

fully detailed in the report of the Secretary of the Treasury, to this Board, dated the twenty-seventh of November, 1860, and in the proceedings of the officers of the Treasury, thenceforward, to which annex herewith transmitted and printed to be received as part of this report.

JOHN E. HOWARD,

President of the Senate, pro tempore.  
November 24th, 1860.

The Secretary of the Treasury respectfully reports to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund.

That no purchase of the Debt of the United States have been made since the date of the last report to Congress of the 11th day of December, 1799; and that the funds of the Capital Stock, heretofore purchased and transferred, prior to the present year, in trust for the United States, the interest whereon is appropriated by law towards the redemption of the public debt, amount to four millions, seven hundred and thirty-two thousand, two hundred and ninety dollars and fifty cents, as will more particularly appear from documents heretofore annexed, marked A.

That the following sums have been applied towards the discharge of the principal debt of the United States since the date of the last report to Congress of the 11th of December, 1799.

1. To the 3th installment of the six per cent. Stock, bearing a present interest, which pursuant to the act, entitled "An act making further provision for the support of public credit and for the redemption of the public debt" passed on the 3d day of March, 1793, and the act in addition thereto passed on the 28th day of April, 1796, became payable on the 1st day of January, 1800, the sum of

716,894 30

2. To the payment of the first installment of a loan of five million of Guilders obtained in Holland, and which fell due the present year, pursuant to a contract dated 1st of June, 1787, estimated at forty cents per Guilder.

200,000

3. To the payment of the third installment of a loan of one million of Guilders obtained in Holland, and which fell due the present year, pursuant to a contract dated 1st of June, 1787, estimated at forty cents per Guilder.

80,000

4. To the payment of the second installment of a loan of one million of Guilders obtained in Holland, and which fell due in the present year, pursuant to a contract dated the 13th of March, 1788, estimated at forty cents per Guilder.

80,000

5. To the payment of the first installment of a loan of three millions of Guilders obtained in Holland, and which fell due in the present year, pursuant to a contract dated 1st of January, 1790, estimated at forty cents per Guilder.

240,000

Amounting in the whole to

1,316,894 30

The payments here enumerated have been made out of the following funds:

1. The interest fund, or the sum which accrued upon the stock purchased and transferred to the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, in trust for the United States, as particularly specified in the document heretofore annexed, marked B.

522,323 11

2. The fund arising from the payment of debts which originated prior to the present Constitution of the United States as particularly stated in the document marked C.

2,943 30

3. The fund arising from dividends on the capital stock belonging to the United States, in the bank of the United States, from the first of July, 1798, to 30th of June, 1799, after deducting the interest on the subscription loan for the same period, as particularly stated in the document heretofore annexed, marked D.

29,400

of the act of March 3d, 1793, entitled, "An act making further provision for the support of public credit, and for the redemption of the public debt," being the report which in the reference to the objects mentioned in this Report. 752,587 30.

Dolls. 1,316,894 30.

Making in the whole an equal amount to the reimbursements before mentioned.

There remained in the hands of the Treasurer of the United States, as agent of the Board of Commissioners, the sum of fifty days of the present month, one hundred and sixty nine thousand and eighty seven dollars and four cents, which with the growing produce of other appropriated funds, will be sufficient for the reimbursement, at the close of the present year, of the sixth installment of the six per cent. Stock, bearing a present interest, and the fifth installment of the subscription loan for the bank of the United States, which reimbursements are required to be made by the 11th of October of the act of Congress, passed on the 3d of March, 1793, herein before mentioned.

All which is respectfully submitted by

OLIVER WOLCOTT,

Document A is an enumeration of the different descriptions of stock redeemed, viz. 1,841,607 dolls. 00 cents of 6 per Cent—614,826 Dolls. 47 cents of 8 per Cent—966,376 Dolls. 04 Cents. Deferred 239,000 of 5 per Cent—1,440 Dolls. of 5 1/2 per Cent.

It also contains a specification of the various sources of revenue, which make up the total fund redeemed. Document B. C. & D. are not given, as the contents of each are exhibited in the preceding report which is sufficient detail to satisfy the mind of the reader.

TUESDAY, December 2, 1860.

Mr. MACON, from the committee of claims, reported that the demand of Philip Willon was barred by the act of limitations, for that finding in his case no reason for suspending the act; they recommended that the prayer of the Petitioner ought not to be granted. The report was agreed to by the House.

Mr. CALDWELL stated that during the fall session a committee was appointed to enquire into the state of the trade, authorized by law with the Indian Nations. That committee had reported unfavourably with deliberation. But of course of maturing such deliberations, they had reported a bill for continuing the existing system for one year. The bill had passed the House of Representatives unanimously, but had been postponed by the Senate to this session.

or his own part he was altogether unfavourable to the trade; for he believed that it answered no good purpose in relation to the Indians, and was a loss to the United States. It was, however, proper that some legislative provision should be made immediately. The said law, regulating the collection who had the superintendance of the trade had expired, and they were, of consequence, under no legal restraint.

He, therefore, moved the appointment of a committee to enquire into the expediency of carrying on the trade, or of a capital furnished by the United States, to report by bill or otherwise, which motion being read a second time, was agreed to, and a committee of three appointed.

Mr. OYSTER obtained the leave of the House for the reference of the letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, he was of opinion that it might be necessary to give particular instructions to the committee to regulate their business in the contemplated investigation. But no farther resolution he thought it would be best to leave the committee at large to make the investigation in such way as they, in the progress of their enquiries, should consider most satisfactory. On this subject he might, conceivably, require different modes of procedure from any now agreed upon. Such was the opinion of the committee, who had directed him to move an instruction to the committee to examine into the state of the Treasury, the mode of conducting business therein, the expenditure of the public money, and to report full and satisfactory undoubted of the state of the Treasury, since the appointment of the Secretary. Agreed to.

GENERAL LEE, from the committee appointed for that purpose, reported a bill for erecting a MANUFACTORY TO DESTROY

WASHINGTON, which was read twice and referred to a Committee of the whole to-morrow.

The bill directs that the manufactory shall be of marble, to be erected, in the City of Washington, under the superintendance of the four Secretaries.

WEDNESDAY, December 3.

Mr. GREGG moved that the petition of Oliver Bullock, with the documents accompanying the same, and the report made thereon last session, be referred to a committee of the whole. On the objection of Mr. Griswold, a reference was made to the committee of claims.

The letter of the Secretary of the Treasury, inviting an investigation of his official conduct has been referred to Messrs. Nicholas, Griswold, Nicholson, Wall, Stone and Craik.

The congratulatory letter from the inhabitants of the district of Columbia has been referred to Messrs. L. G. Thomas, Evans and Craik.

The Senate have authorized their doorkeeper to employ one assistant and two hours duty of the night and twenty days afterwards for which an allowance is made of twenty eight dollars weekly.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT.

S. R.

I deem it proper through you to inform the House of Representatives, that I have obtained the permission of the President of the United States, to resign the office of Secretary of the Treasury, at the close of the present year.

I indulge a hope, that I may without presumption declare, that the different offices with which I have been entrusted since the establishment of this Department, have been executed according to my best skill and judgment, with a conscientious regard to the rights of the public and of individuals, and under an impressive sense of responsibility to the government. In conformity with these professions, I now freely submit the whole of my conduct to any investigation which the House of Representatives may be pleased to institute.

I cannot omit this only opportunity which may ever be afforded, of expressing the sincere sentiments of gratitude, for the many proofs of confidence and indulgence which I have experienced in the course of my official communications with the Legislature; at the same time I request, that if liberty I have now taken to invite their attention to a matter of personal concern, should be deemed in any degree unjustifiable, the error may be attributed to a just and reasonable desire, that my conduct may on proper evidence, appear to have deserved their approbation.

I have the honour to be, With perfect esteem and deference, Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

(Signed)

OLIVER WOLCOTT.

Esq. Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 30.

Yesterday came before the Supreme Court of this State, Chief Justice Shippen, the trial of Daniel V. Penno. This was a civil action to recover damages for a libel. The defendant did not appear, nor was any counsel engaged in his defence. The trial however proceeded, and this morning the jury returned a verdict of ten dollars and five cents damages for the plaintiff. We understand, that in consequence of an error in omitting to fill up the blanks in the declaration, a rule of law will interfere, by which the damages will be reduced to one thousand dollars.

THE NATIONAL INTELLIGENCER. This day published the 10th of December. First Paper printed in WASHINGTON and from the vicinity of the Editor to the Capital, the feat of the public bodies, he expects to be enabled to furnish the essential and most correct notices of their deliberations. The trials of national affairs is deeply interesting, whether contemplated in relation to our internal or external situation. Fully impressed with the sacred duties of the press in such times, and feeling how much good or mischief may be effected by the virtuous or vicious application of the power with which public opinion has invested it, truth and trust only, shall be the guide of the Editor.

In many instances he will doubtless be deceived. But in all instances a conscientious effort will be made by a candid announcement of it.

The design of the National Intelligencer is to diffuse correct information through the whole extent of the union. From the whole extent, therefore, of the union, it must derive the patronage that shall sustain it, and every friend to its plan is invited to promote it, by making known its nature and character to his fellow citizens in his neighborhood.

For this sole purpose, and not in unworthy spirit of filiality, it is intended to forward a few of the early numbers to citizens of respectability in the several States, who are requested to use their good offices, if they consider the Paper worthy encouragement.

Oct. 31st. 1860.

JOHN MINCHIN,  
BOOT MAKER

FROM PHILADELPHIA.

RESPECTFULLY acquaints his FRIENDS, and the public, that he has removed his SHOP & MANUFACTORY from near the Eastern Branch, to New Jersey Avenue, on the Hill, near the Capitol, where he makes Gentlemen's Boots, Brogue Shoes and unders. Shoes on the shortest notice, in the most manner, and of the best materials.  
December 2d. 1860.

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22th November, 1860.

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A BRICK HOUSE & LOT near the United States Hotel, the terms of payment as follows, one half cash, the balance in 6 and 9 months, the purchaser giving notes with approved indorsements.

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A number of Lots unimproved; one lot adjoining the above, 47 feet front, 120 back, 1 one lot on the contrary, near Mr. Joseph K. K. building, 25 feet front by 120 back, one fourth of the square in Thomas Bell's addition to George Town, on an elegant estate, it being part of that square improved by Mr. William Smith, also, 4 lots in addition, it being at the diagonal corner from the place of residence of Joseph Smith, 40 feet front by 120 back, one lot on square 164, fronting North K. Street 65 feet 4 inches by 80 feet 10 inches on Broad Street Avenue, containing 1400 square feet, well sprung of excellent water running through fall line.

All the above property will be disposed of on the most reasonable terms, and indisputable titles will be given to the purchaser money being paid.

JONATHAN JACKSON,

November 12, 1860.

FORT DOLLARS REWARD.

FOR apprehending and securing any GOLD, or any other valuable articles, or any person who has been named NANCY, ran away some time in the month of October, aged Thirty years, about five feet high, light complexion, wears his hair curled, a well fit trunkey fellow. I have cause to believe he is the Franky Croy of Wash. County, a man of a desperate life. He is now in his power to change them. I will give TWENTY DOLLARS if he comes home, and FIFTY DOLLARS if he is killed, and the above reward if a greater discovery is made.  
ZACHARIAH SOTHORNSON,  
Charles County over Beadell, October 31.