

AUCTION DUTIES.

The receipts from the Auction Duties for the year, were \$14,793.44; they appear in detail in *Table No. 4* of the Appendix. The proceeds of these Duties, in accordance with the Act of 1853, chapter 266, have been placed to the credit of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, and by them applied to the deepening of the channel in the Patapsco river.

NORTHERN CENTRAL RAILWAY COMPANY.

The State has received from this Company, during the fiscal year, \$90,000, paid in accordance with the provisions of chapter 260, of the Acts of Assembly of 1854.

BALTIMORE AND OHIO RAILROAD COMPANY.

During the fiscal year this Company paid into the Treasury \$119,923.11, on account of one fifth of the receipts from passengers on the Washington Branch Road. These receipts are unusually large, but the amount for one quarter and some arrears on a portion of the road should have been embraced in the returns of the preceding year. The dispute (which was referred to in the Report for 1858) concerning the capitation tax on that portion of the road which lies between Baltimore city and the Relay, was happily settled at the instance of the President of the Company, who prevailed upon the Directors to rescind their former resolution.

The dividends received from the Road in the fiscal year were \$70,068.00, an increase of \$20,568. These figures prove the flourishing condition of that great Public Work.

SUSQUEHANNA AND TIDE-WATER CANAL COMPANIES.

These Companies paid on account of interest during the year ending the 30th of September, 1859, \$68,000, leaving a balance against them on that year of \$3,444.54. This is a decided improvement upon 1858, but there is still due from them arrears amounting in the gross to \$95,504.48.