

The committee also examined the vouchers for expenses of the office for 1843, and found them correct, and a statement shewing the items and amount accompanies this report marked D. The committee find that there is standing to the credit of the State on the books of the Loan office, the sum of \$6,722²⁸/₁₀₀, which had been deposited by the Treasurer of the Western Shore to redeem a part of the stock issued under chapter 184, of December session 1835, and held by the General Government in trust for the Chickasaw Indians, and which had been refused to be received at the time, and the amount of which stock was afterwards deducted under the directions of the Secretary of the Treasury Department, from the State of Maryland's proportion of the proceeds of public lands, and the certificate surrendered to the Commissioner of Loans, and was amongst the cancelled certificates burned by the committee.

The committee cannot close this report without expressing their opinion of the faithful and diligent performance of his official duty by the Commissioner of Loans; and also state, that every facility was offered by him and the officers of the Bank where the Loan office is held, for a thorough investigation of the books and accounts.

The committee would remark that in the statement marked D, is contained all the expenses of the Loan office, from the time of the appointment of the present officer up to January 1st, 1844, and which the committee are informed are still due and owing by the State.

All which is respectfully submitted,

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On the part of the Senate.

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