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OFFICE OF COMPTROLLER OF THE TREASURY, }  
TRENTON, February, 18, 1871. }

*To the General Assembly:*

I have been furnished a certified copy of the following resolution passed in your Honorable Body:

“*Resolved*, That the Comptroller of the Treasury report to this House an account in detail of all moneys expended or paid by the State in any way, for survey, maps, salaries, fees of counsel or otherwise, and all other charges for the last ten years, connected with the claim of the State as riparian owner.”

In compliance with the foregoing resolution, I beg leave to make the following report, embracing all the expenditures of the State on the above accounts, to the present time:

There were no expenses incurred by this State, connected with the claim of the State as shore owner, previous to the year 1864. On the 11th day of April, in that year (Pam. Laws, 1864, p. 681), an act was approved, entitled “An act to ascertain the rights of the State and of the riparian owners in the lands lying under the waters of the bay of New York, and elsewhere in the State.” By the 6th section thereof, each commissioner appointed by virtue of said act received five dollars for every day actually employed by him in the duties of his appointment, and his actual traveling expenses when absent from his residence. Nothing was paid out of the treasury in that year on this account.

In 1865, Robert C. Bacot was paid the sum of thirteen hundred and ninety-nine dollars, being the amount of items 80 and 110 of the Incidental Bill of that year. The bill failed to become a law in that year, but the payments made by the Treasurer, of the items contained therein, were legalized by a subsequent act. (Pam. Laws, 1866, p. 177.)

On the 15th of March, 1865, (Pam. Laws, 1865, p. 350), there was appropriated a sum not to exceed eleven thousand dollars, to defray the costs and expenses incident to the commission appointed under the act of 1864, above mentioned.

On the 31st of March, 1869, (Pam. Laws, 1869, p. 1017), a supplement to the original act was approved. By the 9th section

thereof, an appropriation is made of a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars annually, for all the expenses of the commission authorized by the act.

The above include all the laws authorizing expenditure of money for the charges embraced in the subject matter of the above resolution.

The following is an account in detail of all moneys paid out of the State Treasury in pursuance of these several acts or any of them :

1865.			
March 22,	Jacob R. Wortendyke, for dues and disbursements.....	\$2,278 45	
"	Francis S. Lathrop, " " " ".....	1,888 75	
"	John L. N. Stratton, " " " ".....	503 00	
"	John Liom, " " " ".....	498 00	
"	James T. Crowell, " " " ".....	493 75	
"	James B. Dayton, " " " ".....	496 00	
"	R. C. Bacot, Engineer.....	2,300 52	
"	E. H. Saunders, ".....	200 00	
"	Walter S. Oliphant, Secretary.....	646 28	
"	W. S. Johnson, Secretary of State, transcripts, copies of maps, &c.....	151 25	
"	David A. Depue, legal services.....	100 00	
"	Peter Katzenbach, hotel bill.....	103 50	
			\$9,659 50
July 14,	J. R. Wortendyke, President, for payment of 10 miles of survey, less amount paid for soundings.....	\$750 00	
"	R. C. Bacot, expenses at Trenton, &c.....	55 00	
			805 00
Nov. 23,	C. J. Parker, for copying notices, serving, &c....		10 00
May 2,	R. C. Bacot, for printing and covering with muslin 900 copies of maps of survey for use of House of Assembly, as per Resolution, March 22, 1865.....	974 00	
"	R. C. Bacot, for preparing and covering with muslin 150 copies maps of survey for Senate, as per Resolution, March 23, 1865.....	425 00	
			1,399 00
Dec. 30,	Isaac B. Culver, for ascertaining shore front, &c.....	439 40	
"	J. R. Wortendyke, President, amount paid for expenses of engraving and printing maps, accompanying report to the Legislature.....	1,051 98	
1869.			
April 8,	Henry C. Pitney, services as counsel for Harsimus Cove Commissioners.....	1,000 00	
"	Daniel Haines, services as Commissioner for Harsimus Cove.....	500 00	
10	Charles S. Olden, ditto.....	500 00	
21	George M. Robeson, services and expenses for Commissioners.....	561 75	
"	Charles S. Olden, for expenses.....	11 50	
"	Daniel Haines, ditto.....	99 95	
"	S. S. Post, services as civil engineer.....	350 00	
"	Henry C. Pitney, for expenses.....	81 85	

1869.			
April 21,	Mallory & Miller, for drawing maps.....	\$30 00	
"	Geo. W. Cassidy, copies of deeds.....	52 40	
"	Levi W. Post, services and expenses.....	278 78	
May 11,	Chas. E. Elmer, services as per Resolution.....	525 00	
1870.			
Jany. 26,	Paid F. S. Lathrop, Chairman, for the following disbursements made by him :		
"	J. W. Amerman, printing.....	\$49 50	
"	Post & Camp, surveyors.....	500 00	
"	Daily Times, Jersey City, Notice.....	2 25	
"	Post & Camp, surveys.....	124 50	
"	R. C. Bacot, sundry bills.....	80 12	
"	J. Payne, engrosser.....	22 00	
"	Root & Anthony, stationery.....	9 00	
"	Copy of Acts and Supplements.....	10 50	
"	J. Payne, engrosser.....	18 36	
"	Two copies Harbor Commissioners' report.....	10 00	
"	J. Payne, engrosser.....	7 81	
"	Dan Capam, engrosser.....	50 00	
"	J. W. Amerman, printing.....	45 00	
"	P. Miller, lithographer.....	114 00	
"	Post & Camp, map and surveys.....	208 00	
"	J. Payne, engrosser.....	16 25	
"	P. Miller, lithographer.....	140 00	
"	J. Payne, engrosser.....	11 50	
"	R. C. Bacot, engineer.....	540 00	
"	Expenses of steam boats, and use of/rooms, hotel bills, &c., from April 21, 1869, to date.....	383 25	
"	F. S. Lathrop, attendance as Commissioner, 28 meetings.....	140 00	
"	Peter Vredenburg, ditto, and expenses.....	143 00	
"	Charles S. Olden, ditto, and expenses.....	168 80	
"	B. F. Randolph, ditto, and expenses.....	154 00	
			2,947 84
Nov. 9,	Cortlandt Parker, services as counsel for Riparian Commissioners, from October 4, 1869, to date..	1,675 00	
	Total expenses.....		\$21,978 95

Since the foregoing statement was written, another resolution upon the same subject, passed by your Honorable Body, has been sent to me by the Clerk, but the information called for thereby is included in the report herewith rendered. No payments have been made in the year 1871.

All which is respectfully submitted,  
 WM. K. McDONALD,  
 Comptroller.

