test and Preston made additional remarks, censuring the author of the article.

Mr. Coop presented a memorial for aid to the State agricultural society, which was read, and on his motion 1,000 copies were ordered to be printed for the use of the General Assembly, and the memorial referred to the committee on agriculture.

Mr. Matthews presented the petition of Wm. Jerome, and eighty-four others, asking the establishment of a State road from Lyons, in Clinton county, to Cedar Rapids, in Linn county.

Also the petition of G. W. Stambaugh, and eighty-nine others, asking the establishment of a State road from Lyons, in Clinton county, to Maquoketa, in Jackson county.

And on his motion the reading of the petitions was dispensed with, and the petitions referred to the committee on roads.

Mr. Test gave notice that he would on to-morrow, or some subsequent day, ask leave to introduce a bill to amend an act entitled an to dispose of the swamp and overflowed lands within this State, approved 13th January, 1853.

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 acknowledgments 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.	Tl. No. of days the convicts were employed at work at chores in kitchen and sick.	Sundays and lock-up.
February, 1853,	169	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	20¼	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	61¼	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 af 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
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

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
	$116,083 73
Medical College at Keokuk,	5,000 00
	$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,	7,000 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
	$139,742 00

STATEMENT (C.)

Resources of the State, November 1, 1854.

Counties.	Amount due on 1853, and previous.	Amount due on assessment of 1854.	Total.
Adair,			
Adams,		44 31	44 31
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 assessment 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
Winneshiek,	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 merchandize.	Value of capital employed in manufacturing	Horses.	
							No.	Value.
Adair,								
Adams,		6,659	15,006	2,517			67	3,390
Appanoose,	844	191,634	628,308	28,922	21,501	4,525	1,396	74,055
Alamakee,	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
Boone,	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,	1,263	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,	304	100,107	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,	2,644	238,431	2,069,382	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,	1,097	219,156	1,267,068	95,070	47,583	12,775	2,439	132,194
Madison,	487	163 115	553,384	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	469,450	25,633	16,918	1,735	1,282	64,298
Montgomery,	26	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	64,189

STATEMENT (D.) Continued.

Counties.	No of polls.	Acres of Land.	Value of Land with improvement.	Value of town lots.	Value of capital employed in merchandize.	Value of capital employed in manufacturing.	Horses.	
							No.	Value.
Pottawattamie,	501	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
Wap llo,	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

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.
Adair,										
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	5	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,	14,841	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	683,124
Fremont,	4,190	55,713	22	1,425	329	268	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	10,907	6	235	375	573	1,090	1,568	16,641	75,592
Harrison,									Estimated,	50,000
Henry,	10,310	125,429	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
Johnson,	7,592	121,966	47	3,769	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	966,620
Jefferson,	12,035	120,974	137	6,235	10,543	8,524	28,310	31,603	164,469	1,609,892
Keokuk,	7,292	198,770	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	164,686	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
Marion,	8,674	129,194	51	2,925	6,899	7,446	20,721	26,566	128,816	1,650,578
Mills,	2,746	39,686	17	675	1,424	1,839	4,266	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,	201	4,561	2	160	101	126	552	1,114	2,405	16,539
Monona,	489	8,593			144	144	116	160	2,576	12,810
Marshall,	1,342	21,593	2	100	828	1,078	2,453	3,934	21,953	360,849
Muscatine,	7,757	109,112	57	3,081	2,716	3,440	13,145	18,634	184,149	3,286,534
Page,	1,110	20,893	4	165	1,089	1,989	2,719	4,045	18,121	109,518
Polk,	4,461	62,314	53	2,089	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	36,749	716,621
Scott,	11,137	128,745	35	3,350	3,639	3,805	28,058	27,950	839,746	3,841,116
Story,	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	32,083	167,816	1,538,308
Warren,									Estimated	800,000
Webster,	632	9,223	3	110	394	606	1,158	2,041	10,680	89,164
Winneshiek,	3,441	72,118	8	250	791	1,500	2,358	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 improvement.	Value of town lots.	Value of capital employed in merchandize.	Value of capital 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	61,811	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			307	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,	82	3,563	34,525		160	1,500	113	4,828

Henry,	1,698	241,999	1,232,074	170,834	69,564	7,852	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			3,293	104,264
Keokuk,		172,866	572,988	39,060			1,962	90,651
Lee,	3,441	318,200	1,841,895	1,208,887	284,309	25,635	5,091	218,395
Linn,	1,375		1,087,439	176,660	67,010	16,182	2,964	143,486
Lucas,	224	45,595	93,814	3,994	22,364	300	284	15,930
Louisa,	1,135	179,840	906,839	58,607	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,							231	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
Poweshiek,		43,451	134,953	4,569			483	21,637
Scott,	1 840	285 029	1,355,439	728,343			2,930	126,871
Story,	86	11,378	26,622				113	4,500
Tama,	78	31,121	64,420				102	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

STATEMENT (E.)—Continued.

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 improvement.	Value of Town lots.	Value of capital employed in Merchandize.	Value of capital employed in manufacturing.	Horses. No.	Horses. Value.
Wayne,		31,489	59,497	1,164			280	13 155
Wapello,		216,708	741,269	148,145			2,693	10[illegible] 432
Warren,	603	125,873	415,218	16,332			1.078	49 875
Webster,		560	820				73	[illegible] 794
Winneshiek,		66,643	123,392				313	16.972
Total.	27,620	6,977,192	27,527,106	7,108,002	1,231,704	253,464	73,558	3,218 759

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	1,692	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
DesMoines,	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	360	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	133,054	13	642	5,067	8,589	13,259	25,366	106,562	2,023,627
Johnson,	6,756	84,098	41	2,525	5,335	4,958	11,060	25,049	239,146	1,684,430

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.
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	1,372,917
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	13,601	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	50	666	8 6	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	1,650	3,090	4,547	5,137	10,727	99,420	1,017,382
Pottawattamie,	2,528	29,690	15	740	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

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	29,658
Winneshiek,	2,079	33,858			416	639	1,601	4,008	31,749	210,610
Total.	243,730	$2,856,538	1984	$86,155	162,992	$178,809	430,858	670,209	$4,217,482	$49,540,304

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.

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 Hauy 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 useles 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.

[A.]

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
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
Total amount,	$4,889 50
For teachers' salaries, rents, repairs, and all other expenses, and disbursements,	
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 snbsequent 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.

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.

Counties.	*Acres.*
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,	19,160.57
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).

Counties.	*Acres.*
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
Marshal,	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
Total,	523,337.42

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 6.7.39 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.

Counties.	*Acres.*
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
Total,	2.,695.36

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.

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,	" " "	2,400					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

* NOTE.—The W. ½ 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:

Counties.	*Acres.*
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 or 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
Winneshiek,	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 juaisdiction 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;

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		$159 09	$19,651 45	$40,181 90	$95,983 44
Appanoose,	9,080.	2,040.	2 00	490 12	6,440 30	7,351 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			4,272 98	2,227 55	6,500 53
Boone,	400.	932.12		124 25	530 82	1,253 28	1,908 35
Buchanan,	3,600.	2,003.70		140 24	2,210 69	5,190 05	7,540 98
Bedar,	8,882.79	240.	18 00	516 45	4,856 29	13,244 14	18,634 88
Chickasaw,	1,280.	1,859.91			2,633 04	2,286 79	4,920 73
Clarke,	1,600.	8 984.60		30 00	5,430 78	8,053 09	13,513 87
Clayton,	9,422.25	11,504.92	37 00	677 38	11,603 04	23,315 13	35,632 55
Clinton,	8,226.33	10,962.02	2 00	391 82	8,363 10	25,089 48	33,846 46
Dallas,	3,118.20	13,876.11		142 34	8,765 19	10,047 33	18,954 86
Davis,	9,640.	800.	36 00	1,082 95	4,966 15	10,280 25	16,365 35
Decatur,	3,280.	18,715.88		147 27	15,751 46	11,859 43	27,757 86
Delaware,	6,498.98	7,795.11	11 00	332 05	5,332 45	14,377 61	20,053 11
Des Moines,	6,906.90		88 00	1,551 45	8,739 17	15,231 00	25,610 22
Dubuque,	11,096.10	15,215.85	72 00	1,220 69	11,001 87	23,451 94	35,746 50
Fayette,	4,080.	29,188.10		107 00	10,188 59	28,093 06	44,388 65
Fremont,	2,480.			105 00	1,127 50	2,272 50	3,505 00
Guthrie,	480.			40 00	325 00	315 00	680 00
Hardin,	2.320.	1,360.			1,166 62	2,984 82	4,151 44
Henry,	7,680.		161 00	1,247 29	5,611 79	11,333 15	18,353 23
Iowa,	3,260.	3,723.14		153 23	4,105 90	5,691 50	9,950 63
Jackson,	3,040.	360.	1 00	840 10	2,479 20	5,697 60	9,017 90
Jasper,	3,680.	1,680.		293 92	2,612 50	4,777 50	7,683 92
Jefferson,	7,680.		92 00	1,369 00	5,178 70	10,608 40	17,248 10
Johnson,	7,028.22		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,	8,897 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	7,690 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
Winneshiek,	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 conntitutes a part of the School Fund. It is apportained 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, apportained 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.

Counties.	*Amount.*
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.

Counties.	*Amount.*
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.

Counties.	*Amount.*
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.

Counties.	*Amount.*
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
Winneshiek,	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

		Cr.		
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, - -	$30.000			
" Jasper " - - -	96.82			
" Benton " - - -	50.00			
		446	82	
By amount paid to Louisa county, in lieu of school tax,		230	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 Commissioners, Nov. 19, 1850,		5,566	18	
" loan to State, per Act of Feb. 5, 1851,		2,353	70	
" amount apportioned to Fund Commissioners, Dec. 24, 1851.		6,471	36	
" amount apportioned to Fund Commissioners, March 3, 1853,		11,901	90	
" amount apportioned to Fund Commissioners, 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.

Counties.	*Amount.*
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
	$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 amout 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 notes 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 fand 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.

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 succeding 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
Total,	42,435	$6,137	85	$14,358	08	$20,495	93

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
Boo e,	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,	1,580	537	20	268	60	805	80
Monroe,	808	274	72	69	00	343	72
Muscatine,	1,413	480	42	413	28	893	70
Polk,	393	133	62	104	85	238	47
Poweshick,	127	43	18	19	70	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.		Total.	
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	5	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	74½	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	08½	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, etc		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	666	69 9	427	59	1,094	28 9
Marshall,	188	50	19.6	76	23	126	42.6
Monroe,	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	98	00	168	48.8
Scott,	2,412	644	00.4	1,357	00	2,001	00.4
Van Buren,	5,115	1,365	70.[illegible]	1,362	45	2,728	15.5
Wapello,	3,627	968	49.9	319	67	1.288	07.9
Warren,	306	81	70.2	82	50	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	1,02*	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,	1,652	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	35	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
Total,	100,083	$50,155	12	$30,840	51	$80,995	63

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
	$420,420	$153,652	68	$115,934	88	$269,587	56

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 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 apportion d 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	1507	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 09	1965 80	229 08	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 delinquent.	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		225	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	66	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	3553	1492 26
Warren,	100	10	400	10	284 75	19 53	428	179 76
Washington,	150	3	150	3	616 15	21 18	2389	1003 38
Wayne,	150	5	100	5	*100		315	132 30
Winneshick,							472	198 24
	$9,753 20	$776 59	$9,454 30	$682 09	$43,967 76	$4,585 47	86,157	$36,185 94
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			
					$36,185 94			

* Estimated.

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 o Children.	Amount apportioned 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
Decatur,	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	230 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	739 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	3,994	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 apport'd 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	$898 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
43	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,	178									
19	Boone,	439	3	118	2	1	20 00	8 00	201		55
12	Buchanan,	526	9	264	3	6	49 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,	1,397	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	Dubuque,	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

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.	Males.	Females.			
14	Fremont,	838	8	217	6	3	114 00	25 00	411		169
7	Guthrie,	254									
2	Hardin,	62	1	18			16 50		39		18
64	Henry,	4,267	54	2,113	44	28	788 81	234 50	3081		1143
16	Iowa,	672	10	322	6	8	104 67	70 00	1008		181
73	Jackson,	3,672	62	1,868	29	49	425 39	286 77	5823	239	1255
22	Jasper,	1,065	13	209	8	7	125 11	48 67	793		146
68	Jefferson,	4,660	88	2,847	57	32	904 16	306 50	6378		1761
56	Johnson,	2,662	33	1,075	25	24	357 66	169 33	2886		538
39	Jones,	2,427	33	835	15	18	284 24	119 78	2397		479
31	Keokuk,	2,488	42	1,353	29	13	429 82	133 67	2695	20	770
99	Lee,	7,070	116	4,174	67	57	1,668 14	422 10	5719		2291
59	Linn,	3,470	47	1,001	27	25	412 66	194 72	3236		596
52	Louisa,	2,550	40	1,451	33	19	635 87	174 61	3262	200	883
9	Lucas,	405	4	104		4		51 17	260		64
24	Madison,	959	11	287	7	4	125 00	37 00	591		211
50	Mahaska,	3,243	45	1,210	28	19	489 50	175 06	2559	50	783
60	Marion,	3,165	47	1,490	30	14	477 83	113 16	3303		832
7	Marshall,	461	3	81	2	1	27 00	15 00	170		56
10	Mills,	467	2	44	1	1	33 00	17 00	65		79
41	Monroe,	1,662	18	419	11	5	132 33	71 76	1175		291
42	Muscatine,	2,714	31	1,377	19	21	367 25	184 33	2111		874
1	Page,	242									

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								
89	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	855
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

B.

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	427 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
Pottawatamie,	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

B—(CONTINUED).

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	Teachers' fund.	Voluntary subscription.		Brick.	Stone.	Frame.	Log.		Erection of school houses.	Contingent expenses.
Wayne,	140 40	100 67								
Webster,										
Winneshiek,	123 70	79 43	122 78			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, aud 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 oi 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 langnage; 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 Hauy 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 useles 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, prefering 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.

[A.]

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, "

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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
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
Total amount,	$4,889 50
For teachers' salaries, rents, repairs, and all other expenses, and disbursements,	
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 exingencies 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 snfficient 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 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

Mr. Birge,
Browning,
Clark of Jackson
Clark, of Marion
Coop,
Conkey,
Connell,
Greenleaf,
Holmes, of Linn,
Holmes of Jones
Hyde,
Mr. Love,
Lucas,
McCulloch,
McAchran,
McCrory,
McCall,
Mechem,
Meek,
Morgan,
Newsom,
Mr. Preston,
Poston,
Russell,
Ramsay,
Smith of Jackson,
Tracy,
Workman,
Witter,
Yeoman,
Mr. President.

The nays were,

Mr. Anderson,
Albright,
Bryan of Warren,
Bryan of Guthrie,
Baldwin,
Barker,
Bigelow,
Bonson,
Boyles,
Brown,
Cleaver,
Coolbaugh,
Coffin,
Corse,
Creel,
Creamer,
Damon,
Dewey of Lee,
Dewey of Fremont
Dorland,
Edie,
Fulton,
Goodfellow,
Mr. Graham,
Hamilton,
Hillis,
Hogan,
Hall,
Hinkle,
Jackson,
Johnson,
Kinert,
Lockwood,
Lyon,
McCrary,
Matthews,
McFarland,
McKay,
Monroe,
Moore,
Noble,
Needham,
Neal,
Neely,
Park,
Pigman,
Mr. Pritchard,
Rogers,
Rosser,
Saunders,
Schramm,
Shields,
Samuels,
Sargent,
Smith of Cedar,
Stephenson,
Test,
Thurston,
Tisdale,
Turner,
Udell,
Vanfossen,
Wilkinson,
Wamsley,
Weatherington,
White,
Williams,
Young.

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,
Birge,
Bryan of Guthrie,
Barker,
Bigelow,
Brown,
Clark of Jackson
Clark of Marion
Cleaver,
Coffin,
Conkey,
Connell,
Dorland,
Edie,
Fulton,
Graham,
Greenleaf,
Hamilton,
Mr. Hogan,
Holmes of Linn
Holmes of Jones
Hyde,
Jackson,
Lockwood,
Lyon,
McCrary,
Matthews,
McAchran,
McCrory,
McFarland,
Mechem,
Monroe,
Morgan,
Noble,
Pigman,
Pritchard,
Mr. Rosser,
Rogers,
Russell,
Ramsay,
Schramm,
Smith of Jackson,
Smith of Cedar
Stephenson,
Turner,
Vanfossen,
Workman,
Wamsley,
White,
Williams,
Witter,
Young,
Mr. President.

The nays were:

Mr. Albright,
Bryan of Warren,
Browning,
Baldwin,
Bonson,
Boyles,
Coolbaugh,
Coop,
Corse,
Creel,
Creamer,
Damon,
Dewey, of Lee,
Mr. Hinkle,
Hall,
Johnson,
Kinert,
Love,
Lucas,
McCulloch,
McCall,
McKay,
Meek,
Moore,
Needham,
Neal,
Mr. Park,
Poston,
Preston,
Saunders,
Shields,
Samuels,
Sargent,
Test,
Thurston,
Tisdale,
Tracy,
Udell,
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.

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 acccordingly.

The President and Members of the Senate, preceeded 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
Bonson,	McCulloch,	Test,
Boyles,	McAchran,	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,	McCrory,	Turner,
Dorland,	McFarland,	Vanfossen,

Mr. Edie,
Fulton,
Graham,
Greenleaf,
Hamilton,
Hillis,
Mr. McKay,
Mechem,
Morgan,
Noble,
Needham,
Mr. Wilkinson,
Wamsley,
White,
Williams,
Young

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,
Baldwin,
Barker,
Bigelow,
Brown,
Cleaver,
Coffin,
Conkey,
Connell,
Creel,
Creamer,
Dorland,
Edie,
Fulton,
Graham,
Greenleaf,
Hamilton,
Hillis,
Mr. Hogan,
Holmes of Linn
Holmes of Jones
Hyde,
Johnson,
Kinert,
Lockwood,
Lyon,
McCrary,
Mathews,
McAchran,
McCrory,
McFarland,
McKay,
Mechem,
Morgan,
Noble,
Needham,
Mr. Park,
Pigman,
Pritchard,
Rogers,
Rosser,
Russell,
Saunders,
Schramm,
Smith of Cedar,
Stephenson,
Turner,
Vanfossen,
Wilkinson,
Wamsley,
White,
Williams,
Young—53.

Those who voted for Edward Johnson were:

Mr. Albright,
Birge,
Bryan of Warren,
Bryan of Guthrie,
Bonson,
Boyles,
Clark of Jackson,
Clark of Marion,
Mr. Hall,
Hinkle,
Jackson,
Love,
Lucas,
McCulloch,
McCall,
Meek,
Mr. Ramsay,
Shields,
Samuels,
Sargent,
Smith of Jackson
Test,
Thurston,
Tisdale,

Mr. Coolbaugh,
Coop,
Corse,
Damon,
Dewey of Lee,
Dewey of Fremont
Goodfellow,
Mr. Monroe,
Moore,
Neal,
Neely,
Newsom,
Preston,
Poston,
Mr. Tracy,
Udell,
Workman,
Weatherington,
Witter,
Yeoman,
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,
Baldwin,
Barker,
Bigelow,
Brown,
Cleaver,
Coffin,
Conkey,
Connell,
Creel,
Creamer,
Dorland,
Edie,
Fulton,
Graham,
Greenleaf,
Hamilton,
Hillis,
Mr. Hogan,
Holmes of Linn
Holmes of Jones
Johnson,
Kinert,
Love,
Lockwood,
Lyon,
McCrary,
Mathews,
McCrory,
McFarland,
McKay,
Mechem,
Morgan,
Noble,
Needham,
Mr. Park,
Pigman,
Pritchard,
Rogers,
Rosser,
Russell,
Saunders,
Schramm,
Smith of Cedar,
Stephenson,
Turner,
Vanfossen,
Wilkinson,
Wamsley,
White,
Williams,
Young—51.

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. McAchran, 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—3.

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,
Barker,
Bigelow,
Cleaver,
Coffin,
Conkey,
Connell,
Creel,
Creamer,
Dorland,
Edie,
Fulton,
Graham,
Hamilton,
Hillis,
Hogan,
Mr. Holmes of Linn
Holmes of Jones,
Kinert,
Lockwood,
Lyon,
McCrary,
Matthews,
McFarland,
McKay,
Mechem,
Morgan,
Noble,
Needham,
Park,
Pigman,
Mr. Pritchard,
Rogers,
Rosser.
Russell,
Saunders,
Schramm,
Smith of Cedar,
Stephenson,
Turner,
Vanfossen,
Wilkinson,
Wamsley,
White,
Williams,
Young—46,

Those who voted for J. M. LOVE, were

Mr. Brown,
Damon,
Dewey of Lee,
Goodfellow,
Hinkle,
Lucas,
McCulloch,
Mr. Meek,
Monroe,
Neal,
Newsom,
Preston,
Poston,
Ramsay,
Mr. Shields,
Test,
Thurston,
Udell,
Workman,
Weatherington,
Yeoman—21.

Those who voted for JARIUS E. NEAL, were

Mr. Bryan, of Warren,
Bryan of Guthrie,
Bonson,
Boyles,
Clark of Marion,
Mr. Dewey, of Fremont
Jackson,
McCall,
Moore,
Neely,
Mr. Samuels,
Smith of Jackson,
Witter—13.

Those who voted for Mr. D. F. SPURR, were

Mr. Albright,
Birge,
Browning,
Mr. Coolbaugh,
Corse,
Hyde,
Mr. McAchran,
Sargent—8.

Those voting for Mr. GREEN, were

Mr. Clark of Jackson,
Love,
Mr. Hall,
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,
Edie,	Morgan,	Wamsley,
Fulton,	Noble,	White,
Graham,	Needham,	Williams,
Hamilton,	Park,	Young—47.
Hillis,	Pigman,	

Those voting for Mr. D. F. SPURR, were

Mr. Albright,	Mr. Hinkle,	Mr. Poston,
Birge,	Hyde,	Ramsay,
Browning,	Johnson,	Shields,
Bryan of Guthrie,	Love,	Samuels,
Boyles,	McCulloch,	Sargent,
Clark of Jackson,	McAchran,	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,	McCrory,	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,	McAchran,	Tisdale,
Coolbaugh,	McCrory,	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.

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,
McCrory,
McCall,
Meek,
Monroe,
Moore,
Neal,
Neely,
Newsom,
Poston,
Shields,
Sargent,
Smith of Jackson
Thurston,
Tisdale,
Tracy,
Udell,
Workman,
Weatherington,
Yeomans,
Mr. President.—46.

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,
Baldwin,
Barker,
Bigelow,
Brown,
Cleaver,
Coffin,
Conkey,
Connell,
Creal,
Creamer,
Dorland,
Edie,
Graham,
Greenleaf,
Hamilton,
Mr. Hillis,
Hogan,
Holmes of Linn
Hyde,
Kinert,
Dockwood,
Lyon,
McCrary,
Mathews,
McAchran,
McCrory,
McCall,
McFarland,
Mechem,
Morgan,
Noble,
Mr. Needham,
Park,
Rogers,
Rosser,
Saunders,
Schramm,
Smith of Cedar,
Stephenson,
Turner,
Vanfossen,
Wilkinson,
Wamsley,
White,
Williams,
Young.

The nays were:

Mr. Albright,
Birge,
Browning,
Bryan of Warren,
Bryan of Guthrie,
Bonson,
Boyles,
Clark of Jackson,
Clark of Marion,
Coolbaugh,
Coop,
Corse,
Damon,
Dewey, of Lee,
Dewey of Fremon
Fulton,
Goodfellow,
Mr. Hall.
Hinkle,
Mr. Holmes of Jones,
Jackson,
Johnson,
Love,
Lucas,
McCulloch,
Mr. McKay,
Meek,
Monroe.
Moore,
Neal,
Neely,
Newsom,
Preston,
Poston,
Mr. Pritchard,
Russell,
Ramsay,
Shields,
Samuels,
Sargent,
Smith of Jackson
Test,
Thurston,
Tisdale,
Tracy,
Udell,
Workman,
Weatherington,
Witter,
Yeoman.
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,	McAchran,	
Damon,	McCrory,	

Those voting for PHILIP B. BRADLEY, were,

Mr. Meek,	Poston,	Smithof 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,

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~~	~~2,392~~
Davis,			5		5,096	4,691			1,745	1,525	8	9,787
Decatur,			1	1	1,586	1,439	1		604	494	35	3,026

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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			2,686	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
Marshall,					845	762			323	298		1,607

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,	368	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	90
"	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	DesMoines 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., ——	"	100	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. M'Kee,	"	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[illegible]	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. Gaylord,	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	0[illegible]
		4889	D. F. Gaylord,	12	8[illegible]
		4890	J. Leaman,	9	6[illegible]
		4891	Wm. White,	12	0[illegible]
		4884	M. Murringer,	28	05
		4887	David Smith,	8	00
		4888	W. H. Seevers,	250	0[illegible]
"	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	4[illegible]
		4936	B. F. Baybrook,	100	0[illegible]

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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. Cleaves,	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
	4977	" 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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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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1853.				
Jan. 24	5031	Mr, Fisher,		132 00
	4985	" McArthur,		108 00
	5009	" Wilson,		106 00
	5025	" Browning,		116 00
	5004	" 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. Seevers,		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	James 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 60
	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 51
	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
	5074	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. Cavenaugh,	33	49 00
	5217	Wm. Pattee, S. S. H.		100 00

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1853.				
April 14	5227	Joseph Williams,		56 00
" 18	5099	C. A. Robbins,		7 00
	5076	W. H. Merritt,		29 00
	4719	James Cavenaugh,		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. Howell,		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. Cavenaugh,		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	5204	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. Leffiingwell,	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 Pattec,		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.				250 00
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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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 Cavenaugh,		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	479 00
	5522	President Blind Asylum,		510 50
" 5	5523	George Greene,		250 00
	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. Cavenaugh,		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. Talbott,		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
	5620	Mahony & Dorr,		317 00
" 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	Pesident 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 90

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.

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
Poweshiek,	1
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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.	6,640 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 li t 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" unapropriated. 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-

tention 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 Assemby.

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 Committe.

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
Total sales, Jan., 15, 1855, 18,650 70-100 acres,			$60,463 15½
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
Total am't cash rec'd to Jan., 15, '55,		$20,363 22	
" bills receivable, "		40,099 93½	$60,463 15½
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

Total sales aveagring $3,34 per acre.

Sold at *Public Sale*, 9,792 83-100 acres, amounting to	$36,475 21½
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
Total amount over and above appraised value,	$4,994 63

*Sales not yet perfected.

Lands remaining unsold January 15, 1855, viz: 14,513 19-100 acres *appraised*, amounting to or an average of $4 07 per acre.	$59,111 30
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,	1,920. "	
Clarke,	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 appraiser,		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 appraiser,		239	00
			577	88
1855.				
January.	" Anson Hart for services as agent of University lands, viz: sale of $58,943 at ¾ 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 Sate at large.

BILLS RECEIVABLE.

Dec. 6, 1852.		
Rec'd notes of I. Kister, (former Treasurer,) - -	$3,246	37½
Received of Anson Hart, Agent, at different dates, - -	36,876	58½
	40,122	96
Notes paid off up to this date, - - - - - -	834	60
	39,288	36
Notes secured by mortgage, - - - - - - -	18,796	98
"Bills Receivable" in the Treasury,	58,085	34

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	Appanoose, 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
" 23	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	G. 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 35

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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 33
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 35½	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. Laffiin,	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.		Payors.	Amount.	Inter'st 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 00	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
		J. D. Putnam and surety,	37 50	1 38
"	19	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.		Payors.	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 30
"	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 M. 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. Saunderson,	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		1878 87
Henry Veiths,	91 02		
C. F. Lovelace,	3 27		
	1556 22		

INTEREST UNPAID AND DUE ON THE FIRST DAY OF JANUARY, 1855.

Names.	Amount	Names.	Amount
G. E. Deforest,	$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. M. L. MORRIS.

January 11, 1855.

(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 ordor 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 acknowleegments 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 aud 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.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Committee met—present, Coolbaugh, Witter and Russell.

Examination of Anson Hart resumed.

Q. Have the Board of Trnstees 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.

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 where 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 Commen 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.,
Ex-Sup. Pub. Inst.

Messrs. Coolbaugh, Saunders, Witter, and Russell, Com.

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,	Tennesse,	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,	Illnois,	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	Attorney,	"	"
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,	Uniterian,	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 subpœnas, 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 remonstances 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 diffierent commitees 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.

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.

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, Pottawatamie.

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, Powsehiek, 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; 19th 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, Sovilla; 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. Sergent, Middletown; 17th District, DesMoines 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, DesMoines 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	

Materials and tools for workshop, and miscellanies,	439,81	
		4,933 17
Total amount of prison indebtedness, Oct. 1st, 1854,		8,403 34
Amount paid by Grigsby, from Feb. 1st, 1853, to Oct. 1st, 1854, as shown by his vouchers,		5,609 85
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,		1,662 50
		1,130 99
Add balance due Warden, as shown by the books and accompanying account,		444 23
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,	275 00	
		1,232 76
Total amount of present indebtedness,		342 46
Add probable cost of finishing workshop, due contractors,		1,500 00
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 tc 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,	260¼	59	41¾	26	387
June,	264¼	20¼	42½	26	353
July,	209¼	16¼	27½	25	276
August,	172¼	35	17¾	27	252
September,	147¼	57¾	17½	27½	250
	1719¾	215¾	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	
		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
		$20,676 46

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
	$7,714 50

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. McCRARY.

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 vitaly 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 aplications of this character, the proceedings are *exparte*, 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 inportant 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 investig.ted. 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.

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
	$1000 00
Amount of contingent fund appropriated for the years 1852-3,	600 00
	$ 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
			570 50
	Discount on the above,		20 50
			$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.

I. 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 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 REGISTER 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 Regster 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
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,

1848. DRAFTS.

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 Chairman,	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 Cassiday & 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 dayment 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, 200 00

(This draft was paid by Col. Patterson and charged to L. Lyon.)

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 paymentfor 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

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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 payment 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 & Cunningham, in part payment, on contract No. 9, as per estimate 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. 133. 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
	$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
	$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

December Meeting.

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	
		90 10
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 platting 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	
		179 05
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	
4 " high office do	4 50	
		10 50
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 Tenney, 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	
			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	
		24 75

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	
		1 37

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 90	
Four letters sent to Keokuk,	50	
		4 35

No. 36. April 4th. Amount paid W. B. Augdeon, for two and ⅔ 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,			30 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	$3½	1 75	
½ " " "	3½	1 75	
½ " French Cap.	4½	2 25	
½ doz. Ink,	3	1 50	
¼ 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. Bnderson, 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	
				199 93
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	
				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	
				42 75
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,	1 50	
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	
			25 15
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	
		21 05

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	
		$6.03

No. 96. Jan. 21. Amount paid Franklin Lodlock for 8¼ 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	
		37.67

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 2 10

Certificate, 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. including detention at Iowa City, 24 25
Paid Palmer & Paul for bandbills 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 3¾ days,	3 66	
" " " 2½ "	2 33	
4 lbs. candles,	60	
	——	14 59

No. 119. April 30. Amount paid R. L. Sullivan, for office expenses, 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	
	——	60 70

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	
I 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,	3 00	
	board up to Aug. 1848, as paid ass't Wells,	23 64	
	board from Aug. 10th to Nov. 10th, 1848.	22 00	
March 7.	Paid John for cutting wood for office,	.75	
" 17.	Wood and candles for office,	35	
" 31.	Cutting wood for office,	50	
April 16.	" " "	50	
" 19.	Cash for candles,	1 00	
	board bill from Jan. 5 to May 1 same as Wells ac't,	49 50	
April 4.	Horse keeping and ferriage,	1 20	
" 5.	Bill at Bonaparte,	25	
" 6.	Bill at Bentonsport,	25	
" 6.	Bill at Bonaparte, dinner and horse feed,	30	
	Bill at Farmington,	50	
	Ferriage at Bonaparte,	20	
	Ferry of horse at Farmington,	15	
	Dinner at Charleston,	25	
" 27.	Expenses,	50	
			106 84

No. 125. Feb. 19. Amount paid D. F. Rudd & Co.,

for ½ ream blank envelope paper,	2 00	
1 dust brush,	75	
1 box,	25	
		3 00

No. 126. May 17. Amount paid Cropper & Windshall, for ½ doz. blank books, at 25c., 1 50

No. 127. May 19. Amount paid P. H. Blake as per bill rendered 1848 for 6 days work of men as axe-men for engineers in November, 6 00

Feb. 8. 4 days do., 4 00

10 00

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 services 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 services 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 repairs 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 Porter'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, 150, 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 corys, 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 Forks 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	
		$180 27

No. 145. Aug. 8. Amount paid H. W. Sample for servies as President for 7th and 8th quarters, 500 00

No. 146. Aug. 10. Amount paid Jas. Thompson, for hauling 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 services 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 60

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, 2½ 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 1¼ and 1⅛ square iron shipped to the location of dams and locks, for bolting down foundations of same, at 4cts per pound,	682 36	
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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 Shutlz & 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	
		443 01
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	
		500 00
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

Total amount of bills and accounts allowed,	$13,648 61
Total amount of drafts issued,	85,578 57
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
	$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
Balance due the State,	1,100 40

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 3½c,	$1 75
"	"	11 lbs Candles, at 19c,	1 40
"	20.	1 bbl Corn Meal,	30
"	21.	22 lbs of Ham at 4c,	88
"	"	15½ lbs Side, at 4c.,	62
"	"	7 lbs Lard, at 5½c.,	38
"	"	80 lbs Lard, at 6c.,	4 80
"	22.	23 lbs Ham, at 4c.,	92
"	28.	1 Basket,	75
			$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, 8¾c.,	4 38
"	"	"	50 lbs Coffee, at 9c.,	4 50
"	"	"	1 Rod ⅜ 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
			Entered on Steward's account book.	$33 68

Board of Public Works,

1847.		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
			$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
			$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
"	I pair Pot Hooks,	50
		3 25
"	To Clasp on Target,	1 50
		$4 75

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1848.	To Wm. G. Beck,	Dr.
To Board of Engineers corps 4 days, and horse keeping,		$10 25

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 72¾ yards Osnaburgs, at 14c.,	$10 18
	10 spools colored thread, at 3c.,	30
	1 ball twine,	15
	5 pieces cheap print, 173¾ 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
		$30 31
1847.	To Samuel Starkweather,	Dr.
Dec. 14th.	To twine and needles,	25
	thread and twine,	73
	1 line,	50
		$1 48
1847.	To Pittsburgh Iron Store,	Dr.
Dec. 16th.	To 64 lbs ¾ rod iron, at 5c.,	$3 20
	1 " ½ rod iron, at 5c.,	5
		$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
		$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

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
		$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 10¼ 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 ⅝ rod iron, 586 lbs., at 4c.,	22 24
67 bars 1¾x½ " " 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 1¼ iron, 6157 lbs., 4c.,	246 28
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
	$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

Cr.

By draft No. 13 on Treasurer,	85 00	
" " " 26 " "	515 00	
" " " 67 " "	120 00	
" " " 105 " "	100 00	
" " " 109 " "	200 00	
" " " 162 " "	250 00	1,270 00
Paid by draft No. 203,		$796 60

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

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 ⅝ in. 1055, 7¾c.,	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., 3¾c.,	41 32
1 wheel, 59½ lbs.,	22 20
2 crane frames, 2 spools, 2 spur wheels, 2 pinions, 4 caps, 880 lbs., 2¾c.,	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 3¾c.,	126 34
1 drop shaft,	5 76
Paid by drafts Nos. 75 and 76,	$317 58

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
	$2,215 60
Deduct 15 per cent.,	332 25
Pay,	$1,883 35

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

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
		$8,133 68
Deduct from payments,	6,079 15	
Deduct 15 per cent.,	1,220 05	
		7,229 20
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 14¾c.,	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 14¾c.,	29 50
	$20,457 28
Deduct former payments,	14,600 66
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
Deduct former estimate,	1,883 35	4,766 20
Deduct 15 per cent.,	714 93	
		2,598 28
Pay,		$2,167 92

Add error grubbing and clearing, left out,	250 00
Add increase on stone in quarry, 50c., perch,	205 00
	455 00
Deduct 15 per cent.,	68 25
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
		7,151 94
Deduct former payments,	4,438 02	
Deduct 15 per cent.,	1,072 79	
		5,510 81
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
4,319 yards of excavation, at 13c.,	561 47
33,934 yards of embankment, at 14¾c.,	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
	10,031 72

Deduct former payment,	6,913 63	
Deduct 15 per cent.,	1,504 75	
		8,418 38
Pay,		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 14¾c.,		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
		14,184 19
Deduct former payments,	8,526 97	
Deduct 15 per cent.,	2,127 61	
		10,654 58
Pay,		$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 14¾c.,		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
		17,177 24
Deduct former payment,	12,056 58	
Deduct 15 per cent.,	2,576 58	
		14,633 16
Pay,		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
Pay,		$260 30

ESTIMATE No. 2, SEPTEMBER 27, 1848.

Grubbing and clearing,		$318 00
2,006 yards embankment, at 9½c.,		190 51
		508 57
Deduct former estimates,	260 30	
Deduct 15 per cent.,	73 27	
		333 57
Pay,		$175 00

ESTIMATE No. 3, NOVEMBER 10, 1848.

Grubbing and clearing,		$375 00
5,338 yards of embankment, at 9½c.,		507 11
		882 11
Deduct former estimate,	435 30	
Deduct 15 per cent.,	132 30	
		567 60
Pay,		$314 51

ESTIMATE No. 4, JANUARY 18, 1849.

Grubbing and clearing,		$380 00
6,883 yards of embankment, at 9½c.,		653 88
188 yards of muck,		16 92
		1,050 31
Deduct former estimate,	749 81	
Deduct 15 per cent.,	157 50	
		907 31
Pay,		$143 49

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
		1,780 85
Deduct former estimate,	893 30	
Deduct 15 per cent.,	267 12	
		1,160 42
Pay,		$620 43

ESTIMATE No. 6, AUGUST 6, 1849.

Grubbing and clearing,		$380 00
1,540 yards muck ditch, at 9½c.,		138 60
16,985 yards embankment, at 10c.,		1,698 50
		2,217 10
Deduct former payment,	1,513 73	
Deduct 15 per cent.,	332 26	
		1,846 29
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
		2,892 88
Deduct former payments,	1,884 54	
Deduct 15 per cent.,	433 93	
		2,318 47
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
		3,891 37
Deduct former estimate,	2,458 95	
Deduct 15 per cent.,	583 70	
		3,042 65
Pay,		$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
		5,850 66
Deduct former payments,	$3,307 67	
" 15 per cent.,	877 60	
		4,185 27
Pay,		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
	6,254 64
Deduct former payments,	5,160 26
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
	64 40
Deduct 15 per cent.,	9 60
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
		297 00
Deduct former estimate,	54 80	
" 15 per cent.,	44 45	
		99 35
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
		470 00
Deduct former estimate,	252 45	
" 15 per cent.,	70 50	
		322 95
Pay,		$147 05

ESTIMATE No. 4, NOVEMBER 5, 1849.

3,000 feet lumber for foundation,		$120 00
350 perch of stone, delivered,		409 50
		527 50
Deduct former estimate,	399 50	
" 15 per cent.,	78 00	
		477 50
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. MCGININIS, *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
	1,061 80
Deduct 15 per cent.,	159 65
Pay,	$910 15

ESTIMATE NO. 2, SEPTEMBER 27, 1848.

Grubbing and clearing,	$500 00
6,669 yards excavation, at 14c.,	877 66
	1,061 80
Deduct 15 per cent.	151 65
Pay,	260 96

ESTIMATE NO. 3, NOVEMBER 10, 1848.

Grubbing and clearing,		$696 00
11,552 yards embankment, 13c.,		1,501 76
		$2,197 76
Deduct former estimate,	1,171 11	
" 15 per cent.,	329 55	
		1,500 66
Pay,		$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
		4,574 45
Deduct former estimates,	1,865 21	
" 15 per cent,	686 00	
		2,554 21
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
		5,211 55
Deduct former estimates,	3,888 45	
" 15 per cent.,	781 73	
		4,670 18
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 85
192 " one mile below work on Mo. side,		124 80
2,332 " protection stone at quarry, at 30c.,		699 60
		5,888 66
Deduct former payments,	4,429 82	
" 15 per cent.	883 30	
		5,313 12
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
11,000 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 & Barck's, at $1 20,	2,536 80
190 yards embarkment, 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
		$13,975 74
Deduct former payments,	$6,856 69	
Deduct 15 per cent,	2,096 36	
		8,955 05
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
		$19,285 03
Deduct former payment,	11,879 38	
" 15c., cent,	2,892 75	
		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
45,063 " " 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
	19,913 07
Deduct former payments,	16,392 28
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
	265 34
Deduct 15 per cent,	39 75
Pay,	225 59

Estimate No. 6, April 2, 1849.

4,226 yards excavation, at 9½c.,	401 47
Grubbing and clearing,	100 00
	501 47
Deduct 15 per cent,	75 15
Pay,	426 32
450 yards excavation, at 10c.,	45 00
Grubbing anp clearing added,	100 00
	145 00
Deduct 15 per cent,	21 75
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
		977 34
Deduct former payment,	549 57	
" 15 per cent,	146 60	
		996 17
Pay,		281 17

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
		1,724 40
Deduct former payment,	830 74	
" 15 per cent,	258 66	
		1,089 40
Pay,		635 00

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 3¾c.,		416 68
		3,081 17
Deduct former payment,	1465 74	
" 15 per cent,	462 18	
		1,927 92
Pay,		1,153 25

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 3¾c.,		416 68
1,144 perches protection stone for aqueduct, at 62½c.,		720 00
15,000 B M delivered, at 1 50.,		225 00
		6978 03
Deduct former payment,	2,618 99	
" 15 per cent,	1,046 70	
		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 M D 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 3¾c.,		466 80
1,144 perches protection stone, at $1,30,		1,487 20
360 " stone for aqueduct, at 2⅛c.,		765 00
15,000 feet, B. M., foundation plank, at $15,		225 00
		7,251 95
Deduct former payment,	5,931 33	
" trimming and lopping brush from 3 to 7	20 62	
		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
		398 90
Deduct 15 per cent,		58 00
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
		1,100 24
Deduct former estimate,	340 90	
" 15 per cent.,	165 00	
		505 90
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,	935 24	
15 per cent	340 50	
		1,276 04
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
		2,662 90
Deduct former payments,	1,932 18	
" 15 per cent.,	399 30	
		2,331 48
Pay,		$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
		3,504 19
Deduct former payments,	2,263 49	
" 15 per cent.,	525 62	
		2,789 11
Pay,		$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
		5,035 14
Deduct former payment,	2,978 57	
" 15 per cent.,	755 27	
		3,783 74
Pay,		$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
		6,712 36
Deduct former payment,	4,279 87	
" 15 per cent.,	1,006 86	
		5,286 72
Pay,		$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
		$9,011 30
Deduct former payments,	5,705 51	
" 15 per cent.,	1,351 69	
		7,057 20
Pay,		$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, 12¾c.,	7,329 84
	9,079 94
Deduct former payments,	7,659 61
Pay,	$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
		619 20
Deduct 15 per cent.,		92 80
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
		959 24
Deduct former payment,	526 40	
" 15 per cent.,	143 88	
		670 28
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
		2,062 35
Deduct former payments,	815 36	
" 15 per cent.,	309 35	
		1,124 71
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
		3,722 10
Deduct former payments,	1,753 00	
" 15 per cent.,	558 31	
		2,311 31
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
		4,734 10
Deduct former payments,	3,163,79	
" 15 per cent.,	710 11	
		3,873 90
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
	4,958 36
Deduct former payments,	4,023 99
Pay,	$934 37

Section No. 8. (1 mile of canal at Little Yellow Banks.)

BRIGHAM & 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 28¾,	23 21
	1,707 21
Deduct 15 per cent.,	256 00
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 28¾,		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
		2,755 47
Deduct from estimate,	1,451 21	
" 15 per cent.,	413 05	
		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 11½c.,		1,940 57
2,759 perches protection stone, at 95c.,		2,621 05
		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 1½c.,		75 00
		7,023 65
Deduct former estimate,	2,342 22	
Deduct 15 per cent.,	1,053 45	
		3,395 67
Pay,		$3,627 98

ESTIMATE No. 4, JANUARY 18, 1849.

Grubbing and clearing,	$1,300 00
Canal.	
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

3,257 perches protection, delivered,		257 00
250 " " at quarry, at 40c.,		100 00
Lock.		
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
		11,251 41
Deduct former payments,	$4,511 99	
Deduct 15 per cent.,	1,687 65	
Deduct first payment, omitted,	1,451 21	
		7,650 88
		3,600 56
Add gullying and clearing lock pit,		75 00
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
		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
		16,921 33
Deduct former payments,	$9,645 76	
Deduct 15 per cent.,	2,538 19	
		12,183 95
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
	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
	19,260 62

Deduct former payments,	$14,383 14	
Deduct 15 per cent.,	2,889 09	
		17,272 23
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

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 43
818 " " muck ditches, at 11½c.,	89 98
44056 " embankment,	5,947 56
36709 " " 15c.,	5,506 35
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	
		$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 " " " not 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 29
Deduct former payments,	$26,796 16	
" 15 per centum,	5,923 39	
		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

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,	2,010 00

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 ⅞ done,	700 00
15,052 yards excavation, 8½c.,	1,279 43
	$1,979 42

Deduct former payment,	636 68	
" 15 per cent.,	296 85	
		933 53
Pay,		$1,045 89

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
		3,101 71
Deduct former payment,	1,682 57	
" 15 per cent.,	465 15	
		2,147 72
Pay,		$953 99

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
		7,528 90
Deduct former payments,	2,636 56	
" 15 per cent.,	829 33	
		3,465 89
Pay,		$2,63 01

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
Deduct former payments,	4,699 57	
" 15 per cent.,	932 00	
		5,631 57
Pay,		$581 73

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
		7,106 70
Deduct former payments,	5,281 30	
" 15 per cent.,	1,065 93	
		6,347 25
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
		357 04
Deduct 15 per cent.,		54 00
Pay,		303 04

ESTIMATE No. 2, AUGUST 24th, 1848.

3,333 yards excavation, at 8c.,		266 64
Grubbing and clearing,		250 00
		516 64
Deduct former estimate,	303 04	
" 15 per cent.,	92 49	
		395 51
Pay,		$221 13

ESTIMATE No. 3, SEPT. 27th, 1848.

12,699 yards excavation, at 9c,	1,142 91
Grubbing and clearing,	350 00
	1,492 91

Deduct former estimate,	524 17	
" 15 per cent.,	171 30	
		695 47
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
		2,992 17
Deduct former payment.	1,391 61	
" 15 per cent.,	439 80	
		1,740 41
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
		3,696 00
Deduct former payments,	2,492 37	
" 15 per cent.,	554 40	
		3,046 77
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
		5,052 05
Deduct former payments,	3,141 60	
" 15 per cent.,	757 80	
		3,899 40
Pay,		$1,152 65

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
		6,112 60
Deduct former estimates,	4,294 25	
" 15 per cent.,	916 89	
		5,211 14
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
		7,257 70
Deduct former estimates,	5,195 71	
" 15 per cent.,	1,084 15	
		6,279 86
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
		7,785 00
Deduct former payments,	6,143 55	
" 15 per cent.,	1,197 75	
		7,311 30
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
	7,355 54

Deduct former payments,		6,617 25
		738 29
Add for work on pile boat,		450 00
Pay,		$1,188 29

Section No. 11, (L. TURNER *Contrctor,*) 1 *mile Canal and Guard Lock.*

ESTIMATE No. 1, SEPTEMBER 27, 1848.

Grubbing between station Nos. 6 and 18,		$300 00
Deduct 15 per cent.,		45 00
Pay.		$255 00

ESTIMATE No. 2, NOVEMBER 10, 1848.

Grubbing and clearing		$800 00
2,800 yards excavation, at 9c.,		252 00
		1,052 00
Deduct former estimate,	255 00	
" 15 per cent.,	157 00	
		412 00
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
		1,881 34
Deduct former payments,	895 00	
" 15 per cent.,	282 15	
		1,177 15
Pay,		$704 19

ESTIMATE No. 4, APRIL 5, 1849.

Grubbing and clearing		$950 00
150 perch of stone, delivered, at $1 80,		270 00

2,894 feet of foundation timber, at 8c.,		231 52
118 " sill timber,		11 80
11,404 yards excavation, at 9c.,		1,026 36
		2,489 68
Deduct former payments,	$1,599 19	
" 15 per cent.,	373 35	
		1,972 54
Pay,		$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
		3,666 29
Deduct former estimate,	2,116 33	
" 15 per cent.,	549 96	
		2,666 29
Pay,		$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
		4,948 31
Deduct former payments,	$3,116 33	
" 15 per cent.,	742 24	
		3,858 57
Pay,		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
		6,053 22
Deduct former payments,	4,206 07	
" 15 per centum,	907 98	
		5,114 05
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
Deduct former payments,	5,145 24	6,327 39
" 15 per cent.,	949 11	
		6,094 35
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

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
		7,654 16
Deduct former estimate,	5,378 28	
" 15 per cent.,	1,148 12	
		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 50
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
	8,150 00
Deduct former payments,	6,506 04
Pay,	$1,643 96

Section No. 12—Barnett & 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
Pay,	$628 80

ESTIMATE No. 2, APRIL 5, 1849.

200 perch, 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
			2060 04
Deduct former estimate,	622 80		
" 15 per cent.,	309 00		
			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
			3,967 74
Deduct former payments,	1,741 04		
" 15 per cent.,	595 16		
			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
			5,215 89
Deduct former payments,	3,372 58		
" 15 per cent.,	782 38		
			4,154 96
Pay,			$1,060 93

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 14¾c.,		208 56
		$8,003 35
Deduct former payments,	4,433 51	
" 15 per cent,	1,200 50	
		5,634 00
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 14¾c.,		293 96
		10,282 54
Deduct former payments,	6,802 85	
" 15 per cent.	1,542 40	
		8,345 25
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
		14,445 07
Deduct former payments,	9,520 97	
" 15 per cent.,	2,166 76	
		11,687 73
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
		19,092 02
Deduct former payments,		12,278 31
Pay,		$6,813 71

WM. PATTEE *Contractor for Piling.*

ESTIMATE No. 1, (FINAL.)

5,423 feet piling,	203 36

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
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
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
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	
		416 50
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
		900 50
Deduct former estimate,	340 00	
" 15 per cent.,	135 00	
		568 50
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
		1,185 50
Deduct former payments,	765 50	
" 15 per cent.,	177 75	
		943 25
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
836 " " square timber, on works, 3c.,		25 08
5,000 " " round timber, at works, at 2c.,		100 00
		3,403 53
Deduct former payments,	2,097 36	
" 15 per cent.,	510 52	
		2,607 88
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
		4,375 43
Deduct former payments,	2,893 01	
" 15 per cent.,	656 31	
		3,549 32
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
	4,485 13
Deduct former payments,	3,719 12
	$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
	$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
	3,429 38
Deduct former estimate,	1,567 37
	$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
	3,981 08
Deduct former payment,	3,429 38
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
	$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
		828 36
Deduct former estimate,	240 00	
" 15 per cent.,	124 20	
		364 20
Pay,		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
		3,276 60
Deduct former payment,	714 16	
" 15 per cent.,	491 40	
		1,195 56
Pay,		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
		4,633 50
Deduct former estimate,	2,785 20	
" 15 per cent.,	694 95	
		3,480 15
Pay,		1,153 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 sqare 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
		6,095 00
Deduct former payment,	3,938 57	
" 15 per cent.,	914 25	
		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

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
		7,058	00
Deduct former payment,	5,180 75		
" 15 per cent,	1,058 70		
		6,239	45
Pay,		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
		8,125	40
Deduct former payment,	5,999 30		
" 15c., cent,	1,218 81		
		7,218	11
Pay,		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
		9,950	70

Deduct former payments,	6,906 59	
Deduct 15 per cent.,	1,492 60	
		8,399 19
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 2½ 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
		11,210 40
Deduct former payment,	8,458 10	
" 15 per cent.,	1,681 56	
		10,139 66
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, 2½ miles, at 1 50,	30 00
32,110 lineal feet square timber delivered at 7c.,	2,247 70
243 " " " " miter sills,	24 40
18,433 " " 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
		13,440	25
Deduct former payment,	9,528 84		
" 15 per cent.,	2,016 14		
		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
		21,518	75
Deduct former payments,	11,424 21		
" 15 per cent.,	3,287 21		
		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 " ruple 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
			21,863 25
Deduct former payments,	18.290 94		
" 15 per cent.,	3,279 48		
			21,570 42
Pay,			$292 83

Estimate No. 13, Oct. 10, 1851.

24,753 lineal feet square timber, delivered at 7c.,		1,732 71
2,919 " " " " ½ mile from work, at 6½c.,		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 2¼c.,		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
		27,443 69
Deduct former estimates,	18,583 77	
" 15 per cent.,	4,116 55	
		22,700 32
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 ½ 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
		30,920 00
Deduct former estimates,	23,327 14	
" 15 per cent.,	4,638 15	
		27,965 29
Pay,		$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.,	[illegible]
2,124 lineal feet square timber in lower pier, at 12c.,	
800 " " " " lock foundation, at 12c.,	
1,276 " " " " delivered and framed, at 10c.,	[illegible]
30,000 lineal feet hewed, " " at 8c..	2,40[illegible]
24,388 " " b. m., plank, delivered, $1,25,	304 8[illegible]
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 breakers, 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
		36,171 68
Deduct former estimate,	26,282 84	
Deduct 15 per cent.,	5,425 75	
		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
2,269 " " " " 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

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
		37,247 31
Deduct former estimate,	30,745 93	
Deduct 15 per cent.,	5,587 09	
		36,333 02
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 " " " ½ mile below work, at 40c.,	60 00
50 " backing, " " " " 70c.,	35 00
	864 60
Deduct 15 per cent.,	129 69
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 ½ mile below work, at 40c.,	117 20
168	" backing " " " 80c.,	134 40
100	" filling ½ mile east of work, at 40c.,	40 00
70	" backing and filling ⅓ mile above work, at 50c.,	35 00
		1,686 40
	Deduct former payments,	734 91
	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
		2,268 00
	Deduct former payments,	1,686 40
	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 ½ mile below work, at 80c.,	134 40
		3,450 20
	Pay,	1,182 20

This estimate, paid by certificate No, 14, cancelled by paying, April 1st, 1851,	521 70
And 8 per cent certificate, July 1st, 1851, for	660 50
	$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 ½ mile below work, at 1 dollar and 50c.	252 00
293	"	crib filling, ½ 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
			5,360 20
		Deduct former payments,	3,450 20
		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 ½ mile below work, at 90c.,	151 20
293	"	crib filling, at 50c.,	146 50
1,380	"	" 1 mile above work, at 45c.,	621 00
			7,016 95
		Deduct former payments,	5,362 20
		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, ½ mile below work, at 90c.,	151 20
293	"	crib filling, " " " at 50c.,	146 50
2,000	"	" ½ mile above work, at 45c.,	900 00
			7,467 60
		Deduct former payments,	7,016 95
		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, ½ 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
			8,788 10
		Deduct former payments,	7,467 20
		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
			681 40
		Deduct 15 per cent,	102 00
		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
			4066 70
		Deduct former estimate, 579 40	
		" 15 per cent., 610 00	
			1,189 40
		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
1133	" stone masonry in wall, at $3 20,	3,627 74
		6,216 44
	Deduct former estimate,	3,456 70
	Pay,	2,759 74
	Add on stone masonry, 25 cents per foot,	283 85
	" 50c. on masonry, as per order of Board,	566 83
		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
	$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
	7,845 24
Deduct former payments,	7,066 52
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 masory 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
			10,663 52
		Deduct former payments,	7,845 24
		Pay,	$2,818 28

Certificate No 12, given.

ESTIMATE No. 6, JULY 20, 1850.

2,131	perches	of masonry in lock walls,	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
				16,002 24
		Deduct former payments,		10,663 82
		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
			21,610 44
	Deduct former payments,		16,002 24
	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
				22,279 75
	Deduct former payments,			21,610 44
	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
		23,484 18
	Deduct former estimates,	22,279 75
	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
	$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
	24,126 50
Deduct former estimates,	23,484 18
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
	27,613 75
Deduct former estimate,	24,126 50
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
	28,677 12
Deduct former estimate,	27,613 75
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
	451 60
Deduct 15 per cent.,	67 74
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
		2,573 62
Deduct former payment,	383 86	
Deduct 15 per cent.,	386 04	
		769 90
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	" " " " ½ mile above work at 4½c.,	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
		3,871 37
	Deduct former estimates,	2,187 58
	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	" " " " ½ mile above work, at 4½c.,	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
		4,923 33
	Deduct former payment,	3,871 37
	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	" " " " ½ mile above works, at 4½c.,	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 " " " ¼ 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
	6,558 23
Deduct former estimates,	4,923 33
Pay,	$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 " " " " ½ mile off, at 4½c.,	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 " " " ½ 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
	10,477 15
Deduct former payments,	6,558 23
Pay,	$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
	$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 ¼ 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
	18,917 60
Deduct former payments,	10,477 15
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
5½ days work on mitre sill,	8 25
For removing coffer dam to lay dam foundation,	25 00
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
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
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
500 " 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
	21,949 84
Deduct former payments,	18,917 60
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	" " " ½ 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
		23,339 84
	Deduct former payments,	21,949 84
	Pay,	$1,390 00

Estimated amount carried away by the floods,	3,146 02
17,000 feet plank not in work, at 1 dollar and 25c.,	212 00

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 ¼ 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
	24,902 06
Deduct former estimates,	23,339 84
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
681 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
	27,438 45
Deduct former payments,	24,902 06
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
	31,307 73
Deduct former payments,	27,438 45
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

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
	34,397 07
Deduct former estimate,	31,307 73
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
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
	35,174 47
Deduct former estimate,	34,397 07
Pay,	777 90

Section No. 19, *Dam and Lock, at Keosuqua*—BONNEY & WHITTLESEY *Contractors.*

ESTIMATE No. 1, OCT. 1, 1852.

2,000 perches crib filling delivered, at 60c.,	1,200 00
8,000 " lock stone " at 1,80,	1,440 00
	2,640 00
Add 20 per cent.,	528 00
	3,168 00
Deduct 10 per cent.,	316 80
Pay,	2,851 20

ESTIMATE No. 2, DEC. 1, 1852.

Preparing part of foundation for lock,	500 00
398 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
	4,202 00
Add 20 per cent.,	840 00
	5,042 00
Deduct former estimate,	2,851 20
	2,190 80
Deduct 10 per cent.,	504 20
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

436 bbls cement, delivered, at $2 50,		1,090 00
		11,662 00
Add 20 per cent.,		2,332 40
		13,994 40
Deduct former estimate,	4,537 80	
" 10 per cent.,	1,399 44	
		5,937 24
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 3½c.,	181 54
Deduct 15 per cent.,	27 23
	154 51

DECEMBER 27, 1849—Samuel Dunn.

5047 feet pile timber delivered, at 3½c.,	176 64

No. 2—Same.

6533 lineal feet delivered on Section 8, at 3¾c.,	244 98
For extra hauling on canal bank,	1 00
	245 98

Butler & 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 ½c.,	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
	1,084 93

Work estimated on preparing pit for lock by Barnett & Co., returned by Mr. Jacobs,		34 00

J. Z. Barnett & Co.

146 days work on lock pit, at $1 00,		146 00
14¾ 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
5¾ " 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
		2,133 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 & Co.

418 days work laborers, making coffer dam and excavating pit, at 1 dollar,	418 00
29¾ 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
Pay,	$543 62

Brigham & 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
Pay,	$251 25

T. Lyon & 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
Pay,	535 21

Brigham & Mayger, Sec. 8.

55 days labor re-hauling protection stone,	85 00

Smith, Morrison & Co.

2,500 perches stone re-handled, at 17c.	255 00
Deduct 166 lineal feet timber sold belonging to State,	100 00
Pay,	$155 00

LEWIS TURNER.

20¾ days work cutting and trimming piles. at 1 dollar,	20 75
9½ " 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
Pay,	$65 55

State Work on same Continued.

23½ 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 12½,	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
	$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
Pay,	$1,227 30

1849, WALKER & CO.

96¾ days labor on lock, at 1 00,	96 75
13 days superintendence, at 2 00,	26 00
	$122 75

J, Z. BURNETT & 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
Pay,	$35 50

ESTIMATE No. 4, NOVEMBER 20, 1850—Walker & Co.

Hauling cement,	$84 10
135¾ 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
33½ " 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
	$807 13

ESTIMATE No. 5—Walker & 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
		$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
		$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
	187 75

Preparing foundation for lower pier.

30 days work by common laborers, $1 25,	37 50
12½ " " " T. S. Walker, superintendent,	18 75
	$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
	$121 50

Hauling 37 barrels of cement from Keokuk,	27 75
Making 44 bills	8 80
Use of tools and sharpening drills,	15 00
	51 55

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
	$747 47

60 gallons whiskey furnished men while working in water,	15 00
Hauling cement and pumping,	10 00
	747 47

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
14¼ " 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
	733 29

ESTIMATE No. 4, Nov. 10.

118¼ days work on lock pit, at 90c.,	106 42
1¼ " " " " 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
	212 63
Deduct 18 days work, at 90c.,	16 20
	196 33
Add 165 days work preparing foundation,	165 00
Pay,	361 33

Estimate No. 5, William Meek & 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
	28 47

Estimate No. 6, Sept. 1. 1848.

For removing old saw and carding mill from mouth of Lock,	200 00

Estimate No. 7, Wm. Meek & 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
35¼ 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
Pay,	232 54

Estimate No. 8 Wm. Meek & 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
	174 57

State Work, Continued.

SEPT. 15, ESTIMATE No. 6, H. WALKER & 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
	$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 & Maygee, 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 paymet 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	
		7 25

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 $17 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	
		61 15

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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 & Lightner.	
2 bevel wheels, 168½ lbs., at 4c.,	6 27
Pile driver, 1442 lbs., at 4c.,	57 68
Pattern of do.,	17 00
Lifter, 40½lbs., at 10c.,	4 05
Boring out two wheels,	2 50
Fitting in key,	2 00
1 key,	25
	90 15
Cr. by old wheel, 84¾,	63
Sept. 13. Cash in full of Mr. Bell,	$89 52
Of Laty, McCune & 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,	25
	52 83
Cr. By old wheels, 626 lbs., at ¾c.,	3 95
	48 88
Drayage on same,	25
	49 13

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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	
	36 37	
Recapitulation.		
Kingsland & Leighton's bill,	90 15	
Latty & McCune's bill,	49 13	
Bill casting,	36 37	
	175 65	
Deduct amount advanced by Sample for cash, as per draft No. 11,	50 00	
		$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 21st, 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 & Cunningham, 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, *to wit:*

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
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	
				130 03
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	
				52 62
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	
				2 55
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	
				17 07

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Oct. 24. To Willson:

For 43 lbs of 1¼ inch rope, at 15c.,		6 90

Nov. 13. J. A Coke:

For services putting horses on and off the pile boat, when when anchored iu the river, on two occasions,		1 00

Nov. 13. To Bell & 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 making 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	
		9 45

Nov. 13. To Lewis Turner:

For 70 lbs. of iron, for collar bands for pile boat, at 6c per lb.		4 38

Nov. 17. To Thomas McCoy:

reparing sheers and welding bands, for pile boat,	75	
mending collars for pile boat,	1 25	
one new shoe on State horse and reparing of buggy,	50	
		2 50

Sept. 5th. To Thomas L. Bugh, for repairing buggy and shoeing two horses belonging to the State,		1 95

Nov. 12th. To Spencer Grenell:

For halter and breast-strap for State horse,	1 25	
Keeping State horse up to Oct. 8th, 1 5-7 weeks, at $1 15 per week,	1 97	
To keeping State horse for pile boat, 3 weeks, from 4th Sept. and Oct.,	3 45	
To keeping same horse 2 weeks, up to Nov. 7, at 125,	2 50	
		9 17

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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	
		6 00

Nov. 14. To T. E. Redding:

For keeping and feeding one horse 4⅞ weeks, at 1 25,	5 71	
To keeping and feeding one horse from Oct. 16 to 18, '49,	36	
		6 07

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 2½,	40 00	
" " H. R. Kean, carpenter, 6 days, 1½,	9 00	
" " F. A. Clark, laborer, 15 " 1 00,	15 00	
" " Hiram Bell, " 17½ " 1 00,	17 50	
" " William Cole, teamster, 13½ days, 75,	10 12	
" " J. K. Kean, carpenter, 5¾ days, at 1 25,	7 18¾	
" " F. W. Smith, laborer, 1 day,	1 00	
" " J. Z. Burnett & Co., furnish hands, 5 days, at 1 00,	5 00	
		104 81

Dec. 4. To Bell & 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	
1½ lbs. black lead for use of boat, 20c.,	30	
1 oil can,	20	
		9 50

Nov. 7. To E. C. Hyde:

" 15. For 8 lbs. nails,	50	
" 24. " " "	50	
1 curry-comb, 10c.; 1 halter, 25,	35	
		1 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. ¾ round iron, at 5c.,	25	
			7 35

Dec. 28. To Bell & Cassiday:

For 14 days' work on pile boat, from Sept. 3d to date, at 2 50,	36 25	
For 19½ days' work for boat, which includes 2 trips to St. Louis for castings, at $2 per day,	39 20	
		75 25

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 estlmate, 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 payment 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	
		11 53

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 contract, 205 69

No. 67. Issued Jan. 25th, in favor of Samuel R. Curtis, in full payment of his contingent expenses as per bill, rendered 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	
		67 42

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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	
			25 25
Dec. 17, 1849.	To amount paid John McCune & Co.—principal on certificate No. 5,	$734 91	
	Interest on same,	12 25	
			747 16
	Certificate No. 8,		52 84
Jan. 4, 1850,	Brown & Sanford, endorsements,	400 00	
" 17, "	" " "	3 50	
			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 Mc Quillan, 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	
	½ lb. sealing wax,	50	
	1 box paints,	35	
	Tissue paper,	1 50	
			13 88

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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 & Maygee, 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 Farmington, 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. rIvine, 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	
			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 Enginers,			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 transporting 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 Enginers,		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: 87 60

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Nov. 20.	To amonnt 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	
1850.			
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	
		143 40	
Cr.			
March 21.	By 310 lbs manilla line, at 15c., 41 85		
May 13.	By draft No. 107, of Col. Patterson, 87 60		
		129 45	
Balance due and paid,			13 95

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, *to wit*: from Feb. 22 to May 14, 1850, 266 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, "	5¾ "	"	62,	3 60
Amount of pay roll				$286 35
Cleghorn & Harrison's bill,				8 73
J. C. Bruce's bill, (groceries,)				5 45
Wm. 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	
		$416 68	
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 60

Nov. 22, 1849. To Handcock & 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

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

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

To Samuel Wright, for blacksmithing,

Dec. 26.	Setting 4 shoes,	65	
Jan. 10.	2 new shoes,	75	
25.	Setting 2 shoes,	35	
	Piecing band,	37	
Feb. 17.	Mending buggy,	1 50	
March 8.	New brace and cross bar for do.	1 00	
	2 hold-backs in shafts,	30	
March 29.	Shoeing horse,	1 50	
	Mending tape,	25	
April 2.	" 3 bands for piles,	1 50	
" 24.	" 3 "	1 25	
May 13.	4 new bands,	4 00	
		——	13 42

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 5.	Hauling cement,	3 00	
		——	16 20
			91 22

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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. ¾ inch rope, at 16⅔,	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. ½ ream paper, bought of Cox & Shelly,	2 00	
June 12. Telegraphing to Cooktown, 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 6¼ 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 engineer, 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. ½ set lock steps, at 4¼c.,	$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	
		69 58

Oct. 19. Amount paid Brown & Sanford on certificate No. 10—principal and interest, 713 85

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,	6½ days at $1 00,	6 50
Elijah Holmes,	" " "	6 50
John Greathouse,	" " "	6 50
James McGaven,	" " "	6 50
N. Henington,	11½ " "	11 50
Wm. Hessenflower,	8½ " "	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

1850.

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 & Tizzand 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 ½ day, 81c.,	50	
	Carrying tools and instruments for Jacobs, ½ day,	50	

1850.

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 8¼ 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

1850.

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 Dee. 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 bdls ½ inch square, 445 lbs., 7½c.,	33 38	
			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		
	10,097 at 4¼c.	429 12	
To drilling and riveting latches,		6 00	
			435 12

1850.

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

1851.

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	
	$166 62	
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	
	19 00	
Amount paid G. Ervine, Esq., for 50 feet 1½ inch cordage bought at Cleghorn & Harrison's as per bill rendered, 32 lbs., at 18c.,	5 76	
Amount paid H. Bunce, June 3d, for ½ bbl. flour,	3 75	
Coffee,	50	
Tea,	75	
42 lbs. bacon, at 6c.,	2 52	
1 bottle pepper sauce,	26	
	7 77	
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't, 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

1851.

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	
		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

1851.

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		
		307	05

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		
		18	50

1851.

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	
		11 50

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	
		99 50

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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.	" Baker & 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

1851.

Amount paid Brown & Sanford, on certificate No. 22. Feb. 13, 1851,	50 00
Amount paid Brown & Sanford, on certificate No. 22, February 14, 1851,	450 00
Amount paid Brown & Sanford, on certificate No. 22, February 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 & McGavic, 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 & Harrison, 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, President of the Board of Public Works, by George Gillaspie, 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 59
" " 7, " Sept. 4, "	7,257 85
" " 8, " Nov. 6, "	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

1851.

* Balance due Wm. Patterson, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven dollars and ninty-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 Treasurerof 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 Antwert'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
		$950 00

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.

1851.

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	
		4,924 17
Dec. 22. Received on two Drafts same as those last above described,	1,000 00	
Discount and Interest off,	13 50	
		987 50
Dec. 22. Received on two other drafts, same as those above described,	1,000 00	
Discount and Interest off,	13 50	
		987 50
Dec. 23. Received on one same as above described, cash,		500 00

1852.

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	
		9,870 00
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

1853.

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,	$104,316	85¼

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

1851.

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

1851.

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. Juue 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. McQuillan, 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 acount 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 Pitt-burg, 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 estimateNo. 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

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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 disbursments 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	
	856 83	
Deduct former payments	600 00	
		256 83

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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, 8⅓ months, at $60 per month, 500 00

To Wm. C. Mitchell,	5½	days, at	$1 00	per day,	5 50
John Greathouse,	2¼	"	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

290 00

283 75

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	
	Total.	778 05	
	Cr.		
August 25, 1851.	By cash, as per receipt $250 00		
Nov. 30.	" " " " " 100 00		
		350 00	
			428 05

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	
			99 00

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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

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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 *vs.* 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 20
"	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	
"	½ dozen holders,	15	
"	500 envelopes,	1 00	
			24 65

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		
		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	
			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 30c.,	60	
July 22. Extra storage on 50 bbls., at 10c,	5 00	
" " Draying and shipping per Caleb Cope,	1 00	
		18 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 Pitsburgh 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.,	14 92

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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	
		753 00

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 17¾ 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	
	$4,910 48	

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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, 155¾ lbs. ⅞ square iron, at 6c.,	9 35	
" 27, " 33 " ⅞ " " 6c.,	1 98	
" 27, " 96 " ⅞ " " 6½c.,	6 24	
" 29, " 109 " ¾ " " 7c.,	7 63	
" 30, " 87 " ⅝ " " 7½c.,	6 52	
" 30, " 58 " 1½ " " 6c.,	3 77	
Oct. 3, " 94 " ½ " " 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 common stove for engineers office at Farmington,	8 00	
		36 00

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, Pittsburgh, for 15,283 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, 10 00

Correct to my own knowledge,

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 &McGavic, 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. Narch 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.	Wm. 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	
							55 06

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. 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	
		7,332 00

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 *vs.* 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 Keokuk, 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 Cassiday & 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	
			638 75

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. 11¼ 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 $\frac{5}{8}$ 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	
	——	55 67

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

7⅓ 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 " ⅜ " "	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 " 1¾ round "	104 "	6c.,	6 24	
3 " 1¾ sligo iron,	309 "	6½c.,	20 09	
3 " ⅝ " "	171 "	6c.,	10 26	
1 " 1 square cast steel,	4¼ "	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 1¾ and ½, bar iron,	30 "	5c.,	1 50	
3 " 1¾ 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. Dofflemen, 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
		Total,	1182 12
		Cr. by cash,	1060 00
		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 aud 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	
	105 03	
Deduct extra arms,	50 00	
		55 03

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	
			90 00

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 & McGavic, 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. 20. 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 bend- 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	
		91 35	
	Cr. by 41 lbs. iron, at 4½c.,	1 84	
		89 51	
	Cr. by cash,	60 00	60 00
	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, *to wit:*

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	"	86	"	3 00
					89 95

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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	
			102 45	
For board as per receipt,			8 50	
				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 herein 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 1¼ inch square bolts, at 8c.,	38 64	
" 534 " " " " "	42 72	
" 190 " " " " "	15 20	
" 30 ¾ " " " at 5c.,	1 50	
540 ⅝ and ¾ in. " " "	27 00	
" 221 1 inch " " "	11 05	
" 23 " " " "	1 15	
" 52 ¾ " " " "	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, 1852, 250 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	
	413 83	
Paid,	313 82	
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 holders 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	
		34 20

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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. ½ inch square iron, at 5¾c.,		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 c ntract, 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. Wollcott, to be applied on protested drafts,	100 00	
To A. Bridgman, to be applied on protested drafts,	100 00	
		1,700 00

No. 206. Dec. 10. Belden & Wilden, on account for hauling and piling timber, carried away in the flood, 100 00

1853.

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	
		11 10

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

1853.

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 Brook, 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, 1823, 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 & McGavic 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

1853.

No. 221. Feb. 20. Amount paid T. J. Cave,

Sept 17, 1852.	For hire of buggy and horses for use of Commissioners 3 days, at $3 per day,				9 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	
						76 00

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 service 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 Improvement, 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	
		1,500 00

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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		
					816 54	683 46

No. 224. March 4. Amount paid on protested drafts of Register on Bangs, Brother & Co., of Dec. 20, 1851, endorsed 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	
		300 00

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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. Colton, 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. & Cy., 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
		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	
		450 00
		109 00

1853.

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	
	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 Improvement,		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 rendered 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	

1853.

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	
		905 00	
	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:

1850.

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	
			10 45

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 00

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	
	18 20	
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. 244. May 28. 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	
	525 00	
Interest to April 8th, 1852,	8 98	
	533 98	
Then paid,	166 00	
Due,	376 98	
Interest to Aug. 20, 1852,	10 61	
	378 59	
Then paid,	84 00	
	294 59	
Interest to Dec. 10th, 1852,	7 19	
	301 78	
Then paid,	50 00	
	251 78	
Interest to 19th May, 1853,	8 77	
	260 65	
Then paid,	150 00	
	110 65	
Interest to May 28, 1853,	22	
	110 87	
Protest,	1 50	
Due May 28th, 1853,	112 37	
The above calculation is applicable to draft No. 5,	112 37	
Total amount on both drafts,		224 74

1853.

No. 245. Feb. 10, 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	
		15 00

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 account 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	
	332 92	
Amount paid on account,	100 00	
	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
May 28. Amount paid postage on official letters and documents sent and received by me as Commissioner, &c., between March 3d, 1852, and this date,		7 93
May 28. Amount paid traveling expenses actually and necessarily incurred as Commissioner, including trip to St. Louis in Oct. 1852, not heretofore charged, to negotiate 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

1853.

Amount paid salary, as Commissioner, at the rate of $1,000 per annum, since March 2, 1852, to this date, being one year, five months and 26 days,		1,486 11
Total amount of disbursement,		$104,316 85¼

Account of the incidental expenses paid by George Gillaspie, Register, to whom paid, when paid, and an explanation of the accounts and purposes of such payment, so far as we have been able to ascertain 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	
		6 15
Oct. 27. Cash paid for 2 lbs. candles,	60	
One gross matches,	40	
Sundries,	1 00	
		2 00
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 61

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,		22 15
1850.			
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,		32 00
1850.			
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 duplicates, 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

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		
		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) Comissioner 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		
		1	25

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 townhship 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 00
May 2.	" " G. B. Sargent, Surveyor General, for town plats, as per bill on file,	17 50
" 15.	Cash paid R. H. Warden, postage on letters, etc.,	3 80
" 24.	" " " " P. M.,	2 80
"	" " " Warden & Leighton for pencils,	25

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
		1,164 93
	Should be added,	61 75
	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	30 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	590 00			
41	500 00			
42	175 00			
43	25 00			
44	200 00			

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No.	Amount.	Principal 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.[1]

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		
		Add to principal,	374 44
	3,000 00		
	374 44	Int. to Aug. 17, 125 days	92 23
Add Interest,	92 23		
	3,466 67		
P'd Aug, 17, as pr rec't,	500 00		
	2,966 67	Int. to Dec. 6, 111 days,	73 16
Add Interest,	73 16		
	3,039 83		
P'd Dec. 6, as pr rec't,	500 00	Int. to Feb. 3, 61 days,	34 43
	2,539 83		
Add Interest,	34 43		
	2,574 26		
P'd Feb. 5, as pr rec't,	500 00	Int. to May 9, 93 days,	42 87
	2,074 26		
	42 87		
For this amount,	2,117 13		
there has been issued, Feb. 5th, '53, a draft payable 90 days after date.			
P'd Mar, 4, as pr rec't,	1,500 00		
	617 13	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	
		9,870 00

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 83	$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

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.			
$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, ownes 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
253,472 43-100	for		$317,642 52

* The lands entered by Jesse Williams referred to, I should estimate at not less than five dollars per acre.—A. HESARD.

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 09
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 09
March "	5712 93	"	7,141 17
April, "	5,582 14	"	6,977 63
May, "	6,875 51	"	8,594 39
June and July, 1849,	25,895 26	"	32,369 08
" " "	40 00	1 30	52 00
Total acres,	89,669 09		$112,178 38

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
89,669 9-100			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 38
Paid on drafts and other accounts as per vouchers,	99,227 18	
Paid over to G. Gillespie, his successor in office,	8,200 03	

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	
		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	"	"	7,087 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	"	"	3,658 65
" "	"	280 00	"	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 30
" " "	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	
		$213,000 12

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	
		$213,000 12

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 Desmoines 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 bot le 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
				$9,314	83

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.

CENSUS OF THE FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Names of the members of the Senate of Iowa.	Residence.	Place of Nativity.	Age.	Occupation.	Religious Faith or Denominations.	Married or Single.
M. L. Fisher, Pres't,	Farmersb'g, Clayt'n co.,	Vermont,	47	Farmer,	Baptist,	Married.
John G. Shields,	Dubuque,	Kentucky,	41	Merchant,		Single.
Geo. W. Lucas,	Sidney, Fremont co.,	Ohio,	47	Farmer,	Methodist,	Married.
Elisha F. Clark,	Maquoketa,	Massachus'tts	50	Physician,	Unitarian,	Single.
J. M. Love,	Keokuk,	Virginia,	34	Lawyer,		"
Wm. A. Thurston,	Fort Madison,	Rhode Island,	40	Manufacturer,	Episcopal,	Married.
E. S. McCulloch,	Primrose, Lee co.,	Tennesee,	43	Farmer,	Presbyterian,	"
J. M. Preston,	Marion,	New York,	40	Lawyer,	Baptist,	"
Nathan Udell,	Unionville,	Pennsylvania,	37	Physician,		"
A. C. Fulton,	Davenport,	Pennsylvania,	41	Speculator (land),	Quaker,	"
S. G. McAchran,	Bloomfield,	Kentucky,	36	Attorney,	Universalist,	"
W. J. Coolbaugh,	Burlington,	Pennsylvania,	33	Merchant,	Presbyterian, o s.,	"
Jefferson D. Hillis,	Knoxville,	Kentucky,	45	Merch'nt and Phys'n,	Methodist,	"
Julius J. Matthews,	Lyons, Clinton co.,	Ohio,	29	Physician,	Baptist,	Single.
J. L. Hogan,	Sigourney, Keokuk co.,	Delaware,	53	Farmer,		Married.
A. H. McCrary,	Van Buren co.,	Indiana,	40	Farmer,	Christian,	"
George Schram,	Farmingt'n, V. Buren co.	Germany,	38	Merchant,	Lutheran,	"
G. W. Wilkinson,	Muscatine,	Virginia,	44	Bricklayer.	Methodist,	"
M. D. Browning,	Burlington,	Kentucky,	42	Attorney at law	Ironside Baptist,	"
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Jno. R. Needham,	Oskaloosa,	Ohio.	30	Editor,	Methodist,	"
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John Park,	Jefferson co.,	Pennsylvania	53	Farmer,	Presbyterian,	Married.

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J. C. Ramsay,	Wapello co.,	Pennsylvania	37	Merchant,		Married.
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Joseph Birge,	Jackson co.,	Connecticut,	49	Farmer,	Episcopal,	"
James C. Jordan,	Polk co.,	Virginia,	42	Farmer,	Methodist,	"
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