

bacco warehouse number one, destroyed by fire," &c. Claims have been filed by two of the clerks, viz, Jeremiah Kenney and Thomas J. Talbot, accompanied with proof of services performed, &c., but no definite action was arrived at, until since the close of the fiscal year. These claims have been since audited and paid, the claim of the former to the amount of \$600.00, and that of the latter to the amount of \$498.00.

STATE HOUSE OF CORRECTION.

This institution which has been in progress of erection for some time, was completed and handed over to the Board of Public Works and Attorney General on the 13th of November last. It is a commodious structure and is believed to be one of the strongest and most substantial prison buildings in the United States.

The structure consists of the main building and one wing, being so built as to admit of the addition of another wing, when the demand for it shall become apparent. It is not believed to be necessary that the Legislature should contract another debt, to enlarge it at the present time.

Nearly the whole of the proceeds of the loan authorized for the purpose, together with the money received from the policy of insurance on the dwelling house on the premises, which was destroyed by fire, has been exhausted in its erection, and the small balance yet in the Treasury, on this account, will be required to settle some outstanding expenses. A considerable sum will be necessary to furnish the building and provide heat, water and light, so as to fit the institution for the reception of prisoners.

REPAIRS ON THE STATE HOUSE.

By the Act of 1876, Chapter 194, appropriations were made for sundry repairs on the State House, amounting in the aggregate to the sum of \$32,000.00. These repairs, which by the Act were placed under the control of the Board of Public Works, were commenced in the spring of 1877.

The repairs had hardly commenced, before it was ascertained by the architect, that the foundation of the building was insecure, and that other repairs would be necessary besides those contemplated in the act. To attempt to repair the