

In addition to that aggregate, it has appeared from documents in the executive department, that the state lottery No. 3 was also drawn on the 31st March, 1825,

180,000

That the Consolidated Lottery No. 3 for account of Cohen, will be drawn on the 15th day of February next,

308,000

And that the 8th class of P. Canfield's lottery will be drawn also in February next,

784,000

 1,272,000

Making, together, the further amount of one million two hundred and seventy-two thousand dollars, over and above the amount exhibited by the lottery commissioners, and composing a gross aggregate of

\$2,314,330

And, considering, that the lotteries contained in the report of the Lottery Commissioners commenced on the 25th day of January 1825, and that those of Cohen and Canfield will be concluded in all the month of February next, the whole time may be taken as thirteen months, and abating one-thirteenth part from the gross aggregate of

\$2,314,330

Say one thirteenth part of \$2,314,330,

0,178,025

And there will remain as the amount of drawings for the year, two millions one hundred and thirty-six thousand three hundred and five dollars,

\$2,136,305

It will be understood that the foregoing calculations are based upon the lemma that the entire schemes of Cohen and Canfield, will have been sold and completed within the times proposed by them for their respective drawings. That anticipation may not be realised, but from the superior credit of the state's lotteries, it may be believed, that under proper arrangements for frequent drawings, and from the exclusive attention of the commissioners, being devoted to that service, their operations might be extended to an annual amount of, but little short of, two millions of dollars, and perhaps more. And computing the average of gain at ten per centum the result would be at, or near to, two hundred thousand dollars, from this branch of the public revenue.

The committee are warranted in anticipating an average gain of ten per centum, as the amount reserved upon the prizes is fifteen. and the maximum of allowance on the sales of tickets is five per centum, and as that allowance will be graduated according to the *quantum* of the several sales, the effect of that graduation might prove sufficient to cover the salaries and compensations of the commissioners, and their clerk, and pay the charges of the different drawings.

Having taken into consideration the vast involution of capital in the contemplation of the proposed system, and the obvious policy of inspiring the highest grade of faith and confidence in the state's lotteries, the committee have paid a due regard to the requisition and continuance of adequate security from the agents entrusted with this concern; and as the labour and attention necessary to a due discharge of the various duties to be imposed, will be greatly increased, the committee have contemplated a commensurate increase of compensation. And, in other respects, with a view to the protection of the public interest, they have