

## STATE OF THE FINANCES.

## communicated to the senate, october 25, 1803.

In obedience to the directions of the act supplementary to the act, entitled "An act to etsablish the Treasury Department," the Secretary of the Treasury respectfully submits the following report and estimates:

The annual nett proceeds of the duties on merchandise and tonnage, had, in former reports, been estimated at nine millions five hundred thousand dollars. That estimated revenue, predicated on the importations of the years immediately preceding the late European war, and on the ascertained ratio of increase of the population of the United States, appears, from the experience of the two last years, to have been underrated. The nett revenue arising from that source, which accrued during the year 1802, exceeds ten millions one hundred thousand dollars. The revenue which has accrued during the two first quarters of the present year, appears, from the best estimate that can now be formed, to have been only fifty thousand dollars less than that of the two corresponding quarters of the year 1802; and the receipts in the treasury, on account of the same duties, during the year ending the 30th September last, have exceeded ten millions six hundred thousand dollars. Those facts afford satisfactory evidence that the wealth of the United States increases in a still greater ratio than their population, and induce a belief that this branch of the public revenue may now be safely calculated at ten millions of dollars.

From the statement A, it will appear that the same revenue, for the two last years of the late European war, ( 1800 and 1801) calculated at the present rate of duties, averaged $11,600,000$ dollars a year; but, although it might, with some degree of probability, be supposed that the renewal of hostilities will again produce a similar increase, no inference from that period is drawn in this report, in relation to the revenue of the ensuing years.

The statement B shows the several species of merchandise on which the duties on importations were collected, during the year 1802, the portion of that revenue which was derived from drawbacks, and that which arose from the extra duty on merchandise imported in foreign vessels.

Although the sales of the public lands, during the year ending on the 30th day of September last, were affected by the situation of the Western country, two hundred thousand acres have been sold during that period; and, as it appears by the statement C, that, independent of future sales, the sums already paid to the Receivers, together with those which, exclusively of interest, fall due during the three ensuing years, amount to $1,250,000$ dollars; the annual revenue arising from the proceeds of those sales, cannot be estimated at less than four hundred thousand dollars.

The extension of post roads, and the acceleration of the mail, whilst diffusing and increasing the benefits of the institution, have, as an object of revenue, rendered it less productive. The rectipts from that source have amounted, during the last year, to 27,000 dollars; but, as neither these, nor those arising from some other smaller incidental branches, are of sufficient importance to effect any general result, the whole existing revenue of the United States will be computed at only ten millions four hundred thousand dollars.

The permanent annual expenses of government, which, under existing laws, must be defrayed out of that revenue, amount to nine milliotis eight hundred thousand dollars, to wit:
1st. The annual appropriation of $7,300,000$ dollars, for the payment of the principal andinterest of the
debt; of which about three millions and a half are at present applicable to the discharge of the prin-
cipal, and the residue to the payment of interest,
$\$ 7,300,000$
2d. The current expenses of Government, which, according to the estimates for the year 1804,
consist of the following items, viz:
For the civil department, and all domestic expenses of a civil nature, -791,000
For expenses attending the intercourse with foreign nations, including the permanent.appropriation for Algiers, and all other expenses relative to the Parbary Powers
For the Military and Indian departments,
For the Naval establishment, calculated on the supposition that two frigates and four smaller vessels shall be kept in commission, . - - . . 6

2,500,000

And deducted from the permanent revenue of
9,800,000
Leave a surplus revenue of six hundred thousand dollars, applicable to other objects.
$\$ 600,000$
The following extraordinary resources and demands, not being of a permanent nature, are not included in that calculation, to wit:
The specie in the treastiry, which, on the 30th day of September last, amounted to
The arrears of the direct tax, estimated at -
5,860,000
$\begin{array}{lllll} & - & - & - & -\quad 250,000\end{array}$
And the sum which will be repaid to the United States on account of advances heretofore made in Eng
land, for the prosecution of claims, estimated at, -
150,000

Constituting an aggregate of more than six millions six 'hundred thousand dollars, which, after reserving the sum which it is necessary to keep in the treasury, will be sufficient to discharge the demands due on account of the convention with Great Britain, and amounting to
Sundry extraordinary expenses in relation to the conventions with France and GreatBritain, estimated at - - - - - - - - -
The loan obtained from the State of Maryland for the city of Washington, amounting to
000
nd also to pay two millions of dollars on account of the purchase of Louisiana; being the same sum which was reserved for the purposes contemplated by the law of the last session, appropriating that amount for the extraordinary expenses attending the intercourse with foreign nations.

2,000,000
4,964,000
It appears by the estimate D , that, during the year ending on the 30th September last, the payments from the treasury, on account of the public debt, have amounted to

- 3,096,700

1,320,000
Makes an actual difference in favor of the United States, of more than four millions four hundred thousand dollars during that year,
The payments on account of the principal of the public debt, from the 1st day of April, 1801, $\overline{\text { to }}$ the $30 \overline{t h}^{-}$ day of September, 1803, have amounted, as appears by the estimate E , to

4,416,700
The specie the treasury on the 1st day of April, 1801, amounted to to -r - 1794000 And on the 30th day of September, 1803, to

Making an increase of
Those two items constitute an aggregate of -
From which deducting the extraordinary resource arising from the sales of the bank shares, which produced,

9,924,004

4,066,000
13,990,004

Leaves, for the amount of the true difference, -

1,287,600
12,702,404

In favor of the United States, for that period of two years and a half, a sum of twelve millions seven hundred thousand dollars.

From that view of the present situation of the financial concerns of the United States, it seems that the only question which requires consideration, is, whether any additional revenues are wanted in order to provide for the new debt, which, if Congress shall pass the laws necessary to carry the treaty with France into effect, will result from the purchase of Louisiana.

The sum which the United States may have to pay by virtue of that treaty, amounts to fifteen millions of dollars, and consists of two items: 1st, 11,250,000 dollars payable to the Government of France, or to its assignees, in a stock bearing an interest of six per cent., payable in Europe, and the principal of which will be discharged at the treasury of the United States, in four instalments, the first of which shall commence in the year 1818. 2 dly , a sum which cannot exceed, but may fall short of, $3,750,000$ dollars, payable in specie at the treasury of the United States, during the course of the ensuing year, to American citizens having claims of a certain description on the Government of France.

It has already been stated that two millions of dollars may be paid from the specie now in the treasury, on account of the last item; and the whole amount of the new debt which may eventually be created, cannot, therefore, exceed thirteen millions of dollars, the annual interest of which is equal to 780,000 dollars; but, on account of commissions and variations of exchange, will be estimated at eight hundred thousand dollars:-

The existing surplus revenue of the United States will, as has been stated, be sufficient to discharge six hundred thousand dollars of that sum; and it is expected that the nett revenue collected at New Orleans will be equal to the remaining two hundred thousand dollars. That opinion rests on the supposition that Congress shall place that port on the same footing as those of the United States, so that the same duties shall be collected there, on the importation of foreign merchandise, as are now, by law, levied in the United States, and that no duties shall be collected,
either on the exportation of produce or merchandise, from New Orleans to any other place, nor on any articles imported in the United States from the ceded territories, or into those territories, from the United States.

The statements F, G, H, exhibit the annual exports and imports of the United States, to and from Florida and Louisiana, for the years 1799 to 1802; and the statement G particularly shows, that the exportations from the Atlantic States to those colonies, of articles, not of the growth, produce, or manutacture, of the United States, amounted, for the three years, 1799,1800 , and 1801, to $6,622,189$ dollars, making an average of more than two millions two hundred thousand dollars of foreign articles liable to pay duty, annually imported into Florida and Louisiana from the United States alone.

It is ascertained that the exportations from the United States to Florida are so trifling that that statement may be considered as applying solely to New Orleans; and it is also known, that almost the whole of those importations were consumed within that colony; and that, during the war, the supplies from the United States constituted by far the greater part of its imports.

From thence itresults, that the annual importations into the ceded territory, of articles destined for the consumption of its own inhabitants, and which will, under the revenue laws of the United States, be liable to pay duty, may safely be estimated at two millions five hundred thousand dollars; an amount which, at the present rate of duties, will yield a revenue of about 350,000 dollars.

From that revenue must be deducted 150,000 dollars, for the following items, viz:
1st. The amount of duties on a quantity of sugar and indigo, equal to that which shall be imported from New Orleans to the United States, as those articles, being imported free from duty, will diminish, by so much, the revenue now collected in the seaports of the United States. The whole amount of sugar exported from New Orleans is less than $4,000,000$ of pounds, and that of indigo is stated at about 30,000 pounds. Supposing (which, on account of that exemption, is not improbable) that the whole of those articles should, hereafter, be exported to the United States, the loss to the revenue will be about 100,000 dollars.

2d. No increase of expense in the military establishment of the United Statesis contemplated on account of the acquisition of territory; but the expenses of the civil administration of the province, and those incident to the intercourse with the Indians, are estimated at 50,000 dollars: leaving for the nett revenue derived from the province, and applicable to the payment of the interest of the new debt, 200,000 dollars, as above stated. The only provisions, which, if that view of the subject be correct, appear necessary, and are respectfully submitted, are, ist, in relation to the stock of 11,250,000 dollars, to be created in favor of the Government of France, or of its assignees.

That that debt be made a charge on the sinking fund, directing the Commissioners of the fund to apply so much of its proceeds as may be necessary for the payment of interest, and reimbursement or redemption of the principal, in the same manner as, by the existing laws, they are directed to do in relation to the payment of interest and discharge of the principal of the debt now charged on that fund.

That so much of the duties on merchandise and tonnage as will be equal to seven hundred thousand dollars, being the sum wanted to pay the interest of that new stock, be added to the annual permanent appropriation for the sinking fund, making, together with the existing appropriation, eight millions of dollars, annually applicable to the payment of the interest and principal of the public debt.

And that the said annual sum of eight millions of dollars remain thus pledged, and be vested in the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, in trust for the said payments, until the whole of the existing debt of the United States and of the new stock shall have been reimbursed or redeemed.

As a sum, equal to the interest accruing on the new stock, will thus be added to the sinking fund, the operation of that fund, as it relates to the extinguishment of the existing debt, will remain precisely on the same footing as has been heretofore provided by Congress. The new debt will neither impede or retard the payment of the principal of the old debt; and the fund will be sufficient, besides paying the interest on both, to discharge the principal of the old debt before the year 1818, and that of the new within one year and a half after that year.

2 d . In relation to the American claims, the payment of which is assumed by the convention with France.
That a sum not exceeding $3,750,000$ dollars, inclusive of the two millions appropriated by a law of the last session of Congress, for defraying the extraordinary expenses incident to the intercourse with foreign nations, be appropriated for the payment of those claims, to be paid out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

That, for the purpose of effecting the whole of that payment, the President of the United States be authorized to borrow a sum not exceeding $1,750,000$ dollars, at an interest not exceeding six per cent. a year.

And that so much of the proceeds of the duties on merchandise and tonnage, as may be necessary, be appropriated for the payment of the interest, and for the reimbursement of the principal of the loan, which may, eventually, be effected by virtue of the preceding provision.

It is not proposed to charge that loan on the sinking fund, because its amount, in case it shall be effected, cannot, at present, be ascertained; and because it may, perhaps, under the then existing circumstances of the treasury, be found more expedient not toborrow the money, and, in lieu of it, to pay, out of the sinking fund, the whole, or a part of the two last instalments, payable by virtue of the convention with Great Britain, as authorized by the act making provision for the payment of the whole of the public debt.

It is evident that the possibility of thus providing for the payment of the interest of a new debt of 'thirteen millions of dollars, without either recurring to new taxes, or interfering with the provisions heretofore made for the payment of the existing debt, depends on the correctness of the estimate of the public revenue which has been submitted. Although it is not without diffidence that the hope of such favorable result is entertained, some reliance is placed on the solidity of the basis on which the estimate is grounded. It rests, principally, on the expectation that the revenue of the ensuing year shall not be less than that which accrued during the year 1802. No part of it depends on the probable increase which may result from the neutrality of the United States during the continuance of the war in Europe, nor even on the progressive augmentation, which, from past experience, may naturally be expected to arise from the gradual increase of population and wealth. Nor has that effect been taken in consideration, which the uninterrupted free navigation of the Mississippi, and the acquisition of New Orleans, may have, either on the sales of the public lands, or on the general resources of the inhabitants of the Western States.

All which is respectfully submitted.
ALBERT GALLATIN, Secretary of the Treasury.
A.

A Statement exhibiting the amount of duties which accrued on Merchandise and Tonnage; of debentures issued on the exportation of Foreign Merchandise; of payments for bounties and allowances and for expenses of collection, during each of the years 1800, 1801, and 1802.

| Years. | Duties on |  |  | Debentures issued. | Bounties and allowances. | Gross revenue. | Expenses on collection. | Nett revenue. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Merchandise. | Tonnage. | Passports and Clearances. |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Dolls. Cts. | Dolls. Cts. | Dollars. | - Dollars. | Dolls. Cts. | Dolls. Cts. | Dolls. Cts. | Dolls. Cts. |
| 1800 (a) | 16,003,779 77 | 143,523 71 | 14,804 00 | 5,249,282 | $106,17866$ | 10,806,646 82 | 440,373 62 | 10,366,273 20 |
| 1801 (b) | 20,594,331 48 | 188,147 79 | 18,238 00 | 7,819,093 | 103,107 30 | 12,878,516 97 | 482,772 70 | 12,395,744 27 |
| 1802 | 14,741,566 95 | 160,424 70 | 13,862 00 | 4,197,256 | 133,978 07 | c 10,584,619 58 | 484,018 06 | 10,100,601 52 |



Statement A.-Continued.
A. Statement of the amount of American and Foreign Tonnage, respectively employed in foreign trade, for each of the years 1800, 1801, and 1802, as taken from the records of the Treasury.

| - Years. | American tonnage in foreign trade. | Foreign tonnage. | Total amount of tonnage employed in the foreign trade of the United States. | Proportion of foreign tonnage to the whole am't of tonnage employed in the foreign trade of the United States. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1800 | \$682,871 | \$123,882 | \$806,753 | 15.4 to 100 |
| 1801 | 849,302 | 158,365 | 1,007,667 | 15.7 to 100 |
| 1802 | 787,301 | 143,366 | . 930,667 | 15.4 to 100 |

Treasury Department, Register's Office, October 24, 1803.
JOSEPH NOURSE, Register.
B.

A Statement exhibiting the value and quantities, respectively, of merchandise, on which duties actually accrued, during the year 1802, (consisting of the difference between articles paying duty, imported, and those entitled to drawback, re-exported) and also, of the nett revenue which accrued during that year, from duties on merchandise, tonnage, passports, and clearances.


Explanatory Statements and Notes.
(a.) Spirits, viz: Grain, 1st proof,
1st proof,
2d do
3d do
4th do
5th do
6th do

648,624 gallons, at 28 cents,

| 108,909 | 29 | - |
| ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 5,670 | 31 | - |
| 57,914 | 34 | - |
| 1,389 | 40 | - |
| 5,696 | 50 | - |


| - | - | $\$ 181,61472$ |
| :--- | :--- | ---: |
| - | - | 31,58361 |
| - | 1,77770 |  |
| - | 19,69076 |  |
| - | - | 25560 |
| - |  | 2,84800 |




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| Stàternent of the Land sold in individuals, | istricts amoun | Mrarietta of paym | Steubenville, | Chillicothe, | and Cincin | from <br> the ba | $\text { ctober, } 18$ | 2, to 30th | ber, 1803; er, 1802, | wing also the 1 st of $O$ | e amount ber, 1803. | of receipts from |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| , i | mands | sow. | In the hands | Due by indi- | nxemers nx | eceiters frour | mivivipuars | paxmurs ur | necrums. |  |  |  |
| mistaicts. | A |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | due 1st Oct. |
|  |  | money. |  |  | On account of purchase. | Onaccount of surv'g fees. | Amount of forfeitures. | Into the Treasury. | Commissions and expenses | By individuals. | By Receivers. |  |
| Marietta, from 1st Oct. 1802, to |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1st July, 1803, - - - | 2,826.37 | 5,652 74 | 10787 | 9,796 33 ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | ${ }^{1} 1,98606$ | 4200 | 4700 | 10720 |  | 13,463 00 $\frac{1}{2}$ | 2,07465 | \$15,537 65 ${ }^{\frac{1}{2}}$ |
| Steubenville, - | 79,121.55 | 158,243 10 | 83,227 86 | 380,120 25 | 121,51973 | 76500 | 7000 | 56,641 16 | 1,460 951 | 416,843 62 | 140,392 891 | 557,236 $51 \frac{1}{2}$ |
| Chillicothe, | 34,368.47 | 68,736 94 | 49,283 078 | 272,672 09 | 49,964 41 | 33800 |  | 16,831 $87 \frac{1}{2}$ | $870{ }^{\circ}$ | 291,444 62 | 81,883 54 | 373,328 16 |
| Cincinnati, | 82,764.25 | 165,528 50 | 65,736 55 | 277,639 81 | 72,529 38 | 1,005 62 | 10500 | 102,194 54 | 1,100 63 | 370,638 93 | 36,081 $38 \frac{1}{2}$ | 406,720 32 ${ }^{\frac{1}{2}}$ |
|  | 199,080.64 | 398,161 28 | 198, $35535 \frac{1}{2}$ | 940,228 472 | 245,999 58 | 2,150 62 | 22200 | (a)175,774 7712 | 3,432 $73 \frac{1}{2}$ | 1,092,390 172 | 260,432 47 | 1,352,822 653 |
| a.) Paid in | the Treasu | , in stock, t | ansferred to | the Commissio |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| D | to, | in specie, | 30th June, 1 | 803, by warra | ints on the $R$ | ceivers, |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | tor, | $\mathrm{my}_{\mathrm{my}}$ | ditto $^{\text {a }}$ | ditto, | on the 'Tr | easurer, | - | - |  | $20,14694$ |  |  |
| Amoun | per quarter, | early statem | ent of receipts | and expendi | itures, |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Payme | by Receiv | rs, to be cove | red by warran | ts, |  | - | ; | - | - | 130 | $\text { ,58261 } 633_{2}^{2}$ |  |
| Deduct | neys paid | the Treasu | er of the Uni | ted States, not | yet stated in | the accounts | of Receiver | S, - | - - | 185 9 | $\begin{array}{ll} , 735 & 57 \frac{1}{2} \\ , 960 & 80 \end{array}$ |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | \$175 | ,774 777 |  |

Statement C—Continued.
Estimate showing when the instalments which compose the balance due by individuals will become payable.

| districts. | Remaining due for 1803. | Becoming due in 1804. | Becoming due in 1805. | Becoming due in 1806. | Becoming due in 1807. | тоtal. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Marietta, Steubenville, Chillicothe, Cincinnati, | \$1,681 01立 | 4,162 94 | 4,601 $65 \frac{1}{2}$ | 2,244 26 | $77313 \frac{1}{2}$ | \$13,463 00 ${ }^{\text {2 }}$ |
|  |  | 138,158 40 | 161,187 65 | 89,958 75 | 27,538 82 | 416,843 62 |
|  | 15,187 48 | 107,035 01 | 124,824 65 | 30,021 98 | 14,375 50 | 291,444 62 |
|  | 23,349 86 | 125,019 98 | 146,831 89 $\frac{1}{2}$ | 60,288 10 | 15,149 09를 | 370,638 93 |
|  | \$40,218 35 ${ }^{\frac{1}{2}}$ | 374,376 33 | 437,445 85 | 182,513 09 | 57,836 55 | \$1,092,390 171 |

Total sales of Land, from the opening of the Land Offices to 30th September, 1803.

From the opening of the Land Offices to 1st November, 1801,
From 1st November, 1801, to 1st November, 1802,
Amount, as above stated,
Deduct sales in October, 1802, included in statement for 1802,

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|  |  | Acres. 100ths. |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| - | - | $398,646.45$ |
| - | - | $340,009.77$ |
| - | $199,080.64$ | $18,012.21$ |$\frac{181,068.43}{\text { Total acres, }}$| $919,724.65$ |
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JOSEPH NOURSE, Register.
D.

An estimate of the Principal redeemed of the Debt of the United States, from the 1st October, 1802, to the 30th September, 1803.


Treasury Department, Register's Office, October 22d, 1803.
JOSEPH NOURSE, Register.

## E.

An estimate of the Principal redeemed of the Debt of the United States, from the 1st April, 1801, to 30th September, 1803 .


## Note to Statement $E$.

| From the amount of debt redeemed from the Ist April, 1801, to the 30th September, 1803, amounting, as per this statement, to: <br> Deducting the amount redeemed, from 1st October, 1802, to 30th September, 1803, amounting, as per statement $D$, to | : - | $\begin{array}{r} \$ 2,924<00471 \\ 3,096,70069 \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Leaves the amount redeemed, from 1st April, 1801, to 30th Sept | - | 6,827,304 02 |
| The Secretary of the Treaswry, in his repart of the 16th December, 1802, states the amount redeemed, during the same period, exclusivelyr of $1,287,600$ dollars, bamk debt, discharged out of the proceeds of bank shares, at To which, adding the ampunt of bank debt thas discharged, | $\begin{array}{r}\$ 5,339,886 \\ 1,287,600 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |  |
| Makes an aggregate of - | $\checkmark$ | 6,627,486 4, |
| Making a difference between this statement and that of the Secretary, | - | \$199,817 58: |
| Arising as follows |  | - |
| I. The Searetary, in his neport of December 18, 1801, did, note include the following items of debt, discharged between the 1st April, and 30th September, 1801, to witw | - | - |
| 1st. Payments to foreign officers, and omaccount of certain parts of the domestic debth | 17,7.52 23 |  |
| 2d. Payment on account of the principal of the domestic debt, by the reimburse-ment of three per cent. on the nominal amount of the six per cent. and deferred |  |  |
| stocks, <br> Which payment was exclusively of that to the trustees_of the sinking fund, of $\$ 129,04883$, stated by the Secretary in his report. | 142,271 28 | '" |
| 3d. Payment on accourt of the foreign debt, arising from his having estimated the interest accruing during these six months, at one half of that for the calendar year, viz: - - $\quad$ - $\quad$ - |  | - |
| Whilst the real interest accruing during said six months, was - 209,272 00. | 36,7.08 50 |  |
| II. The Secretary, in his report of 16th December, 1802, |  |  |
| 1st. Batimates, the interest aecrued on the domestic debt, from 1st October, 1801, to 30th September, 1802, at <br> By the Register's calculation, it amounted to | $\begin{aligned} & 3,470,25975 \\ & 3,464,726 \end{aligned}$ |  |
|  | 5,553 46 |  |
| 2d. He estimated the deduction on account of rate of exchange and bills in suit, at less than it really was, | 2,619 22 |  |
| III. The Register has inserted in the amount of this estimate, for a debt due to the United States, paid in stock, | $\cdots$ | 15133 |
|  |  | \$199,817 58 |

F.

Imports from Floridas and Louisiana, for the years ending on 30th September, 1799, 1800, 1801, and 1802.

| SPECIES of merchandise. | 1799. | 1800. | 1801. | 1802. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Value of goods, ad valorem, dolls. | 60,729 | \$26,631 | \$43,262 | \$76,268 |
| Do. wines, do. - | 8,306 |  |  |  |
| Madeira, sherry, \&c. gallons, | - | - | 1,463 | 1,753 |
| All other wines: - - | 2,527 | 6,748 | 1,971 | 5,360 |
| Spirits from grain, | 240 | - | 122 | 1,099 |
| Do. other materials, | 29,743 | - | 9,615 | 9,044 |
| Do. domestic produce, | - | 34 |  |  |
| Molasses, - - | 8,778 | 42,579 | 448 | 35,051 |
| Beer, ale, and porter, - - |  |  | 1,013 | 611 |
| Teas, - - pounds, | ${ }^{-}$ | - | 6,561 | 1,137 |
| Coffee, - - - | 12,011 | 6 | 30,622 | 100,934 |
| Chocolate, - | 4 | 1,500 | 150 | 1,170 |
| Sugar, brown, | 751,512 | 1,560,849 | 957,169 | 1,567,117 |
| Do. white, clayed, - | 22,030 | 16 | 7,623 | 9,134 |
| Do. lump, - | - | - | 2,231 | 474 |
| Do. candy and loaf, | - | - | 596 | 208 |
| Candles, tallow, - | - | - | 897 | 614 |
| Do. wax, - | - | - | - | 5 |
| Cheese, - | - | - | - | 65 |
| Soap, - | - | - | 2,828 | 10,862 |
| Pepper, - | - | - | 82 | 1,454 |
| Pimento, .- | 262 | - | - | 2,193 |
| Tobacco, (say cigars) - | 181 | 752 | 1,243 | 1,878 |
| Snuff, - - | - | 4,504 | 5 | 21 |
| Indigo, | 65,016 | 136,257 | 47,740 | 60,062 |
| Cotton, | 842,200 | 1,615,265 | 2,228,945 | 1,921,528 |
| Nails, - - | - | - |  | 2,330 |
| Lead, - - - - | 53 | 135 | 242,928 | 208,427 |
| Cordage tarred, - cwt. | 53 |  |  |  |
| Do. untarred, - | - | 25 |  |  |
| Twine and packthread, | - | - | - | 1 |
| Salt, glauber, - | - | - | 1 |  |
| Do. - - pounds, | - | , - | 176,286 | 143,687 |
| Do. - - bushels, | 4,232 | 5,370 | 4,421 | 2,733 |
| Coal, - - . | - | - | - | 306 |
| Boots, - - pairs, | - | 1 | 5 | 1 |
| Shoes, - - - | - | - | 548 | 148 |
| Cards, wool and cotton, dozens, Do. playing, | - | - | 7 18 | 78 595 |
| Total value, Dolls. | 507,132 | 904,322 | 956,635 | 1,006,214 |

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G.

Value of the Exports of Foreign and Domestic Produce to Floridas and Louisiana, from the Atlantic States, for the years ending on 30th September, 1799, 1800, 1801, and 1802.

|  | 1799. |  | 1800. |  | . 1801. |  | 1802. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Foreign. | Domestic. | Foreign. | Domestic. | Foreign. | Domestic. | Foreign. | Domestic. |
| Massachusetts, - | 74,630 | 5,767 | 19,482 | 13,992 | 215,686 | 38,990 | 222,768 | 47,819 |
| New York, - | 2,188,038 | 357,101 | 928,085 | 125,662 | 649,477 | 33,132 | 449,519 | 50,267 |
| Pennsylvania, | 221,635 | 25,933 | 404,806 | 49,096 | 496,064 | 33,335 | 200,178 | 19,546 |
| Delaware, - | 6,240 | 6,502 | 29,065 | 4,561 | 9,001 | 1,546 | 5,006 | 1,772 |
| Maryland, | 216,165 | 10,928 | 193,258 | 15,657 | 224,389 | 5,947 | 93,998 | 12,517 |
| Virginia, - | 96,961 |  | 61,903 | 4,067 |  | - | - | 1,711 |
| North Carolina, - | $\cdots$ | 1,813 | - | 2,174 | 176 | 1,207 |  |  |
| South Carolina, - | 244,449 | 31,253 | 158,528 | 14,235 | 176,001 | 23,047 | 68,338 | 14,124 |
| Georgia, - | 8,150 | 8,527 | - | 11,218 | - | - | 14,793 | 22,554 |
| Dolls. | 3,056,268 | 447,824 | 1,795,127 | 240,662 | 1,770,794 | 137,204 | 1,054,600 | 170,110 |

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H.

Exports to Floridas and Louisiana, for the years ending on the 30th September, 1799, 1800, 1801, and 1802.


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## REMISSION OF DUTIES.

## COMMUNICATDD TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATVVES, NOVEMBER 14, 1803.

Mr. Samuel L. Mitchill, from the Committee of Commerce and Manufactures, to whom was referred the petition of William McAuley and John McJimsey, in behalf of the ministers and elders of the Associated Reformed Church, in North America, made the following report:
The petitioners state, that, contemplating the establishment of a seminary for instructing young men in Christian theology, they have imported a collection of books for the sole use of the library of their seminary; their value is two thousand three hundred and sixty-three dollars, and they have been entered at the custom house in New York. The petitioners hope, that, from the encouragement of Christian literature, Congress may remit the duties payable thereon, in consideration of the infancy of the institution, and the smallness of the funds.

To allow the prayer of this petition, would, in the opinion of the committee, involve the Legislature in an act of partiality, or render it necessary to exempt from impost, by a general provision, all books of instruction for young men who destine themselves for the Christian ministry. But, while a sincere regard is shown for this species of literature, it ought to be remembered that the Government must be supported, under which those excellent studies may prosper; and that, to this great end, the friends and promoters of that noble cause have never incurred the suspicion of unwillingthess to contribute their moderate proportion.

The committee feel a persuasion that the petitioners ought to have no objection to render unto the Government the same duties which their fellow citizens of all other denominations pay, and that they would rather make an exertion to raise a little more money for this purpose, than implicate the Government in the charge of favoritism, by allowing to them, what is refused to the people, generally, or of inducing it to surrender the impost upon all similar importations of books, by an universal regulation.

It is, therefore, submitted, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw their petition.

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## DRAWBACK.

## COMMUNICATED TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, NOVEMBER 14, 1803.

Mr. Samoel L. Mytchile, from the Committee on Commerce and Manufactures, to whom was referred the memorial of Thomas Ketland, of the City of Philadelphia, made the following report:
The committee, on inquiry, learm that the petitioner, a merchant and citizen, purchased a foreign built ship, in partnership with two other persons, stated to be also citizens. The vessel was bought in June, 1\%99, in London, and sailed, in the ensuing September, for Philadelphia; during her passage she was damaged in an action with a French ship of war, and obliged to repair to Lisbon, in distress. By this misfortune she was detained so lons, that she did not reach the river Delaware until May 4th, 1800. Afterward, to wit, in July, 1800, she was despached on a voyage to Bataria, whence she returned in June, 1801, with a cargo of sugar and coffee. It is stated that the property of the said ship, called the Washington, has never been changed, except by the death of one of the original partners, and that the title now remains entirely in the two survivors.

Such being the history and title of the ship, the following difficulty arose on the subject of a drawback, which the owners expected on the Batavian sugar and coffee, the whole of which they, afterwards, shipped in other vessels to Europe. They calculated on rekeiving the whole of the drawback, with the customary abatement of two and a half per cent. They were.disapointed, and the reason of their disapointment was this. On the 13 th of May, 1800, an act had been passed, nearly two months previous to the sailing of the ship, by which it was directed that no part of the additional duties, payable on goods, wares, and merchandise, imported in foreign ships, should be entitled to drawback on exportation. The collectors construed this section to include all untegistered vessels

