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GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

Before performing the duty which it is my duty to perform, I have the honor to transmit to you information of the affairs of the Commonwealth, and to recommend such measures to your consideration as are deemed necessary and expedient.

Our grateful acknowledgments are due to the Beneficent Author of all good for the continued prosperity and well-being which every where prevails.

Our country has not emerged from the trials and dangers of an unrighteous rebellion and entered upon a period of important national struggle.

In consequence of the lapse of time since the remaining claims were contracted, the want of sufficient vouchers for the same, and the difficulty of finding the parties, some of them being dead by whom they should be made, render their settlement difficult.

One of the most important duties devolving upon the Legislature is the consideration of the public finances.

The report of the State Treasurer shows that the balance in the Treasury Nov. 30, 1867, was \$1,711,693 27.

Ordinary expenditures during the fiscal year ending Nov. 30, 1867, were \$1,711,693 27.

Balance in Treasury Nov. 30, 1867, \$1,711,693 27.

Of which the Treasurer reports as applicable to the payment of overdue loans the sum of \$2,937,978 55.

Balance 1,723,871 91.

Amount of the State debt on Nov. 30, 1867, \$35,622,652 16.

Unfunded debt, viz: Relief bonds in circulation \$6,625 00.

Table with 2 columns: Date and Amount. Includes September 31, 1866, and Reverts in fund for year ending Sept. 31, 1867.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Includes Disbursements, Paid interest, Loans redeemed, Premiums, and Domesticated.

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under the present system of placing, and the control of the funds of the State in his hands.

The expenses for the six months from December 1, 1867, to June 1, 1868, are estimated by the Superintendent, as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Includes Education and maintenance of 1,500 children in advanced schools.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Includes Education and maintenance of 500 children in primary schools.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Includes Education and maintenance of 1,050 children in "homes."

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Includes Clothing 1,500 children at \$20 per annum.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Includes Transferring pupils, salaries, etc.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Includes Estimate for six months, ending June 1, 1868.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Includes Total actual and estimated expenses for seven months.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Includes For at the rate of \$119,925 per annum.

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to the State. The Legislature, availing itself of these facts, should adopt a bill which should have the effect of increasing and regulating the voluntary militia.

The law of 1861, though excellent in many respects, does not meet the requirements of the present time.

Education and maintenance of 1,500 children in advanced schools, at \$119,925 per annum.

Education and maintenance of 500 children in primary schools, at \$119,925 per annum.

Education and maintenance of 1,050 children in "homes," at \$119,925 per annum.

Clothing 1,500 children at \$20 per annum, or \$30,000.

Transferring pupils, salaries, etc., at \$3,975 00.

Estimate for six months, ending June 1, 1868, at \$24,975 00.

Total actual and estimated expenses for seven months, ending June 1, 1868, at \$67,355 02.

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and express their opinion relative to the matter, and to the propriety of the proposed amendment.

The accumulation of our public debt, during a period of nearly two centuries, can hardly fail to present a confusion which it is evidently desirable to correct.

The task is one of more than ordinary magnitude, requiring deliberation and care, and the Legislature, in the discharge of this duty, should be guided by the principles of justice and equity.

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