Duties on promissory notes, &c. Baltimore and Susquehanna Rail Road Tide Water and Susquehanna Canal companies	7,500 10,000 20,000
Deduct the annual ordinary revenue	\$430,574 116,000
The amount of interest to be paid on the 1st July, 1845, we have seen is	\$314,574
	257,544
Leaving a surplus of to make up the deficiency, should there be any, in	\$57,030 succeeding

quarters.

It is believed therefore that under present circumstances it would not be considered over sanguine or rash to assume, that the State may commence payment on the 1st of the ensuing July; but as the estimates founded upon the new revenue measures now about to be tried, may be too high, and as consequences deeply to be deplored, might follow the declaration of a purpose which may be frustrated, by subsequent events, it is deemed safer not to make any such positive declaration at this time. And it is suggested therefore, that if the General Assembly shall conclude to fund the interest, to the first of April, in the expectation of resuming payment on the first of July thereafter, that, authority shall be given to the Governor, the Treasurer, and the Commissioner of Loans, to do so, or not, according to circumstances.

The actual condition of the treasury at that time will be known to them, and some experience will then have been had, in regard to the productiveness and working of the measures of the present

Legislature.

All which is respectfully submitted, J. JOHNSON, Chairman.