

accomplished Commissioner, is apparent to all having business with the office.

Table No. 10, shows the amount of interest paid into the Treasury by Collectors and Sheriffs, during the fiscal year, to be in the aggregate, \$7,644.39.

Table No. 11, shows the receipts in the Treasury during the fiscal year, from taxes on protests, to be \$4,773.50.

Table No. 12, shows the aggregate receipts from Sheriffs for fines and forfeitures, interest and excess of fees, to be \$12,037.87.

FOREIGN INSURANCE COMPANIES.

The revenue derived from licenses to Foreign Insurance Companies during the fiscal year, is exhibited in detail, in Table No. 13, and aggregates the handsome sum of \$72,034.35. This amount exceeds the receipts from the same source, for the fiscal year, 1872, by the sum of \$17,970.89, and exceeds the amount received in 1871, by the sum of \$38,588.67, showing an increase of annual revenue, since the establishment of the Insurance Bureau, in this office, of one hundred and fifteen per cent., after payment of the expenses of the Bureau. I herewith transmit to your Honorable Bodies, a copy of the second annual report of the Insurance Commissioner, exhibiting a carefully prepared statement, in detail, of the affairs of every Insurance Company, foreign and domestic, doing business in this State. This report contains a large amount of statistical information, which will be highly useful, to those who are interested in the relative financial strength and reliability of the different Companies.

Table No. 14, shows the amount of taxes for the year 1873, due from Collectors of State taxes, in the several counties and city of Baltimore, at the end of the fiscal year, to be \$442,959.96.

Table No. 15, exhibits a list of balances due the State, from Collectors for various years, ranging from 1843 to 1872 inclusive, amounting to \$483,668.99. The old claims mentioned in this table are in the hands of the different State's Attorneys, for collection, and quite a number have been closed during the last fiscal year. In order to facilitate the settlement of some of these claims, it is of importance that the Comptroller shall be able to go himself or send an agent to the different counties, to confer with the State's Attorneys, in regard to the best mode of procedure, to procure the payment of the amounts due.

Table No. 16, shows a list of balances due from various Sheriffs, for a long series of years, amounting to \$26,241.14, exclusive of in-