

the account; but so many are defective in form, that the auditor is unable to state any satisfactory account from them. He has found, amongst the papers filed by the company, an account which agrees substantially with the account now exhibited. It does not appear, * that the company ever accepted the said account; **646** neither does it appear to have been rejected. But, considering the nature of the relation which existed between the parties, and the character of the expenditures made by the claimant; and that no further account was called for by the company, the auditor thinks, that the claim may be allowed without further proof; at least, to the extent of the payments proved to have been made by any of the vouchers exhibited, whether those vouchers be in form or defective. The claimant has also filed two little books, A and B, which are proved to have been kept by one A. Hilgar, who was a clerk in the employ of the company, and is since dead. The books prove expenditures to the amount of \$5,742.83; but as credits are admitted on general account to the amount of \$7,264.19, it is supposed, that the claimant can derive no benefit from those books.

No. 15 is the claim of Philip G. Lechleitner, who was also an agent of the company; and is of many years continuance. The claimant, from time to time exhibited accounts current, which seem to have been accepted by the company, and entered upon the company's books. But those books being kept upon mercantile principles; and exhibiting only general results in complex forms, between which and simple details, it is extremely difficult to institute a comparison, the auditor has endeavored to test the accuracy of the accounts now filed with the aforesaid accounts current. He finds they correspond substantially from the commencement to the entry of the 21st of August, 1819, inclusive, except in the particulars stated in the schedule herewith returned. The charge of \$394.70½, as of the first of July, 1821, is sustained by an entry in the day-book, folio 99; and the charge of \$1,381.02¼, as of the first of May, 1823, is sustained by an account formerly exhibited, and an entry on the day-book, folio 124, for \$1,381.85. The remaining charges from the 21st of August, 1819, are not sustained by vouchers. The auditor has, nevertheless, for the present, adopted the claimant's statement and allowed interest from the 10th of August, 1824.

The claimant has also exhibited another statement; in which he adopts the balance stated to be due by the company's ledger, folio 55; reserving to himself the liberty of shewing errors, which, he alleges, exist to a considerable amount. The auditor has restated the claim upon those principles as claim No. 16. In the first place the claimant adds to the balance, appearing due on the books, the amount of additional expenditures since the last entry therein;