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ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE VARIOUS

PUBLIC OFFICERS AND INSTITUTIONS

FOR THE YEARS

1871-72.



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1872.

STATE OF MAINE.

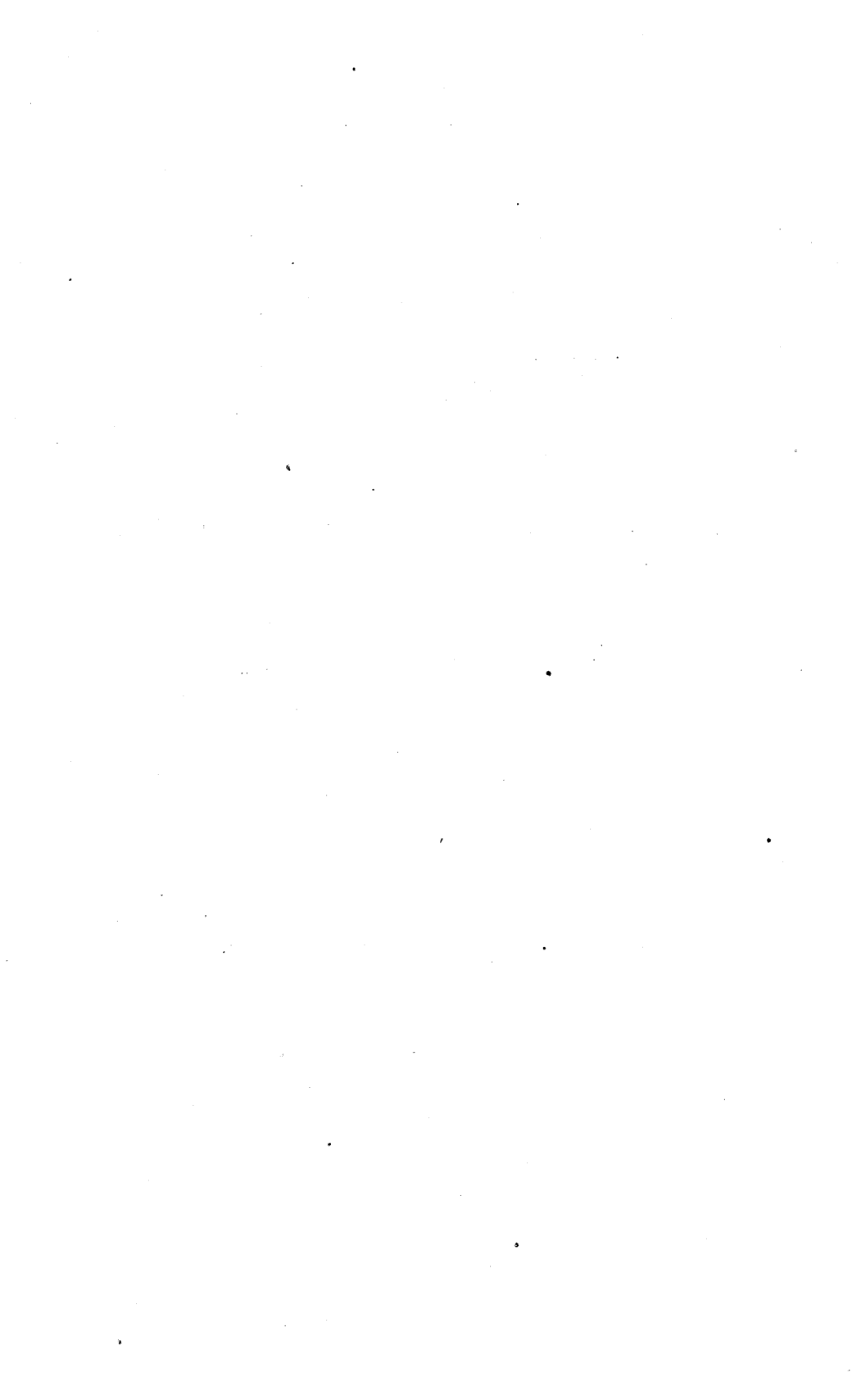
TREASURER'S REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

DECEMBER 30, 1871.

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REPORT.

STATE OF MAINE.

TREASURER'S OFFICE, }
Augusta, December 30, 1871. }

*To the President of the Senate and
Speaker of the House of Representatives :*

The law provides that the Treasurer shall annually, on the first Monday after the meeting of the Legislature, lay before the two houses thereof a printed detailed account of the state of the treasury, and in accordance therewith I have the honor to present a printed detailed account of the transactions of this department for the year ending December 30, 1871.

RECEIPTS.

Whole amount received during the year 1871.....	\$2,190,109 61
Cash in the Treasury January 1, 1871.....	118,248 11
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	\$2,308,357 72

EXPENDITURES.

Whole amount of payments for the year 1871.....	\$2,115,911 21
Cash in the Treasury December 30, 1871.....	192,446 51
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	\$2,308,357 72

DR. STATE OF MAINE *in account with* WILLIAM CALDWELL, *Treasurer.*

To am't paid public debt.....	\$834,000 00
“ Interest on public debt.....	479,579 50
“ Municipal war debt bonds.....	49,058 34
“ Soldiers' pensions.....	24,877 80
“ Childrens' home in Bangor.....	2,000 00
“ Bath naval and military asylum.....	3,000 00
“ Aid to orphans of soldiers and seamen,	6,000 00
“ Bounties refunded to towns.....	9,630 00
“ Military purposes.....	6,855 71
“ Military pensions.....	1,957 63
“ State arsenal at Bangor, (Resolve 1870)	237 14
“ Aid to families.....	2,904 80
“ Allotment fund.....	304 90
“ Interest on allotment fund.....	123 85
“ Insane state paupers.....	32,048 83
“ Support of paupers in unincorporated	
“ places.....	2,410 56
“ Insane hospital.....	18,271 69
“ Trustees insane hospital.....	1,007 00
“ State prison.....	10,000 00
“ Inspectors State prison.....	400 00
“ Contingent fund warden state prison..	300 00
“ Expenses of school, and purchase of	
“ books for state prison.....	100 00
“ Costs in criminal prosecutions.....	605 50
“ Commissioners on jail system.....	1,103 70
“ Commissioners on paper credits.....	696 01
“ Arresting fugitives from justice.....	847 89
“ Reform school.....	17,375 00
“ Sanford legacy.....	42 00
“ Deaf, dumb and blind.....	14,266 00
“ Penobscot Indians.....	8,159 63
“ Passamaquoddy Indians.....	3,780 00
“ Sheriffs and coroners.....	867 21
“ Maine general hospital.....	10,000 00
“ Commission to promote immigration	
“ and settlement of public land.....	12,050 02
“ P. P. Burleigh, land agent.....	12,124 74
“ College of agriculture and mechanic	
“ arts.....	6,000 00
“ Agricultural societies.....	5,406 81
“ Board of agriculture.....	1,275 08
“ Fish Commissioner and wardens.....	1,695 65
“ County supervisors of schools.....	16,618 22
“ Teachers' institutes.....	3,937 98
“ Normal schools.....	10,972 11
“ Clerk of superintendent of common	
“ schools.....	1,200 00

DR. STATE OF MAINE *in account with* WILLIAM CALDWELL, (*Con.*)

To am't paid expenses superintendent of common schools.....	\$713 52
“ Hebron academy	60 00
“ Houlton academy	120 00
“ Presque Isle academy.....	180 00
“ Maine state year book.....	480 00
“ East Maine conference seminary	900 00
“ Maine central institute.....	600 00
“ Schools in Madawaska.....	1,000 00
“ Interest on Madawaska school fund ..	600 00
“ School funds.....	24,573 14
“ Sinking fund 1865.....	170,395 58
“ Sinking fund 1868.....	87,513 17
“ State library.....	1,000 00
“ Printing.....	29,547 99
“ Stationery.....	7,382 60
“ Advertising laws.....	2,485 43
“ Publishing revised statutes.....	6,596 32
“ Reports of judicial decisions.....	5,822 34
“ Binding and stitching.....	6,061 92
“ Postage.....	1,652 37
“ Indices.....	150 00
“ Preparing and binding acts and resolves	150 00
“ Council journal.....	150 00
“ Pay roll of council.....	4,232 00
“ Pay roll of senate	7,464 00
“ Pay roll of house of representatives... ..	27,999 00
“ Contingent fund governor and council,	5,134 97
“ Warming state house by steam	6,995 61
“ Fuel and lights.....	3,750 00
“ Furniture and repair of public buildings	3,866 63
“ Night watch.....	2,000 05
“ Transporting documents.....	1,240 57
“ Salaries	50,593 75
“ Expenses justices supreme court and	
attorney general.....	4,329 62
“ Clerks in secretary of state's office... ..	3,867 00
“ Clerks in adjutant general's office	2,627 50
“ Clerks in state treasurer's office.....	2,620 00
“ Clerks in land agent's office.....	1,000 00
“ County taxes collected in 1870.....	6,120 36
“ Bounty on animals.....	1,390 00
“ Roll of accounts	27 00
“ European and North American railway	
company	362 41
“ Purchase of coin	2,964 63
“ Contingent fund of treasurer.....	600 00
“ Interest on lands reserved for public	
uses	1,457 52

DR. STATE OF MAINE *in account with* WILLIAM CALDWELL, (Con.)

To am't paid	forfeited lands.....	\$578 00
"	Miscellaneous items.....	3,089 96
"	Roads and bridges in Byron.....	2,000 00
"	Roads across Indian township.....	500 00
"	Repair of military road.....	400 00
"	Town of Phillips.....	1,500 00
"	Road through letter F.....	600 00
"	Rebuilding bridge in Princeton.....	500 00
"	Duty on commissions.....	5 00
"	Granger turnpike fund.....	2,066 25
"	Sprague, Owen & Nash.....	707 50
"	Aroostook county tax.....	9 07
"	Somerset county tax.....	6 05
"	State tax 1869.....	78 52
"	State tax 1870.....	263 56
"	Chaplain state prison.....	250 00
"	Bank and insurance examiner.....	489 00
"	Cash.....	192,446 51
		\$2,308,357 72

CR. STATE OF MAINE *in account with* WILLIAM CALDWELL, TREASURER.

By am't rec'd of the State of Maine.....	\$118,248 11
" Licenses granted hawkers and pedlers.....	1,519 50
" Municipal war debt bonds.....	48,200 00
" Miscellaneous items.....	245 00
" Premium on coin sold.....	76 51
" Duty on commissions.....	2,280 00
" State tax, 1864.....	128 98
" " 1865.....	247 54
" " 1866.....	174 43
" " 1867.....	525 85
" " 1868.....	501 84
" " 1869.....	38,384 87
" " 1870.....	1,144,740 83
" " 1871.....	117,412 97
" County taxes, Hancock county.....	286 54
" " Washington county.....	772 32
" " Oxford county.....	16 09
" " Somerset county.....	762 63
" " Penobscot county.....	762 41
" " Piscataquis county.....	1,239 67
" " Franklin county.....	249 98
" " Aroostook county.....	2,832 38
" Insurance commissioner.....	1,178 97

CR. STATE OF MAINE *in account with* WILLIAM CALDWELL, (Con.)

By am't rec'd Public administrator	\$704 49
“ Deficiency account of B. D. Peck....	3,078 91
“ Sinking fund of 1865.....	794,000 00
“ Military purposes.....	902 49
“ Lands reserved for public uses.....	987 88
“ Redemption of lands sold for taxes...	402 93
“ Forfeited lands	54 03
“ United States.....	4,501 34
“ Penobscot Indian leases.....	3,915 00
“ Permanent school fund.....	16,115 06
“ Interest.....	495 40
“ Granger turnpike fund.	2,066 25
“ Commission to investigate paper credits	2 50
“ Contingent fund of treasurer.....	187 77
“ Furniture and repairs.....	156 25
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	\$2,308,357 72

Estimated Receipts for the Year 1872.

Cash on hand January 1, 1872	\$192,446 51
Balance due on State taxes, to and including 1870..	49,364 34
Balance due on State tax 1871	1,008,438 39
Land office.....	10,000 00
County taxes	6,000 00
Duty on commissions	2,500 00
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	\$1,268,749 24

Estimated Expenditures for the Year 1872.

Public debt	\$40,000 00
Interest on public debt.....	433,674 00
Sinking fund of 1865.....	45,713 68
Sinking fund of 1868.....	72,896 41
Salaries of public officers.....	53,000 00
Pay roll of council.....	4,500 00
Pay roll of senate	7,500 00
Pay roll of house of representatives.....	39,000 00
Soldiers' pensions	30,000 00
Aid to orphans of soldiers and seamen.....	6,000 00
Soldiers' allotments and interest.....	600 00
Soldiers' bounty scrip and interest.....	1,600 00
Refunding bounties to towns, retained in 1870.....	1,709 77

Estimated Expenditures for the Year 1872, (Continued.)

Balance due towns for aid to families	\$263 15
Balance due on school funds	26,312 94
Balance due on rolls of account	502 42
Clerks in secretary of state's office	3,500 00
Clerks in adjutant general's office	2,500 00
Clerk in land office	1,000 00
Clerks in treasurer's office	2,800 00
Clerk in office of superintendent of common schools.	1,200 00
Stationery	5,000 00
Postage	2,000 00
Printing and advertising laws	30,000 00
Contingent fund of governor and council	7,500 00
Binding and stitching	5,000 00
Binding and stitching, deficiency for 1871	520 70
Fuel and lights	3,500 00
Furniture and repairs of public building	4,500 00
Library	500 00
Night watch	2,000 00
Bank and insurance examiner	600 00
Transportation of documents	1,000 00
Sanford legacy	42 00
Reports of judicial decisions	2,400 00
Insane state paupers	34,000 00
Trustees insane hospital	1,000 00
Support of paupers in unincorporated places	3,000 00
Inspectors state prison	200 00
Contingent fund of treasurer	600 00
Reform school	13,000 00
Arresting fugitives from justice	1,000 00
Costs in criminal prosecutions	1,000 00
Deaf, dumb and blind	15,000 00
Penobscot Indians	7,500 00
Passamaquoddy Indians	3,500 00
Houlton academy, (Resolve 1864)	120 00
Presque Isle academy, (Resolve 1864)	180 00
Hebron academy, (Resolve 1868)	60 00
Foxcroft academy, (resolve 1868)	60 00
East Maine conference seminary, (Resolve 1867)	600 00
Maine central institute, (Resolve 1870)	600 00
Interest on Madawaska school fund	300 00
Normal schools	10,000 00
County supervisors of schools	16,000 00
Teachers' institutes	4,000 00
Expenses of superintendent common schools	500 00
Town of Blanchard, (Resolve 1862)	40 00
Expenses justices supreme court and attorney general	5,400 00
Contingent fund warden state prison	300 00
Fish commissioners and wardens	2,000 00

Estimated Expenditures for the Year 1872, (Continued.)

Agricultural societies.....	\$5,700 00
Board of agriculture.....	1,500 00
Secretary of board of agriculture.....	400 00
Interest on lands reserved for public uses.....	2,000 00
Lands reserved for public uses.....	1,500 00
Forfeited lands.....	800 00
Indices.....	150 00
Sheriffs and coroners.....	500 00
Bounty on animals.....	1,500 00
County taxes collected in 1871.....	6,921 75
Military pensions.....	2,000 00
Military purposes.....	7,600 00
Maine general hospital.....	10,000 00
Municipal war debts, fractional part of one hundred dollars.....	658 33
Normal school at Castine.....	15,000 00
Insane hospital.....	12,500 00
Interest due and uncalled for.....	26,886 00
Warrants drawn and unpaid.....	10,264 61
	\$1,064,675 76

Resources of the State.

Cash in the treasury January 1, 1872.....		\$192,446 51
Balance due on State taxes.....		1,057,802 73
Sinking funds.....		798,295 15
SECURITIES IN THE LAND OFFICE.		
Bills receivable.....	\$5,851 50	
School fund.....	1,285 94	
		7,137 44
		\$2,055,681 83

Liabilities of the State of Maine, January 1, 1872.

PUBLIC DEBT.		
Due in 1872.....	\$40,000 00	
“ 1873.....	50,000 00	
“ 1874.....	50,000 00	
“ 1875.....	30,000 00	
“ 1876.....	60,000 00	
“ 1877.....	51,000 00	
“ 1878.....	30,000 00	
“ 1880, bounty loan.....	475,000 00	
“ 1883, war loan.....	525,000 00	
“ 1889, war loan.....	2,832,500 00	
“ 1889, municipal war debt loan.....	3,084,400 00	
		\$7,227,900 00

Liabilities of the State of Maine, January 1, 1872, (Continued.)

TRUST FUNDS HELD BY THE STATE.		
Sinking fund, 1865.....	\$611,265 00	
Sinking fund 1868.....	187,030 15	
Permanent school fund.....	312,975 08	
Lands reserved for public uses.....	125,738 29	
Agricultural college fund.....	118,394 47	
Bates college fund.....	10,000 00	
Foxcroft academy fund, (1868.).....	1,000 00	
Presque Isle academy fund, (1864.)..	3,000 00	
School district No. 2, town of Madison,	1,000 00	
Hebron academy fund, (1868.).....	1,000 00	
Houlton academy fund, (1864.).....	2,000 00	
Madawaska territory fund.....	5,000 00	
Penobscot Indian fund.....	67,742 32	
Passamaquoddy Indian fund.....	25,613 71	
Sanford legacy.....	1,300 00	
Union mutual life insurance company,	100,000 00	
Soldiers' allotments.....	530 99	
		\$1,573,590 01
Balance due on school funds.....	26,312 94	
Balance due on soldiers' bounty scrip,	1,500 00	
Balance due for aid to families.....	263 15	
Balance due on roll of accounts.....	502 42	
Interest due and uncalled for.....	26,886 00	
Warrants drawn and unpaid.....	10,264 61	
		65,729 12
AMOUNT DUE FOR COUNTY TAXES COLLECTED IN 1871.		
To county of Hancock.....	286 54	
“ Washington.....	772 32	
“ Oxford.....	16 09	
“ Somerset.....	656 58	
“ Penobscot.....	762 41	
“ Piscataquis.....	1,239 67	
“ Franklin.....	249 98	
“ Aroostook.....	2,823 31	
		6,906 90
		\$8,874,126 03

*Amount paid for claims due prior to January 1, 1871, and for which
the warrants had not been presented for payment.*

Contingent fund governor and council.....	\$1,513 02
Salaries	1,400 00
Clerks in secretary of state's office.....	240 00
Miscellaneous items.....	123 00
Bounty on animals.....	228 00
Support of paupers in unincorporated places.....	668 48
Publishing revised statutes	1,107 12
Reports of judicial decisions	3,422 34
Military pensions	431 00
Insane hospital	2,186 94
Stationery	3,400 00
Interest on Madawaska school fund.....	300 00
Sheriffs and coroners	80 75
School funds	18,243 13
Allotment fund and interest.....	428 75
Commissioners to investigate paper credits	320 00
Clerks in adjutant general's office.....	605 00
Fish commissioners and wardens.....	120 65
Advertising laws	126 78
Interest on lands reserved for public uses	170 33
County supervisors of schools	695 25
Trustees insane hospital	169 00
Printing.....	5,014 00
Inspectors state prison	100 00
Teachers' institutes.....	370 88
State arsenal Bangor	237 14
Commissioners on jail system	500 00
Binding and stitching.....	690 10
Insane State paupers.....	30 41
Bounties refunded to towns.....	9,430 00
Forfeited lands.....	47 59
Aid to families.....	501 44
Roll of accounts.....	27 00
Soldiers' pensions	17,791 46
Interest.....	17,191 00
	\$87,910 56

I herewith annex a tabular statement of the public debt of the due in 1871 as all paid, and virtually it is, though bonds to the like sum has been specially deposited in the Suffolk National for payment.

Tabular Statement of the Public Debt of

DATE OF AUTHORIZATION.	FOR WHAT PURPOSE CREATED.	AMOUNT OF INDEBTEDNESS.		
		Author- ized.	Issued.	Outstand- ing.
Resolve Sept 28, 1853.	Purchase of Massachusetts lands.	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$25,000
Resolve Jan. 23, 1856.	Renewal of State loan created in 1840	130,000	130,000	115,000
Resolve April 14, 1857.	Current expenses.....	30,000	30,000	30,000
Resolve Feb. 8, 1858.	Renewal of Aroostook war loan..	30,000	30,000	30,000
Resolve Feb. 25, 1859.	Same	30,000	30,000	30,000
Resolve Jan. 20, 1860.	Same	51,000	51,000	51,000
Resolve Feb. 5, 1861.	Same	30,000	30,000	30,000
Resolve Jan. 31, 1863.	War loan for aid to families and State bounty to volunteers..	525,000	525,000	525,000
Resolve March 26, 1863.	Bounty to soldiers.....	475,000	475,000	475,000
Resolve March 19, 1864.	Bounty to soldiers and aid to families.....	3,000,000	2,832,500	2,832,500
Act March 7, 1868.	Equalization of municipal war debts	3,500,000	3,084,400	3,084,400

State of Maine, January 1, 1872, treating the war loan of \$800,000 amount of \$6,000 have not been presented for redemption; but a Bank, Boston, to meet those outstanding bonds when presented

the State of Maine, January 1, 1872.

Par Value.	INTEREST.			PRINCIPAL—WHEN PAYABLE.
	Rate.	When Payable.	Where Payable.	
\$25,000	5 per cent.	October 5.....	Boston.	\$25,000 October 5, 1872.
1,000	6 per cent.	March 1 & Sept. 1.	Boston.	} \$15,000 March 1, '72; \$50,000 March 1, '73; and \$50,000 March 1, 1874.
1,000	6 per cent.	Jan. 1 & July 1...	Augusta.	
500 and 1,000	6 per cent.	March 1 & Sept. 1.	Boston.	March 1, 1876.
1,000	6 per cent.	March 1 & Sept. 1.	Boston.	March 1, 1876.
500 and 1,000	6 per cent.	Feb. 1 & Aug. 1 ..	Boston.	February 1, 1877.
1,000	6 per cent.	March 1 & Sept. 1.	Boston.	March 1, 1878.
500 and 1,000	6 per cent.	March 1 & Sept. 1.	Boston.	March 1, 1883.
1,000	6 per cent.	Feb. 15 & Aug. 15.	Boston.	August 15, 1880.
500 and 1,000	6 per cent.	June 1 & Dec. 1...	Boston.	June 1, 1889.
100, 200, 300 500 and 1,000	6 per cent.	April 1 & Oct. 1...	Boston or Augusta.	} October 1, 1889.

On the first day of January, 1871, the public debt of this State was \$8,067,900, and this sum has been reduced by the payment of \$800,000, being the full amount of the war loan contracted in 1861, by the payment of \$25,000, being the ninth of ten notes of \$25,000 each, given to the State of Massachusetts in 1853 for the purchase of Massachusetts lands, and by the payment of \$15,000 of the loan of March 1, 1856, so that the present (January 1, 1872,) amount of the public debt is \$7,227,900. Deducting the amount of the sinking funds, \$798,295, and cash on hand (\$155,295) in excess of immediate liabilities, will leave the public debt represented by the sum of \$6,274,310.

Of the payments made on the public debt during the year 1871, the sum of \$40,000 was from the general revenue of the State, and \$800,000 was received from the sinking fund of 1865, in accordance with the provisions of an act approved February 15, 1866.

The State having been relieved from the operation of the resolve of March 23, 1870, by the reversal on the first day of May, 1871, of the decision of the Supreme Court of the United States, referred to in said resolve, the whole amount of the debt due in 1871, was paid in currency, excepting \$3,000 purchased previous to the reversal of the decision.

There are now two sinking funds in charge of the State Treasurer. First, that established by an act approved January 28, 1865, for the payment of the principal of the bonds of this State issued by authority of resolves approved,

January 31, 1863,

March 23, 1863,

March 19, 1869, and an act approved February 15, 1866, "to provide for the payment of the war loan of 1861." At the date of my last report this fund amounted to the sum of.....\$1,178,677 61

And has been increased during the year by receipts

from taxation.....	170,395 58
By receipts from interest	58,614 12
By premium received on sales of gold bonds and coupons	3,996 75

\$1,411,684 06

The payments from this fund have been the war loan of 1861, viz: May 10 \$250,000 00
 July 1..... 300,000 00
 August 1..... 250,000 00

Premium paid on \$3,000 State of Maine bonds, purchased at 11 per cent. premium..... 330 00

Paid Eastern Express Co., transporting bonds to Boston..... 50 00

Paid for accrued interest on bonds purchased..... 39 06

800,419 06

Present amount of fund.....\$611,265 00

And this fund is now invested as follows:

State of Maine registered bonds, due 1873.....\$19,000 00

Same " 1874..... 3,000 00

Same " 1875..... 5,000 00

Same " 1876..... 31,000 00

Same " 1877..... 2,000 00

Same " 1878..... 4,000 00

Same " 1880.....106,000 00

Same " 1883..... 68,000 00

Same (June) " 1889.....303,000 00

Same (October) " 1889..... 67,000 00

State of Maine coupon bonds, " 1872..... 1,000 00

Same " 1883..... 500 00

Same (June) " 1889..... 500 00

Same (October) " 1889..... 500 00

Cash..... 765 00

\$611,265 00

The second fund is that established by an act approved March 7, 1868, for the payment of the municipal war debt loan.

At the date of my last report this fund aggregated....\$92,048 55

Which has been increased during the year by receipts

from taxation..... 83,574 24

Received from interest..... 7,431 00

Received from the United States..... 3,938 93

Received from discount on bonds purchased..... 37 43

\$187,030 15

Which is invested in—

State of Maine registered bonds, due in 1874.....		\$5,000	00
Same	“ June, 1889.....	93,000	00
Same	“ Oct. 1889.....	87,000	00
State of Maine coupon bonds,	“ 1889.....	300	00
Cash.....		1,730	15
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		\$187,030	15

The sum of \$3,915 has been received during the year 1871 from leases of shores and islands belonging to the Penobscot tribe of Indians, which amount has been credited to the Penobscot Indian Fund. The present amount of said fund being \$67,742.32.

The committee appointed for settlement of the accounts of the State Treasurer for 1871, after examining and finding them correct, and making record thereof in the Treasurer's office, destroyed by burning on the 18th of January, 1871, all the bonds and coupons redeemed during the year 1870, amounting to the sum of \$486,261, viz. \$33,000 in bonds, and \$453,261 in coupons, being the whole amount of interest paid in 1870, exclusive of \$17,460 paid on registered bonds. And the same committee, on the 17th of February, acting under authority of a resolve approved February 15, 1871, after examining and finding them correct, destroyed by burning all the bonds, and coupons thereto attached, that had been converted into registered bonds by the Treasurer during the year preceding, amounting to the sum of \$639,000, and, as required by law, made due record thereof.

Since my last report, coupon bonds to the amount of \$562,000 have been surrendered and cancelled, and registered bonds for a like sum issued therefor.

The advantages of registration are so apparent that undoubtedly the time will soon come when the major part of our public debt will be represented by registered bonds.

The Hon. P. P. Burleigh, Land Agent, has paid into the State Treasury during the year 1871, the sum of \$19,169.19. Of this sum there was paid in on account of "Lands reserved for public uses," \$987.88, on account of "Granger Turnpike Fund," \$2,-066.25, with the sum of \$16,115.06 on account of the "Permanent School Fund."

The time and amount of each payment made by the Land Agent into the Treasury were as follows:

January 9.....	\$2,066	25
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March 1	\$4,141 00
September 2.....	6,257 69
September 6.....	1,909 55
November 29.....	1,112 48
December 1	1,644 97
December 13	1,708 17
December 19	329 08
	\$19,169 19

Acting under the authority of a resolve approved February 25, 1871, the Attorney General has made a settlement of the claims of the State against Messrs. Wyman and Brown, growing out of the transactions of B. D. Peck as State Treasurer, and paid into the Treasury May 4, 1871, the sum of \$3,078.91. The State has now received on the deficiency account of B. D. Peck \$51,290.41, viz:

In 1860.....	\$48,000 00
1861.....	211 50
1871.....	3,078 91

leaving a balance still due of \$42,633.59, a portion of which may be collected.

The sum of \$4,501.34 has been received from the United States during the past year, \$362 41 of which was the fractional part of \$1,000 due under an act of Congress approved July 8, 1870, and this sum, by order of Council, passed February 7, 1871, has been paid over to the European and North American Railway Company, and \$200, refunded by the United States, being amount retained from the pay of Ebenezer P. Davis of Co. M, 1st Maine Cavalry, on account of double bounty received by said Davis, and also the sum of \$3,938.93 was received through Gov. Perham, on account of our late war claims.

The war claims of this State on the general government were about \$1,300,000, and of this sum the State has received \$1,015,-470.79, viz:

Received in 1861, cash.....	\$200,000 00
“ 1862, cash.....	120,000 00
Received Maine's proportion of the direct tax of the United States under the twenty million bill of August 5, 1861, after deducting the 15 per cent. for the State's assumption of the payment.....	357,702 10
Received in 1867, cash.....	209,144 35

Received in 1868, cash.....	\$124,685 41
“ 1871. “	3,938 93
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	\$1,015,470 79

As a precautionary measure, the Legislature, by resolve approved February 25, 1871, authorized the Treasurer of State, if he should deem it necessary during the year, to procure a temporary loan of \$200,000, or so much thereof as might be needed, but the Treasurer has had no occasion to avail himself of the provisions of said resolve.

In consequence of the reduction of more than one-tenth of our public debt during the year 1871, thereby relieving the State from the payment of \$50,000 annual interest, the State tax for the year 1872 can be reduced to four and three-quarters mills on the dollar of the State valuation.

WILLIAM CALDWELL, *Treasurer.*