

in conformity with the requisitions of the law on that subject. The sum remaining in the treasury, on the first day of the present month, (the end of our fiscal year,) is very nearly the same as at the end of the last year, although payments to a considerable amount have been made for other purposes than the ordinary current demands of the year.

In the course of the summer we caused further examination to be made into the accounts of expenditures during the late war, and obtained an allowance and payment by the United States, of \$10,424, 49 cents on account of principal, and \$4,980 59 cents interest on that sum, making together \$15,405 8 cents. A considerable balance yet remains unliquidated for want of vouchers.

The foreign relations of the country and many other important concerns, deeply interesting to the people of Maryland, in common with those of our sister states, being committed by the Constitution of the United States to the superintendance and management of the national authority; and having full confidence in the ability, experience, patriotism and integrity of the distinguished statesmen to whom that authority is confided, we shall not step from our limited sphere of action, to examine minutely into those general concerns.

We have the gratification of knowing, generally, that we are in the enjoyment of peace with