

authorizing the same. At the close of the fiscal year, viz: September 30th, 1907, there was to the credit of the State the sum of \$1,364,881.24, or a sum less by \$152,000.54 than the year previous.

This balance of \$1,364,881.24 appears large, indeed is, in comparison with the total revenue of the State, and for fear that the figures may mislead you, I am led to submit the following statement in order that you may be advised as to the proper and legal charges against this Balance:

Balance in Treasury.....		\$1,364,881 24
Due Public Schools.....	\$471,035 24	
Due Loans, Bonds sold.....	25,366 87	
Due Tobacco Warehouses.....	269,030 60	
Due Oyster Fund.....	3,544 21	
		<u>768,976 92</u>
Balance applicable for ordinary expenses.....		\$595,904 32

FREE SCHOOL FUND.

Statement "E" will exhibit in detail the receipts and disbursements on account of this Fund, while the stock or investment account will be found in statement "F-A." The receipts for the year, including the balance from the previous year, aggregate the sum of \$84,046.09, while there was disbursed to Baltimore City and the several Counties the sum of \$74,248.19, leaving a balance to the credit of this fund of \$9,797.90.

SINKING FUNDS.

These funds are fully exhibited in statements "E" and "F," and to them a careful examination is respectfully invited. Every dollar that came into the Treasury for their account was duly credited and invested, so that no loss of interest accrued by a cash balance being carried into the next fiscal year, while all of the investments made were in the securities of the State. A condensed statement is herewith submitted:

\$162,300 00	Consolidated Loan of 1899, costing.....	\$157,569 82
248,000 00	Penitentiary Loan, redeemed.....	248,000 00
69,000 00	Public Buildings Loan, costing.....	69,104 17
<u>\$479,300 00</u>	Total.....	<u>\$474,673 99</u>

You will observe in said statement that \$248,000 of the Penitentiary Loan was redeemed, the same having become due January 1, 1907. This represents the remainder of the \$500,000 issue, \$252,000