

INTERESTING OFFICIAL PAPERS.

REPORT

From the Secretary of the Treasury, in compliance with a resolution of the Senate, showing the amount of appropriations made by acts passed at the last session of Congress, &c. &c.

THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, JULY 6, 1836.

Sir: I have the honor to report on the several matters contained in a resolution of the Senate, passed June 25th, 1836, in the following words:

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Treasury be directed to report to the Senate on the 4th day of July as follows:

- 1. The amount of outstanding appropriations of former years, unexpended on the 1st of January, 1836, and chargeable upon the present year.
2. The amount of permanent appropriations chargeable on the present year.
3. A detailed list of the acts of a general or public nature passed at the present session of Congress, and the amount appropriated by each act.

And if the said report cannot be made before the adjournment of Congress on the 4th of July, then to be received by the Secretary of the Senate, and one thousand extra copies thereof to be printed and distributed as other public documents.

1. In answer to the first inquiry concerning the amount of outstanding appropriations of former years, unexpended on the 1st of January, 1836, and chargeable upon the present year, I have to remark that it was \$3,726,990.

2. The amount of permanent appropriations chargeable on the present year is ascertained and computed to be \$3,913,670.

As part of this amount depends on estimates, a schedule is annexed of each act, and the sums already paid, and those expected to be paid, under each act.

3. A detailed list of the acts of a general or public nature, passed at the present session of Congress, and the amount appropriated by each act, is annexed.

The sums appropriated are in several cases indefinite and uncertain, but have been estimated from the best data available. They will amount in the aggregate, as ascertained and computed, to \$37,571,018.

4. A statement of the number of private bills passed at the present session, and the aggregate amount appropriated by them, is subjoined.

The whole number of such bills has been 289, and the amount appropriated by them, as ascertained where certain, and as computed where uncertain, is \$220,000.

5. The amount drawn from the Treasury during the present year, up to the 30th of June, 1836, and exclusive of the Chickasaw fund, is \$11,281,177.

6. The amount in the Treasury subject to draft, excluding the Chickasaw fund and unavailable assets, was on the 27th of June, 1836, by the Treasurer's report, \$26,652,464.

7. The amount of revenue expected to be received during the remainder of the year is \$16,000,000.

Should the receipts from lands continue to be unusually large, this estimate may be too low; whereas, if they fall off very much, it will prove too high.

It is impossible to attain any great degree of certainty at this time. If any thing is received from the bank stock of the United States, the amount of revenue may be increased to that extent above the preceding estimate.

From the above reply to all the inquiries in the resolution of the Senate, the general results, presented in a condensed form, are as follows:

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DEBATE IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

REMARKS OF MR. RUSSELL, (OF NEW YORK.)

On the bill for the admission of Michigan as a State into the Union:

In Committee of the Whole on the state of the Union, at eleven o'clock at night, June 8, 1836.

Mr. RUSSELL addressed the Chair as follows:

It is with reluctance, Mr. Chairman, that I rise at this late hour of the night to propose several amendments to the bill under consideration; and, in the first place, I wish to amend it so as to prevent the admission of Michigan as a State into the Union; but, on the contrary, I look forward with peculiar satisfaction to the period when Michigan will stand forth with her sister States of the North, and exhibit the proud pre-eminence which their domestic policy secures to them.

Sir, while I assure you the bill, in its present form, cannot receive the sanction of my vote, I desire to be understood as entertaining no hostility to the admission of Michigan as a State into the Union; but, on the contrary, I look forward with peculiar satisfaction to the period when Michigan will stand forth with her sister States of the North, and exhibit the proud pre-eminence which their domestic policy secures to them.

Sir, I insist that no such right exists, and that the exercise of it by the Territorial Council and Convention in Michigan was without authority, and in direct violation of the Constitution of the United States.

From the documents upon your table, Mr. Chairman, it appears that an act was passed by the Legislature of the Territory of Michigan, in January, 1835, entitled "An act to enable the people of Michigan to form a Constitution and State Government."

By the 2d section it was enacted "that the free white male inhabitants of the said Territory, above the age of twenty-one years, who shall reside therein three months immediately preceding the 2d section of April, 1835, be, and are hereby, authorized to choose delegates to form a Constitution," &c.

This act calling the convention extended the privilege of voting for delegates to the Convention to all citizens, as well as to free persons of color, and to all persons of African descent who were entitled to vote at the election for delegates to the convention for the Constitution now presented to us, and which Constitution, by this bill, we are to ratify and confirm.

Living as we do under a Government of laws enacted under the authority of, and controlled by, a written Constitution of express and limited powers, and jealous as we are of the exercise of unlimited power, it will become us to examine the nature and extent of the powers conferred upon the Convention by the Constitution of Michigan, and determine whether it does not directly impinge the Federal Constitution.

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Table with 4 columns: Name of inhabitant, Number of inhabitants, Name of inhabitant, Number of inhabitants. Lists names like Hamilton, Hamilton, Hamilton, etc.

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