

Senate bill No. 252, to be entitled an act to provide for lending moneys of the common school fund by the Board of Education upon promissory notes, and writings obligatory secured by mortgages on real estate situated in this State.

Very respectfully,

WM. FORSYTH BYNUM,  
*Chief Clerk of the Assembly.*

Mr. Greeley, on behalf of the Republican members of the Senate, presented to the President a beautiful cane with appropriate remarks.

The President replied in a few appropriate remarks.

Mr. Baker offered the following resolution:

*Resolved.* That the Senate desires to express to the citizens of Tallahassee its appreciation for the courtesy and kindness which has been extended to them during the present session.

Read and adopted by a rising vote.

The President then delivered his farewell address to the Senate.

Assembly bill No. 78:

To be entitled an act to provide for the public health by a uniform system of quarantine;

Which was read the second time.

In pursuance to a joint resolution adopted by the Senate and Assembly, that the Legislature do adjourn *sine die*, at 12 o'clock M., March 2d, the hour of 12 o'clock M. having arrived, the President declared the Senate adjourned *sine die*.

#### CONFIRMATIONS.

J. L. F. Cottrell, Jr., to be Harbor Master for the port of Cedar Keys.

J. T. Weston, to be Clerk of the Circuit Court of Clay county.

B. B. Blackwell, to be State Attorney for the Third Judicial Circuit.

James Stearns and J. C. Patterson, to be Commissioners of Pilotage for Escambia county.

Benjamin Coachman, to be Sheriff for Levy county.

W. C. Maloney, Jr., to be Assessor and Collector of Revenue for Monroe county.

S. J. Hodge, to be Assessor of Taxes for Volusia county.

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## REPORT

OF THE

COMPTROLLER OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA,

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 1881,

BEGINNING JANUARY 1 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31.

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## REPORT OF THE COMPTROLLER.

COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,  
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA, January 1, 1882. }

To His Excellency Wm. D. BLOXHAM,  
*Governor of Florida :*

SIR: I have the honor to submit herewith my report as Comptroller for the fiscal year ending December 31st, 1881.

### RECEIPTS INTO THE STATE TREASURY.

The total receipts into the State Treasury on account of General Revenue (including Interest Taxes) for the fiscal year ending December 31st, 1881, amount to \$321,093.40, as follows:

State Tax Proper, 1881.....	\$20,538 52	
“ “ “ 1880.....	93,308 89	
“ “ “ 1879.....	5,507 40	
“ “ “ 1878.....	2,173 62	
“ “ “ 1877.....	1,091 70	
“ “ “ 1876.....	774 93	
“ “ “ 1875.....	233 43	
“ “ “ 1874.....	4,485 14	
“ “ “ 1873.....	125 21	
“ “ “ 1872.....	2,784 01	
“ “ “ 1871.....	53 14	
License Tax.....	86,100 32	
Auction Tax.....	709 44	
Commission Tax.....	2,743 00	
Asylum Commission Tax.....	448 00	
Sale of Laws.....	81 50	
Sale of Justice Manuals.....	14 00	
Interest on S. C. Consol Certificate.....	124 59	
Criminal Prosecutions (costs).....	270 64	
Hire of Penitentiary Convicts.....	2,745 00	
Jurors and Witnesses (refunded).....	118 95	
Redemption of Lands.....	118 32—	\$224,544 75
General Sinking Fund and Interest Tax, 1881.....	7,239 12	
“ “ “ “ “ “ 1880.....	54,405 75	
“ “ “ “ “ “ 1879.....	1,817 47	
“ “ “ “ “ “ 1878.....	413 14	
“ “ “ “ “ “ 1877.....	250 49	
“ “ “ “ “ “ 1876.....	84 80	
“ “ “ “ “ “ 1875.....	60 43	
“ “ “ “ “ “ 1874.....	28 00	
“ “ “ “ “ “ 1873.....	32 01	
“ “ “ “ “ “ 1872.....	11 91	
“ “ “ “ “ “ 1871.....	8 34—	64,351 46

Special Sinking Fund and Interest Tax, 1881.	3,637 04	
" " " " " " 1880.	27,216 85	
" " " " " " 1879.	899 36	
" " " " " " 1878.	218 73	
" " " " " " 1877.	131 04	
" " " " " " 1876.	30 71	
" " " " " " 1875.	28 77	
" " " " " " 1874.	16 00	
" " " " " " 1873.	12 00	
" " " " " " 1872.	3 93	
" " " " " " 1871.	2 76—	32,197 19
		<u>\$321,093.40</u>

## PAYMENTS AT THE STATE TREASURY.

The following statement shows the amount of Warrants and Certificates paid at the Treasury for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1881:

Salaries Executive Department.....	\$18,273 55
Salaries Judicial Department.....	30,317 21
Contingent Expenses of State.....	1,632 91
Stationery Executive and Legislative Departments.....	1,417 18
Expenses Collection of Revenue.....	33,466 63
Expenses Bureau of Immigration.....	5,130 09
Post Mortem Examinations.....	393 80
Printing.....	9,573 55
Maintenance of Lunatics.....	29,373 25
Expenses Legislature of 1881.....	68,870 36
Jurors and Witnesses.....	54,777 23
Contingent Expenses Supreme Court.....	2,531 89
Watchman at Capitol.....	295 25
Repairs of Capitol.....	2,173 07
Legislative Relief Acts.....	2,124 01
Rewards for Apprehension of Criminals.....	1,238 95
Expenses Legislature of 1879.....	790 21
Expenses Presidential Electors.....	12 20
Expenses Madison Riot.....	1,547 45
Criminal Prosecutions.....	310 79
Safe for Comptroller's Office.....	725 00
Expenses Penitentiary 1878.....	28 50
Conveying Prisoners to Penitentiary.....	119 00
Compilation Digest of Laws.....	3,700 00
Investigation Bonds of 1873.....	183 55
Indebtedness of State.....	129 73
Expenses Indian Hostilities 1849.....	1,333 07
Expenses Printing and Distribution of Digest..	2,500 00
Janitor at Capitol.....	316 00
Treasurer's Certificates.....	25 00—
	<u>\$273,299 43</u>

It may be proper to remark that the expenditure reported for printing the Digest does not include the entire cost of the work. The bill for printing and binding the book, under the contract, amounts to \$5,432.50, of which only \$2,500 has been paid to date, and only that sum could be carried into the account for the fiscal year 1881.

## BONDED DEBT.

The bonded debt is as follows:

7 per cent. Bonds of 1871.....	\$350,000 00
6 per cent. Bonds of 1873.....	925,000 00
8 per cent. Convention Bonds.....	1,500 00—
	<u>\$1,276,500 00</u>

Of this indebtedness there is—

In Sinking Funds.....	150,700 00
In School Fund.....	248,900 00
In Agricultural College Fund.....	125 600 00
In Seminary Fund.....	85,000 00—
	<u>610,200 00</u>

Leaving in the hands of private parties..... \$666,300 00

In addition to the above Bonds there appears to be outstanding \$4,000 of Bonds issued in 1857, which have never been presented at the Treasury for payment of either principal or interest.

There are also 7 per cent. Bonds of the State held by the Indian Trust Fund of the United States amounting to \$132,000, but as an offset the State has a claim against the United States for an amount more than sufficient to cover the face of these Bonds with interest.

Upon coming into office, I received to my predecessor, the Hon. Columbus Drew, for \$75,000 of the six per cent. bonds authorized to be issued under the Act of February 21, 1873, which had not been sold or exchanged as provided by said act. They numbered from 2,951 to 3,700. These were destroyed on the 17th February, 1881, by a committee of the Legislature appointed for that purpose.

## LANDS SOLD TO THE STATE FOR TAXES.

The amount of State taxes on lands unredeemed January 1st, 1881, was \$18,709.76, as follows:

Of Lands sold in 1879.....	\$11,748 64
Of Lands sold in 1880.....	6,961 12
	<u>\$18,709 76</u>
Amount Taxes on Lands sold to the State in 1881.....	5,508 16
	<u>\$24,217 92</u>
Total amount redeemed in 1881.....	6,217 36
Unredeemed.....	<u>\$18,000 56</u>

The amount sold in 1881 is less than that in 1879 or 1880, while the amount redeemed is larger than for either of these years.

## REPORT OF STATE TAXES ON LANDS

Sold for Taxes and bought in for the State in the year 1881 in the following counties, as reported to the Comptroller's office:

Alachua.....	\$993 59	Liberty.....	56 12
Baker.....		Lafayette.....	21 70
Bradford.....	144 44	Marion.....	148 89
Brevard.....	431 00	Monroe.....	317 93
Calhoun.....		Madison.....	29 98
Columbia.....	144 51	Manatee.....	9 23
Clay.....	74 18	Nassau.....	190 81
Duval.....	1240 84	Orange.....	287 97
Dade.....		Polk.....	25 57
Escambia.....	77 85	Putnam.....	193 52
Franklin.....	49 55	Suwannee.....	9 01
Gadsden.....	388 23	Sumter.....	
Hillsborough.....	3 26	Santa Rosa.....	
Hernando.....	56 15	St. Johns.....	7 00
Holmes.....		Taylor.....	
Hamilton.....	58 24	Volusia.....	172 70
Jackson.....	210 14	Walton.....	
Jefferson.....	30 27	Washington.....	
Levy.....	44 54	Wakulla.....	67 67
Leon.....	23 27		
			\$5,508 16

## WARRANTS ISSUED.

The total amount of warrants issued during the year is \$281,201.03.

They are under the heads of Expenditure, and for the different years, as follows:

FOR 1881.	
For Contingent Expenses State.....	\$1,716 89
For Printing.....	5,000 20
For Repairs of Capitol.....	1,752 92
For Stationery for Executive and Legislative Departments.....	500 00
For Expenses Digest Laws of Florida, Printing.....	2,500 00
For Expenses Digest Laws of Florida, Compiling.....	3,700 00
For Post Mortem Examinations.....	220 00
For Expenses Bureau of Immigration.....	2,230 91
For Salaries Executive Department.....	14,773 54
For Salaries Judicial Department.....	23,249 11
For Jurors and Witnesses.....	34,930 65
For Appropriation for Janitor at Capitol.....	300 00
For Appropriation for Watchman at Capital.....	300 00
For Expenses Collection of Revenue.....	15,858 43
For Maintenance of Lunatics.....	21,282 45
For Contingent Expenses Supreme Court.....	1,197 48
For Expenses of Committee to Investigate the issue of Bonds of 1873.....	183 55
For Expenses Legislature of 1881.....	69,145 35
For Criminal Prosecutions.....	310 79

For Expenses of Committee on Indian War Claims.....	280 50
For Safe in Comptroller's Office.....	725 00
For Expenses of Militia to suppress riot in Madison.....	1,552 45— \$201,710 22

## SPECIAL ACTS FOR RELIEF OF, &amp;C.

Act to compensate Walter C. Maloney, Jr.....	\$200 00
Act for the relief of Thomas Ellis.....	42 00
Act for the relief of Dr. H. J. Paramore.....	95 00
Act for the relief of Meradith B. Abernathy.....	30 00
Act for the relief of A. L. Randolph and W. A. Rawls.....	75 00
Act for the relief of Wm. Bowman and others.....	46 10
Act for the relief of Henry J. Stewart.....	40 00
Act for the relief of William Marson.....	300 00
Act for the relief of Walter Gwynn and others.....	490 76
Act for the relief of T. W. Downing.....	60 00
Act for the relief of A. Moseley, Sheriff.....	152 80
Act for the relief of R. F. Allison.....	27 51
Act for the relief of D. M. Hammond.....	60 00
Act for the relief of Albert Fries.....	218 93
Act for the relief of Robert Funke, M. D.....	10 00
Act for the relief of F. J. White.....	74 50
Act for the relief of Henry Jernigan.....	7 99
Act for the relief of Dr. M. J. Powledge.....	10 00
Act for the relief of Bolling Baker.....	428 15
Act for the relief of Mrs. H. E. Seeley.....	6 66
Act for the relief of Frederick N. Foy.....	191 00
Act for the relief of M. C. Linere and others...	13 75— \$2, 580 15

## FOR 1880.

For repairs of Capitol.....	409 71
For Stationery for Executive and Legislative Departments.....	846 70
For Expenses Bureau of Immigration.....	2,904 68
For Post Mortem Examinations.....	50 00
For Salaries Executive Department.....	4,800 00
For Salaries Judicial Department.....	9,193 10
For Expenses Collection of Revenue 1880 and previous years.....	20,000 00
For Printing.....	4,642 00
For Jurors and Witnesses.....	19,348 43
For Maintenance of Lunatics.....	5,591 44
For Contingent Expenses Supreme Court.....	1,338 08
For Appropriation for Janitor at Capitol.....	16 00
For Appropriation for Watchman at Capitol...	15 25
For Expenses for Apprehension of Criminals prior to 1881.....	142 40— \$69,797 79

## FOR 1879.

For Jurors and Witnesses.....	773 62
For Reward for Apprehension of Criminals...	900 00
For Expenses of Legislature.....	790 21
For Maintenance of Lunatics.....	2,908 56— \$5,372 39

FOR 1878.			
For Jurors and Witnesses.....	88 00		
For Conveying Prisoners to Penitentiary.....	135 50		
For Expenses of Penitentiary.....	28 50—	\$252 00	
FOR 1877.			
For Jurors and Witnesses.....	73 65		
For Jurors and Witnesses, Mileage.....	130 50		
For Conveying Prisoners to Penitentiary.....	29 00—	\$233 15	
FOR 1876 AND PREVIOUS YEARS.			
For Jurors and Witnesses.....	136 03		
For Indebtedness of State, 1871 and 1873.....	129 73		
For Comptroller's Certificates for Indian hostilities of 1849.....	989 57—	\$1,255 33	
		\$281,201 03	

There is an annual expenditure of \$80,000 for interest on the bonded debt, which is not included in the statement of "Payments at the State Treasury," nor in the amount of "Warrants Issued," therefore to arrive at the actual expenses the interest on bonded debt must be added:

Total amount Warrants issued.....	\$281,201 03
Annual interest on Bonded Debt.....	80,000 00

Total Expenditure.....\$361,201 03

Interest is paid at the Treasury on coupons detached from bonds, and no Warrant is issued therefor.

#### JURORS AND WITNESSES.

Statement showing the amount of Juror and Witness Certificates issued by the several counties for the year 1881:

Alachua.....	\$1,984 80	Marion.....	2,449 25
Baker.....	299 60	Monroe.....	1,488 50
Bradford.....	966 60	Madison.....	2,563 10
Brevard.....	2,317 55	Manatee.....	2,757 25
Calhoun.....	530 00	Nassau.....	783 65
Columbia.....	2,244 70	Orange (no Spring Term of Court).....	426 05
Clay.....	510 40	Polk.....	1,079 30
Duval.....	3,716 95	Putnam.....	1,016 05
Dade.....		Suwannee.....	1,762 90
Escambia.....	2,085 40	Sumner.....	1,305 13
Franklin.....	600 90	Santa Rosa.....	807 15
Gadsden.....	1,033 70	St. Johns.....	486 20
Hillsborough.....	816 45	Taylor.....	255 80
Hernando.....	1,160 05	Volusia (no Spring Term of Court).....	576 40
Holmes.....	354 50	Walton.....	441 95
Hamilton.....	2,857 55	Washington (no Spring Term of Court).....	236 50
Jackson.....	2,088 25	Wakulla (no Fall Term of Court).....	184 50
Jefferson.....	2,342 10		
Levy.....	987 50		
Leon.....	1,835 35		
Liberty.....	324 55		
Lafayette.....	1,020 10		
			\$48,696 68

By Circuits the expenses are as follows:

First Judicial Circuit (six counties).....	\$6,013 75
Second Judicial Circuit (seven counties).....	6,851 10
Third Judicial Circuit (six counties).....	10,704 15
Fourth Judicial Circuit (six counties).....	6,763 40
Fifth Judicial Circuit (five counties).....	7,742 73
Sixth Judicial Circuit (five counties).....	7,301 55
Seventh Judicial Circuit (three counties).....	3,320 00
	\$48,696 68

The table of assessment for 1881, shows an increase of \$5,085,677 in the taxable value of the property in the State since 1880, and an increase of revenue from the occupation license tax of \$22,863.18. This is a gratifying evidence of the growing prosperity of the people.

It will be seen that the taxes of 1880 have been more closely collected than that of any previous year in the history of the State Government. This may be attributed both to the willingness with which the people will always submit to any reasonable demands upon them for the support of the Government, and to the efficiency of the officers charged with the assessment and collection of the revenue; and it affords me pleasure to speak in terms of commendation of the revenue officers throughout the State, who have, in the main, discharged the delicate and responsible duties entrusted to them with fidelity and promptness.

W. D. BARNES, Comptroller.

**Value of Property, with Gross and Net Amount State Taxes Assessed for the Year 1881, including Licenses and Amount of Auction Tax.**

COUNTIES.	Assessed Value of Property.	GROSS ASSESSMENT.					Total Net after deducting insolventcies, etc.	Licenses.	County Tax Proper.	County School.	County Special.	Total for County Purposes.
		State Tax.	G S Fund.	S S Fund.	School Fund.	Total Gross.						
ALACHUA.....	\$2,189,588	\$9,664.65	\$4,379.01	\$2,189.56	\$2,189.57	18,422.74	\$16,593.50	\$3,271.69	\$9,664.65	\$6,568.57	\$17,516.29	\$83,749.51
BAKER.....	254,634	1,143.17	509.31	255.02	255.02	2,182.62	2,136.25	841.25	1,143.17	696.81	764.16	2,544.14
BRADFORD.....	667,120	3,071.50	1,324.26	667.11	667.11	5,739.98	5,331.24	1,235.68	3,071.50	2,001.36	667.17	5,740.03
BREVARD.....	490,174	2,121.80	980.40	491.02	491.02	4,084.24	3,993.94	280.00	2,121.80	1,226.39	980.40	4,828.59
CALHOUN.....	187,503	707.02	275.01	137.70	137.70	1,257.43	1,199.43	200.00	707.02	412.71	275.01	1,394.74
COLUMBIA.....	653,588	4,676.34	1,907.17	953.59	953.59	8,490.89	7,931.40	2,130.00	4,676.34	2,883.97	6,876.10	18,735.41
CLAY.....	523,459	2,340.27	1,046.86	524.36	524.36	4,425.87	4,292.67	1,285.00	2,340.27	1,571.23	3,901.50	8,901.50
DUVAL.....	4,673,981	20,076.02	9,347.06	4,673.98	4,673.98	39,672.64	26,895.38	14,690.00	20,076.02	16,362.94	39,672.64	100,000.00
DADE.....	25,740	126.42	51.12	25.58	25.58	228.66	200.00	80.00	126.42	64.32	51.12	242.18
ESCAMBIA.....	3,251,350	13,153.40	6,493.25	3,253.43	3,253.43	26,153.51	25,073.33	13,345.00	13,738.58	8,130.84	7,838.24	20,707.66
FRANKLIN.....	247,182	1,107.70	494.36	247.96	247.96	2,157.98	2,015.98	760.00	1,107.70	988.70	371.27	2,527.87
GADSDEN.....	161,135	4,342.04	1,832.27	916.14	916.13	8,006.53	6,955.90	1,575.00	4,342.04	2,290.36	1,832.27	8,464.87
HILLSBORO.....	95,108	4,247.99	1,896.24	953.12	953.11	8,050.46	7,617.84	1,320.00	4,247.99	2,388.87	1,896.24	4,754.24
HERNANDO.....	104,992	2,584.30	1,115.90	557.95	557.95	4,816.10	4,638.51	730.05	2,584.30	1,073.86	1,115.90	5,374.06
HOLMES.....	690,395	3,208.54	1,380.81	690.41	690.41	6,070.63	5,997.07	85.00	3,208.54	1,726.21	1,380.81	6,415.56
JACKSON.....	1,031,586	5,434.64	2,062.76	1,033.34	1,033.34	9,564.08	9,010.54	2,151.25	5,434.64	2,581.43	2,062.76	10,078.83
JEFFERSON.....	1,612,125	7,538.50	3,024.25	1,512.12	1,512.13	13,587.00	12,593.45	1,845.00	7,538.50	3,779.92	3,317.08	19,635.60
LEVY.....	64,577	2,933.29	1,287.92	643.79	643.86	5,508.86	5,284.09	2,505.01	2,933.29	2,292.65	1,287.92	4,867.57
LEON.....	1,684,722	7,364.42	3,369.32	1,688.40	1,688.40	14,110.64	13,269.19	2,425.00	7,364.42	4,214.51	3,369.32	20,846.19
LIBERTY.....	166,854	776.92	337.63	170.33	170.33	1,455.21	1,414.88	80.00	776.92	421.46	337.64	1,532.39
LAFAYETTE.....	246,937	1,217.67	494.14	246.26	246.27	2,208.34	1,521.86	290.00	1,217.67	988.18	494.17	2,700.02
MARION.....	1,514,230	6,804.54	3,028.52	1,514.26	1,514.26	12,921.58	12,100.15	1,690.00	6,804.54	5,299.91	3,028.52	12,164.45
MONROE.....	1,289,225	5,461.40	2,572.45	1,286.22	1,286.22	10,606.29	9,893.78	6,850.00	5,461.40	5,144.90	2,572.45	10,606.30
MADISON.....	1,273,950	6,050.80	2,467.80	1,233.95	1,233.95	10,986.60	10,071.94	2,135.00	6,050.80	3,084.90	2,467.80	15,922.40
MANATEE.....	899,458	3,968.82	1,798.91	899.45	899.45	7,554.63	7,327.04	880.00	3,968.82	2,248.64	1,798.91	7,114.91
NASSAU.....	1,048,078	4,486.31	2,096.15	1,048.08	1,048.08	8,678.82	8,594.48	3,110.00	4,486.31	4,192.32	2,096.15	10,774.78
ORANGE.....	1,716,554	7,360.30	3,433.06	1,718.85	1,718.85	14,231.06	13,831.67	3,025.00	7,360.30	6,868.08	3,433.06	17,654.54
POLK.....	868,869	1,687.34	757.67	369.60	369.60	3,164.21	3,004.21	170.00	1,687.34	1,007.02	757.67	3,432.03
PUTNAM.....	1,208,318	5,624.68	2,416.50	1,208.17	1,208.18	10,467.63	9,944.76	3,246.00	5,624.68	4,227.41	2,416.50	11,070.26
SUWANNEE.....	695,653	3,369.52	1,391.91	698.12	698.12	6,167.47	5,957.94	1,695.00	3,369.52	1,741.92	1,391.91	6,809.36
SUMTER.....	880,745	3,973.71	1,774.40	885.14	885.14	7,524.39	7,406.23	296.00	3,973.71	2,652.92	1,774.40	8,401.03
SANTA ROSA.....	750,079	3,598.77	1,506.07	753.04	753.04	6,610.92	6,190.07	1,880.00	3,598.77	1,853.01	1,506.07	8,117.84
ST. JOHNS.....	839,285	3,739.66	1,678.55	840.89	840.89	7,129.98	6,853.37	3,097.56	3,739.66	2,519.49	1,678.55	7,130.03
TAYLOR.....	148,155	789.12	296.28	148.86	148.86	1,383.12	1,353.41	180.00	789.12	370.81	296.28	1,454.21
VOLUSIA.....	926,790	4,209.16	1,853.58	926.79	926.79	7,916.32	7,758.58	911.70	4,209.16	3,707.16	1,853.58	9,789.90
WALTON.....	277,187	1,432.77	554.29	277.15	277.15	2,541.36	2,370.25	575.90	1,432.77	692.97	554.29	2,680.03
WASHINGTON.....	201,865	1,100.12	402.71	201.36	201.36	1,908.35	1,737.27	185.25	1,100.12	805.42	402.71	2,309.05
WAKULLA.....	314,533	1,516.68	620.56	315.63	315.63	2,775.00	2,611.78	200.00	1,516.68	945.20	620.56	3,091.44
	\$36,241,523	\$180,062.28	\$72,468.38	\$36,267.22	\$36,267.22	305,065.14	\$281,927.47	\$81,306.35	\$156,607.41	\$110,628.54	\$93,529.19	\$860,765.14

Add Licenses received from Insurance Companies, &c. 4,600.00

**REPORT**  
 OF THE  
**TREASURER OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA,**  
 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 1881,  
 BEGINNING FEBRUARY 2 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31.