

and Trestle work, but I think the spirit of that act has been violated. Section 31 of the above act authorizes the Company to issue Internal Improvement Bonds to the amount of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) "for the structures necessary to cross from the west side of Nassau River to Amelia Island," it being doubtless intended by the Legislature that good and permanent structures should be put up. The Trestle across Amelia Marsh is a very simple and cheap structure, and has not the strength which it should have, it being a bent of two piles every ten feet sawed off level on top with a cap sill pinned on their top, and two stringers pinned to those caps immediately over the piles, and in the whole one and a quarter mile of Trestle there is not (that I could find) a mortice and tenon joint, or a brace of any kind and on that trestle is a three degree curve. The remainder of the trestle work is of the Λ (inverted W) pattern, and is very good, except that pinning the base sills to the piles is too much used instead of mortice and tenon joints. The bridges are of the Home Truss pattern, and are well built, but have not that appearance of permanency or durability which I think they should have. They are built on pile piers and abutments, and are neither covered nor painted. The Draw Bridge at Kingsleys' cut is very good, and has lately received a good coat of paint.

As the Road does not cross Nassau River, I do not know on how much of the Road the Company used that one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) of Bonds, but am confident that at the prices paid for that kind of work, all the Bridges and Trestle-work on the first fifty miles of the Road could have been built for fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.)

As well as I was able to ascertain, the requirements of the sixth, seventh, eighth and ninth specifications, &c. have been complied with.

I was instructed by you "Also to examine whether or not the Iron has been laid on the last section of thirty miles, and if not laid, how much remains to be laid, and if laid, when the same was completed." With this I send a statement of "Detailed account of Track laid of Florida Railroad," furnished to me by Mr. Koerner the Office Engineer of the Florida Railroad, and I was informed by him and by Geo. W. Call, Esq., that no track had been laid on the Florida Railroad since March 1, 1858. It will be seen from Mr. Koerner's statement, that on the last section of thirty miles, for which the Company has received bonds, there are twenty-four miles, and four thousand and seventy-four (4,074) feet laid, leaving five (5) miles and twelve hundred and six (1206) feet (5 1-4 miles nearly) to be laid.

All of which is most Respectfully submitted.

JNO. BRADFORD.

Account of the Gross Receipts of the Florida Rail-Road Company, the cost of transportation and repairs, and the nett receipts of the said Company, for the six months, ending August 31st, 1857, rendered in accordance with law, to the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund of the State of Florida, viz :

Gross Receipts,	- - - -	\$421 70	
Cost of Transportation,	- - - -		421 70
Expense of Repairs,	- - - -		595 00
Nett Receipts,	- - - -	000 00	
Excess of Expenses over Receipts,	- - - -	595 00	
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		\$1,016 70	\$1,016 70

Account of the Gross receipts of the Florida Rail-Road Company, the cost of transportation and repairs, and the nett receipts of the said Company for the six months ending February 28, 1858, rendered in accordance with law, to the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund of the State of Florida :

Gross Receipts,	- - - -	\$10,756 16	
Cost of Transportation and Repairs,	- - - -		11,194 58
Excess of Expenses over Receipts,	- - - -	438 42	
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		\$11,194 58	\$11,194 58

SALESMAN'S REPORT.

TALLAHASSEE, FLA., Nov. 1, 1858.

To his Excellency, MADISON S. PERRY, Governor of Florida and President of the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund :

SIR: As Salesman of the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund, I have the honor to submit the following report of sales and receipts in my office for the two last years:

From 31st October, 1856, to November 1st, 1858, I have sold of lands belonging to the original Internal Improvement Fund 6,288 85-100 acres, at an average price of \$2 02 $\frac{1}{4}$ per acre, yielding in cash \$4,985 83, and in bonds \$8,562 95. Add this number of acres to the 147,284.06 stated to have been sold at the date of my last report, and it appears that 153,572.91 acres belonging to this Fund have been sold since the establishment of this office, yielding, in cash and bonds, the sum of \$266,135 13.

During the period embraced in this report, I have sold of the

swamp and overflowed lands granted by act of Congress of September 28, 1850, 82,783 42-100 acres, yielding, in cash, \$37,664. 29 cents, and, in bonds, \$81,633 10. Add this number of acres to the 36,338 53-100 stated to have been sold at the date of my last report, and it appears that 119,121 95-100 acres of these lands have been sold since they were first brought into market, yielding, in cash and bonds, the sum of \$167,676 80.

The accompanying tables, marked A and B, exhibit statements of the monthly sales and receipts during the period embraced in this report.

D. S. WALKER.

(A.)

Statement of Sales of INTERNAL IMPROVEMENT and SWAMP LANDS from November 1st, 1856, to November 1st, 1858.

MONTH.	SWAMP LANDS.			INT. IMP. LANDS.		
	Am't sold. Acres.	Am't cash payment.	Am't bonds.	Am't sold. Acres.	Am't cash payment.	Bonds received.
Nov., 1856,	1,033.02	\$ 409.07	\$ 993 03			
Dec. "	2,007.86	976.05	1,711.12	120.40	\$ 116.81	\$ 119.72
Jan., 1857,	1,478.77	1,581.01	3,102.70	509.74	295.19	795.57
Feb'y, "	3,007.48	910.68	1,790.73			
March, "	3,557.80	1,489.56	3,298.80	88.33	65.25	175.04
April, "	4,232.32	1,793.41	3,986.26	440.34	248.23	563.13
May, "	1,771.31	697.44	1,853.54	199.93	110.55	348.04
June, "	2,077.41	1,010.32	2,074.19	408.97	169.01	425.32
July, "	3,168.06	1,663.77	2,951.28	159.84	88.00	238.62
Aug., "	7,158.12	2,796.96	7,211.14	80.07	52.15	138.73
Sept., "	4,849.74	1,925.77	4,850.10	40.00	72.19	
Oct., "	5,380.94	2,305.85	5,704.90	479.86	354.20	566.79
Nov., "	4,613.88	2,205.93	4,205.36	750.90	1,273 90	498.23
Dec., "	3,797.12	1,870.73	3,479.33	479.08	281.00	755.26
Jan., 1858,	4,456.72	2,030.48	4,612.97	851.18	553.95	1,291.69
Feb., "	3,264.44	1,665.03	3,745.00	559.18	410.46	913.76
March, "	4,708.03	2,350.41	4,597.10	40.10	30.00	79.25
April, "	3,824.18	1,619.80	4,122.73	114.67	50.43	163.14
May, "	2,472.94	1,381.14	2,516.94	120.32	84.39	226.90
June, "	1,827.50	1,055.92	1,935.68	80.25	45.00	120.55
July, "	3,470.80	1,861.53	3,324.17	240.14	158.00	430.06
Aug., "	2,622.88	1,206.84	2,389.17	245.88	140.34	379.12
Sept., "	3,537.88	1,497.94	3,614.39	120.06	66.15	179.35
Oct., "	3,414.21	1,358.65	3,562.47	159.71	330.63	154.68
	82,783.42	\$37,664.29	\$81,633.10	6,288.85	\$4,935.83	\$8,562.95

(B.)

Statement of Amount of Cash Received on Account Sales of Swamp and Internal Improvement Lands, from November 1st, 1856, to November 1st, 1858.

	Cash payment.	Notes paid.	Interest on Notes.	TOTAL.
November, 1856,	\$ 409 07	\$ 2,363 32	\$ 10 63	\$ 2,783 08
December, "	1,092 86	2,356 94	35 82	3,485 62
January, 1857,	1,876 20	2,839 35	18 88	4,734 43
February, "	910 68	1,650 18	4 17	2,565 03
March, "	1,554 81	2,078 62	2 99	3,636 42
April, "	2,041 64	1,882 27	10 72	3,934 63
May, "	807 99	1,240 59	98	2,049 56
June, "	1,169 33	1,805 90	11 83	2,987 06
July, "	1,751 77	791 79	97	2,544 53
August, "	2,849 06	935 76	80	3,785 62
September, "	1,997 96	1,443 98	21	3,442 15
October, "	2,660 05	1,370 60	116 07	4,146 72
November, "	3,479 83	1,449 58		4,929 41
December, "	2,151 73	941 12		3,092 85
January, 1858,	2,584 43	1,653 69	16 64	4,254 76
February, "	2,075 49	1,507 87	6 79	3,590 15
March, "	2,380 41	2,534 87	11 18	4,926 46
April, "	1,670 23	2,813 68	101 77	4,585 68
May, "	1,465 53	2,274 76	69 74	3,810 03
June, "	1,100 92	2,539 42	39 28	3,679 62
July, "	2,019 53	1,872 48	33 31	3,925 32
August, "	1,347 18	1,281 30	14 16	2,642 64
September, "	1,564 09	2,042 94	158 16	3,765 19
October, "	1,689 28	1,011 60	2 23	2,703 11
	\$42,650 07	\$42,682 61	\$ 667 39	\$86,000 07

TREASURER'S REPORT.

TREASURY OFFICE,
TALLAHASSEE, Nov. 1, 1858. }

His Excellency MADISON S. PERRY,
Governor of Florida:

SIR: I have the honor to present herewith, and through you to the General Assembly, my report as Treasurer of the Board of
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