

29 July 1837

Mr James Freshfield Jun.
attended the Committee, and read
Depositions against Thomas
Tho^s. Drew to Drew for uttering a forged £5.
he prosecuted for
uttering a forged Bank of England Note in
£5. Bank Note Gloucestershire, on which it was
in Gloucestershire

Ordered,

That the said Thomas
Drew be prosecuted. —

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Wednesday 1st Nov^r. 1837

Present

Mr. Forcher

Mr. Heath

Mr. Neave

Mr. Prescott

The Proceedings of
The last Committee were read

(4 aug.)

The trial and
conviction of
Tho^s. Drew re-
ported.

A Report was read
from Mess^{rs}. Freshfield & Son stating
the trial and conviction of Thomas

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Drew at the Gloucester Sumner. Wizes
for uttering a forged five Pound
Bank Note

The Chairman reported that
he had signed a recommendation
John Wood Deane's to the Governor on the 9th Aug: for the
Disbursements
Payment of John Wood Deane's dis-
bursements (£7.2.-) for attending at
Winchester on the trial and conviction
of John Abell for uttering a forged
ordered Payment £10. Bank of England Note.

The Chairman also stated
that he had signed a recommendation
to the Governor on the 24th Aug: for
Joshua Freeman's
Disbursements the Payment of Joshua Freeman's
Disbursements (£10.1.8.) for attending
at Gloucester on the trial and
conviction of Thomas Drew for
uttering a forged £5. Bank Note;
and for attending at The Old Bailey
on the trial of Mary Lyons, Thomas
ordered Payment Scanlan and Mary Murphy, for
uttering a forged £10. Bank Note,
who were acquitted.

The Governor having referred
to the Committee a Letter dated the 18th
Oct. 1837 from Job Cutler a Constable
of

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A Letter from
Jas Cutler of Bir-
mingham

of Birmingham claiming com-
pensation for Services stated to have
been rendered to the Bank by him in
respect to the detection of forged Bank
Notes - The Chairman stated that he
had directed the Letter to be shewn
to Mess^{rs} Freshfield & Son with
a request that they would report
their opinion on the merits of
the Case - and that the following
Report had been received from them
viz:

Reported on
by Mess^{rs}
Freshfield & Son

Mess^{rs} Freshfield beg to report
on the subject of the Letter of Jas
Cutler of Birmingham the accom-
panying correspondence with
Mr. Shurrier of Birmingham
in the year 1834 in reference to
that individual

"As Cutler threatens pub-
lication Letters should be
written to him recapitulating
the substance of our Letters to
Mr. Shurrier expressing the
desire of the Bank to bring to
Justice persons guilty of Forgery
and to adopt all proper measures
for that purpose and referring
to the offer made Cutler of 100
Guineas Reward.

"with

Mess^{rs} Freshfield
report on an
Application
of Mr. Hudson
on behalf of the
Estate of John
Bull.

"With reference to the application
from Mr. Hudson the Solicitor to the
Estate of John Bull Mess^{rs} Freshfield
beg to state that the Bank would
not be entitled in the case of Mr.
Bull being a Bankrupt to prove
under his Estate without giving
credit for any sum received
from other Parties to the Bill,
and if therefore the Bank concur
in the proposed arrangement
they must under the terms of
the Deed rank as Creditors for
the amount of the Bill deducting
the Dividend actually received
from White & Batt.

New Bank Buildings
24 October 1837,

In conformity with the
foregoing Report Mess^{rs} Freshfield
had been directed to prepare a Letter
to Cutler for the approval of this
Committee, which they had done
as follows viz:

Bank of England
1st Nov^r 1837

Sir

A Letter to Robt
Cutler, prepared
by Mess^{rs} Freshfield

"your Letter of the 18th Ult^o
has been laid before the Governors
and Directors of the Bank of England
who have directed me to reply to it
The

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"The Principal statement
contained in it. viz: that you have
"on various occasions offered to
"the Bank the means of detecting
"the fabrication of and dealing in
"forged Bank Notes and that they
"have neglected the opportunities
"afforded to them is entirely at
"variance with the fact. In
"consequence of your representations
"to the Bank they did on the
"apprehension of Custer & Smith
"in March 1833 bring you to
"London and employed you at
"a very considerable expence to
"the Bank in assisting to
"bring these parties to justice.
"It appeared however that you
"had really no knowledge of the
"Individuals or their Connections
"and were unable to afford any
"real assistance. Still the Bank
"remunerated you for the attempt.
"In the month of Feb^r 1834 you
"represented to the Bank that you
"could detect and bring to justice
"the Principal Engravers of forged
"Bank Notes, and so far from
"neglecting the occasion the Bank
"undertook to bear all the expence
and

"and pay you £105. upon your success,
 "but you could not or would not give
 "the names of the parties or the means
 "you proposed to employ for their
 "detection. About the same time
 "you were employed by the Mint
 "to detect the offenders, and having
 "failed in the attempt you accused
 "the Police of connivance and an
 "investigation took place by
 "the Magistrates in consequence
 "which negatived the charge.

"It is now therefore quite
 "impossible that you could be
 "usefully employed in an object
 "which requires the active co-ope-
 "ration of the Police.

"Your Letter has the appear-
 "ance of a threat to extort money.
 "If so, it will fail of its object
 "and after this explanation the
 "Bank will not feel called upon
 "to answer any further commu-
 "nications you may make

"I am,
 "Sir

"your obed^t. Serv^t.

"Wm. Job Cutler

"Lady Pool Lane

"Birmingham

(to be signed by
 The Secretary)

Resolved

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Resolved

Letter to Sab
Cutler agreed to
with the concurren-
ce of the Governor.

That the foregoing ^{proposed} Letter,
to be sent to Sab Cutler, be agreed
to, with the concurrence of the
Governor.

Letter dated the 13th
Feb. 1837 from Hudson
was returned to Mess^{rs}
Freshfield & Co. & Bull
was given to Mr. Lawrence

Application of
Mr. J. F. Hudson
on behalf of the
Trustees of the
Estate of John
Bull

In respect to the application
of Mr. Hudson of Bucklebury, Solicitor
to the Trustees of the Estate of John
Bull of Hill Mill, Sandbrook Cheshire
Receiver of a Bill for £361¹¹ 18⁰ -
discounted with White and Batt,
requesting that the Bank will
deduct the 6% in the £. received
from the Discounters and take
their Dividend on the Balance

The Committee considered
the foregoing report of Mess^{rs} Freshfield
Thornor - and having also heard
the opinion of Mr. Lawrence on
the case,

Resolved

Mr. Hudson's
proposal not
agreed to and
Mess^{rs} Freshfield
to demand pay-
ment in full

That the Bank cannot
agree to Mr. Hudson's proposal,
that Mess^{rs} Freshfield be directed
to write to that effect and demand
payment of the Dividend on the
full amount of the Bill.

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Mr Lawrence's List was laid
before the Committee and considered. viz:

John Davies's
request

John Davies of Dover Street
Silk Mercer acceptor of 10 Bills
amounting to £1502.19.8, discounted
with W. & G. Brunskill requests the
Bank will agree with all his other
Creditors to an assignment of his
effects in trust to Mr. Tho. Leamer
of Milk Street and Mr. Wm Tinkler
of Bond Street.

agreed to

The Committee agreed
thereto.

Mr. Lawrence was di-
rected to apply for payment to the
following parties. viz:

Rich^d Buller
to be written to
by Mr. Lawrence

To Richard Buller Esq. Merchant
of Philipott Lane, acceptors of a Bill
for £400. given as Collateral Security
for the payment of a quarterly Loan
advanced to Lancaster & Tozer amount^g
to £4000.

J. Lyne to be
written to by Mr.
Lawrence

To J. Lyne, Wine Merchant
of Trinity Square acceptor of a Bill
for £700. given as Collateral Security
for the payment of a quarterly Loan
advanced to Lancaster & Tozer amount^g
to £4000.

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To John Forster of Macclesfield
 John Forster Acceptor of 3 Bills amounting to
 to be written to £974⁷/₁₆ given as Collateral
 by M^r. Lawrence Security for the payment of a
 Quarterly Loan advanced to White
 and Batt, amounting to £4500.

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 Friday 24th Nov^r. 1837

Present,

M^r. Porcher

M^r. Heath

M^r. Neave

M^r. Prescott

The Proceedings of the
 Last Committee were read.

M^r. James Freshfield

Depositions as Jos^h. Smith for uttering 2 forged £5. Bank Notes in Middlesex
 Sun^r. attended the Committee and read Depositions against Joseph Smith for uttering 2 forged £5. Bank of England Notes in Middlesex.

said
 Joseph Smith
 to be prosecuted

Ordered

That the said Joseph
 Smith be prosecuted.

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Present,

Mr. Porcher

Mr. Heath:

Mr. Mildmay

Mr. Prescott

The Proceedings of the
last Committee were read.

Mess^{rs} Freshfield & Son's
Bill for Law Charges amounting
The Solicitors' Bill considered to £2908.2.- for the half year
ending the 30th September last,
having been taken into consideration,
and the following Abstract thereof
having been examined. viz:

Abstract

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Abstract of Mess^{rs} Freshfield & Son's Bill for 6 Months to 30th Sep^r 1837

Charges for	Business	Attendance	Fees to Counsel	Incidental Charges	Stamps	Total
Respecting the Appeal presented to the House of Lords by the London & Westminster Bank against the Order of the Master of the Rolls, and also proceedings in Chancery ag ^t the London & Westminster Bank.	177 ⁷ 4 ⁸	42 ¹⁶ 4	149 ⁵ -	125 ¹⁵ 9	£0 ¹ 5 ¹¹ -	495 ¹ 9
Chancery ----- (6 Suits) -----	29 ⁹ 2	15 ¹⁷ 8	13 ¹⁴ 6	17 ³ 10	6 ¹² 18	82 ⁵ 2
Exchequer ----- (40 Suits) -----	29 ¹³ -	25 ¹⁶ 8	1 ³ 6	4 ³ 10	18 ²² -	60 ¹⁷ -
Common Law --- (4 Suits) ---	79 ¹⁹ 10	41 ¹⁴ -	60 ³ -	59 ⁴ 6	29 ⁴⁰ -	241 ¹ 4
Criminal Prosecutions (4) --	261 ⁷ 4	163 ¹⁴ -	169 ¹³ -	410 ³ 3	41 ⁷⁶ -	1004 ¹⁷ 7
Measures to detect forgeries &c. -	9 ⁷ 6	17 ⁻ -	- - -	4 ⁷ -	77 ⁸⁴ -	30 ¹⁴ 6
Respecting Branch Banks -----	30 ⁵ 6	9 ¹³ 4	5 ¹⁰ -	7 ¹⁰ 5	114 ²² -	166 ¹⁹ 3
Respecting the Application of certain American Houses to the Bank for Assistance	116 ² 6	230 ¹³ 2	3 ⁴ 6	40 ¹¹ 9	52 ⁻ -	441 ¹¹ 11
General Business -----	189 ⁸ 4	105 ⁷ 8	31 ⁹ -	58 ⁸ 6	93 ⁸⁹⁴ 147 ⁶²⁹ -	384 ¹³ 6
Abstracted & Analyzed by	922 ¹⁷ 10	652 ¹² 10	433 ² 6	727 ⁸ 10	172 ⁻ -	2908 ² -
G. E. Gray Dep ^y M ^r Acc ^t	Deduct Money received by the Solicitors					187 ² 2
John P. Noble Assist ^t Acc ^t	including an overcharge of £4 ¹⁴ at p ^p 59 & 63					£ 2720 ¹⁹ 10

The Committee examined the Deputy Accountant, who stated, that the various items of charge in the Bill were all made according to the usual rate: And Mr. Freshfield Jun: having given his opinion as to the probability of costs of Suit and other Law Expenses, ^{being received} the following Report to the Court was agreed to. viz.

The Committee for Law Suits
Report to the Court of Directors

Report of the
Committee

For Law Suits. Miss^{rs}. Freshfield and Son's Bill for on the Solicitors Law Charges from Easter Term Bill for Law 1837 to the 30th Sept^r last amounting Charges to £2908.2.- and they find it to be composed of the following particulars.

viz. Expenses attendant on the appeal presented to the House of Lords by the London and Westminster Bank ag^t the order of the Master of the Rolls ----- £ 284.17.6

Ditto on proceedings in Chancery against the London & Westminster Bank 202.2.1

D^o in D^o respecting the Bill filed by the London & Westminster Bank against the Bank of England ----- 8.2.2

carried forward ----- £ 495.1.9

Brought forward — £495¹¹.9Expences Attendant on }
Six Suits in Chancery — } 82⁵.2D^o on 40 Suits in the Court of }
Exchequer, principally for pro- }
ceedings to remove restraints on }
Stock ————— } 60¹⁷.—D^o on 4 Suits at Common Law 241¹.4Expences attendant on four
Criminal Prosecutions, viz:1 Against Thomas Griffiths
Mainwright for forging
Powers of Attorney for the
sale of Stock ————— £346⁶.82 Against two Persons
for uttering forged Bank
Notes in Glouc^{ster} and
Gloucestershire — 277¹¹.111 Against Ch^{as}. Newman
a Clerk at the Birming-
ham Branch for
Embezzlement ————— 380¹⁹.— 1004¹⁷.7Expences Attendant on the
Measures taken to detect and
punish frauds and forgeries
on the Bank ————— 30¹¹.5Ditto respecting the purchase
of Premises and Ground &c.
at the Branches, viz:Newcastle — £76³.8Portsmouth — 14¹.—Birmingham 73¹¹.—— D^o ————— 3³.7 166¹⁹.3Carried forward — £2081¹⁶.7

Brought forward £2081¹⁶/₇
Expenses respecting the Application of certain American Houses to the Bank for Assistance, viz:

Mess^{rs} Geo: Wildes & Co £174¹⁶/₇

do do 119¹⁶/₅
£294¹²/₅

Mess^{rs} Tho: Wilson & Co }
& J: Wiggins & Co & others } 146¹⁹/₆

441¹¹/₁₁

Amount of the Solicitors Bills

General Business 384¹³/₆

30 Sept. 1835 £1534¹⁷/₉

Receipts 30⁴/₆

Balance £1604¹³/₃

Deduct Money received by

the Solicitors for Costs &c in

31 Mar: 1836 £1791¹¹/₄

Receipts 15²/₄

Balance £1745¹⁷/₇

Including £4¹/₄ - an overcharge - 187²/₂

Balance due to the Solicitors 2720¹⁹/₁₀

30th Sept. 1836 £1205³/₆

Receipts 84¹¹/₂

Balance £1120⁹/₄

In the foregoing Amount of

£2908²/₂ - the charge for drawing

briefs &c and other general

31 Mar: 1837 £1634²/₁₁

Receipts 52¹⁵/₁₁

Balance £1581¹⁴/₁₁

Business is 922¹⁷/₁₀

For personal Attendance 652¹²/₁₀

For Money advanced in 1575¹⁰/₈

Fees to Counsel £433²/₆

Incidental Expenses 727⁸/₁₀

Stamps 172²/₂

1332¹¹/₄

£2908²/₂

The increase in the Amount of the present Bill as compared with the four or five Bills immediately preceding, appears to have arisen from

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Proceedings consequent on
Coles's Forgery ~~~~~ £207..12..6

The Charge for Criminal
Prosecutions beyond such
Charge in the last Bill - 877..14..7

Respecting Branch Banks 166..19..3

Do. American Houses 441..11..11

£ 1693..17..3

In respect to the Charges con-
sequent on the Applications for
Assistance of the several American
Houses amounting to £441..11..11.

Mr. Freshfield having stated that
the Sum of £294..12..5. belongs to
the Account of and should be paid
by Mess^{rs} G. Wildes &c. the Committee
have directed the Chief Cashier to
place that Sum to the debit of
Mess^{rs} Geo. Wildes &c. and to
apportion the remaining Balance
of £146..19..6. to each of the other
American Houses respectively on a
final settlement of their Accounts.

The Committee have
examined the various items
composing the amount of Mess^{rs}
Freshfield's Bill, and the Deputy
Accountant having reported that
they have been made according
to

Balance recom-
mended to be
paid.

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to the usual rate of charge, they
recommend to the Court of Directors
that the sum of £2720. 19. 10. be
paid to Mess^{rs} Freshfield & Son,
being the balance of their present
Bill for Law Charges to the 30th
Sept^r last.

(Signed)

Henry Torcher
Chairman

Bank of England
13th Dec^r 1837

N. B. The above Report was
approved in Court on
the 14th Dec^r and the
Balance of the Bill
ordered payment.

A Report with
Mess^{rs} Freshfield's
correspondence
with the Solicitor
John Bull

A Report was read from
Mess^{rs} Freshfield dated the 12th Inst,
with accompanying correspondence
with the Solicitor of Mr. John Bull
in reference to the determination
of the Committee of the 1st ult^o
in which it is stated to be the
opinion of Mess^{rs} Freshfield that
the New Arrangement proposed
by Mr. G. D. Hudson the Solicitor
respecting the Bank's claim on
Mr. Bull's Estate, is not of such a
nature as the Bank ought to
agree to. The Committee approved thereof.

approved

22nd Dec^r 1837Friday 22nd Dec^r 1837

Present

Mr. Porcher

Mr. Mildmay

Mr. Neave

Mr. Prescott

The Proceedings of the
last Committee were read.Mr. Freshfield Jun^r

attended the Committee and read

Depositions read Depositions against George Penn,
ag^t George Penn, Mary Ann Jones, Joseph Howard
Mary Ann Jones, Joseph Howard &
W. G. Estellfor uttering several
forged £5 & £10. Notes
in Middlesex and
Surrey.

and William George Estell for

uttering several forged £5 & £10.

Bank of England Notes in
Middlesex and Surrey.

Ordered,

The said
George Penn
Mary Ann Jones
and
Joseph Howard
to be prosecuted
and the said
W^m Geo: Estell
not to be prosecutedThat the said George
Penn, Mary Ann Jones and
Joseph Howard be prosecuted:
and that the said William
George Estell be not prosecuted

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Present

Mr. Porcher

Mr. Heath

Mr. Neave

Mr. Prescott

The Proceedings of the last Committee were read

A Report was read from
Mess^{rs} Freshfield & Son stating the
Report of the
Conviction of James Howard and
James Howard and George Penn
George Penn - at the Central Crimi-
nal Court for uttering forged Bank
Notes — and the acquittal of Mary
and of Ann Jones who was prosecuted
the acquittal of for having forged Notes in her Pos-
session.
Mary Ann Jones

The Chairman signed a
Recommendation to the Governor
for the payment of £3.9. — to Joshua
Joshua Freeman's
Disbursements
to recommend Freeman, being the Amount of his
Disbursements and allowance for
Extra Services, in tracing forged Bank
Notes &c. &c. for the Months of November
and December last.

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The Committee proceeded with the Examination of Mr. Lawrence's Accounts of Discounted Bills and Notes unpaid, also the deposited quarterly Loan Bills unpaid, and having completed the same, the following Report thereon was made to the Court of Directors, viz:

Report to the Court on the overdue Discounted Bills & Notes unpaid.

also
the Quarterly Loan Bills unpaid.

The Committee for Law Suits Report to the Court of Directors

London
Accounts

That the Committee have investigated the Accounts of the overdue Discounted Bills and Notes unpaid, and it appears that the Balance of the Outstanding Debt (not written off to the Account of Profit and Loss) on the 30th June 1837 was £53,689, 6^s. 10. and in pursuance of the order of Court of the 27th July last the Sum of £3594, 7^s. 9 was carried to the debit of Profit & Loss, reducing the Balance to £50,094, 19^s. 1, which has been again increased up to 31st December last to £54,967, 11^s. 6 as will be shewn in the details.

There has been received in the last half year, upon the Accounts of Bankrupts or Insolvents, the Balances of which have from time to time

been

been carried to the debit of the Account
of Profit and Loss, the Sum of £1608.17.5
which has been placed to the credit
of that Account in the General Ledger.

The Balance on the 30th June
last of the Accounts which ac-
cumulated in the half year ending
the 31st Dec^r 1834 was — £1011.10.8

On which has been received
up to 31st Dec^r last — } 716.9.11
leaving the Balance — £ 295.1.9

The Balance on the 30th June
last of the Accounts which ac-
cumulated in the 1st year ending
the 30th June 1835, was £ 592.16.1

On which has been received
up to 31st Dec^r last — } 106.18.1
leaving the Balance — £ 485.18.1

The Balance on the 30th June
last of the Accounts which accu-
mulated in the 1st year ending the
30th June 1836 was — £ 281.5.9

On which has been received
up to 31st December last } 15.10.6
leaving the Balance — £ 265.15.3

As nearly the whole of the above
Balances are expected to be received,
the Committee do not recommend
any part thereof to be carried to the
Account of Profit & Loss.

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The Balance on the 30th June last of the Accounts which accumulated in the year ending the 31st Dec^r 1836 was — £5126^{..}6^{..}3

On which has been received up to the 31st Dec^r last — } 359^{..}12^{..}3
leaving the Balance — £4766^{..}14^{..}0

One Quarter of which is recommended to be carried to the debit of the Account of Profit & Loss, being — 1191^{..}13^{..}6
Balance remaining — £3575^{..}0^{..}6

The Balance on the 30th June last of the Accounts which accumulated in the half year ending at that Date, was £43,083^{..}0^{..}4

On which has been received up to 31st December last — } 15,208^{..}14^{..}4
leaving the Balance — £27,874^{..}5^{..}5

One Sixth of which is recommended to be carried to the debit of the Account of Profit & Loss, being — 4,645^{..}14^{..}2
Balance remaining — £23,228^{..}11^{..}3

There are 14 New Accounts of Insolvents since the 30th June last amounting to — £330,993^{..}9^{..}4

On which has been received up to the 31st Dec^r last — } 279,714^{..}1^{..}3
leaving the Balance — £51,279^{..}8^{..}1
which

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which Balance it is recommended
should remain for the present, the
Accounts having so recently occurred.

Recapitulation

	Balances out stand ^g . 30 June 1837	Receipts in the $\frac{1}{2}$ year ending 31 st Dec ^r . 1837	Balances out stand ^g . 31 st Dec ^r . 1837
Balance of the $\frac{1}{2}$ year ending 31 st December 1835 —	£1011 " 10 " 8	£716 " 9 " 11	£295 " " 9
Ditto 30 June 1835 —	592 " 16 " 1	106 " 18 " 1	485 " 18 " —
Ditto 30 June 1836 —	281 " 5 " 9	15 " 10 " 6	265 " 15 " 3
Ditto 31 Dec ^r . " —	5126 " 6 " 3	359 " 12 " 3	4766 " 14 " —
Ditto 30 June 1837 —	43083 " " 4	15208 " 14 " 11	27874 " 5 " 5
	<u>£50094 " 19 " 1</u>	<u>£16407 " 5 " 8</u>	<u>£33687 " 13 " 5</u>
New Accounts in the $\frac{1}{2}$ year end ^g . 31 st Dec ^r . 1837 —	£330.993 " 9 " 4	£279.714 " 1 " 3	£51.279 " 8 " 1
	Total Balance Outstanding 31 st Dec ^r . 1837 —		
			<u>£84.967 " 1 " 6</u>

And the following Sums having been
recommended to be carried to the debit of the
Account of Profit & Loss, viz:

$\frac{1}{4}$ of the Balance of the $\frac{1}{2}$ Year ending 31st Dec^r. 1836 — } £1191 " 13 " 6

$\frac{1}{6}$ of the Balance of the $\frac{1}{2}$ Year ending 30th June 1837 — } 4645 " 14 " 2

Amounting to £5837 " 7 " 8

The Balance outstanding (not written off to Profit & Loss) will be reduced to £79129 " 13 " 10

Branch
Bank
Accounts

As respects the Debt at the
Branches, — The whole Balance
unpaid prior to the 30th June last
having been written off to Profit
and Loss, it is only necessary for the
Com-

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Committee to remark that the Sum of £6000. 11 has been received in the half year ending the 31st Dec^r last at the Leeds Branch which Sum has been placed to the Credit of the Account of Profit and Loss in the General Ledger.

There are seven new Accounts of Insolvents at the Branches since the 30th June last amounting to - £ 9636. 8. 9
viz:

1 at Swansea - £ 2650. 14. 3

The whole of which } 2650. 14. 3. 2650. 14. 3
has since been received }

1 at Manchester - £ 241. 7. -

1 at Newcastle - £ 2000. - - -

On which has since } 1000. - - 1000. - - -
been received - - - }

leaving the Balance £ 1000 all
at Newcastle - - - - -

1 at Liverpool - £ 2000. - - - all

2 at Birmingham £ 2529. 12. - all

1 at Portsmouth £ 214. 15. 6

On which has since } 186. 8. 3. 186. 8. 3
been received - - - }

leaving the Balance £ 28. 7. 3 all
at Portsmouth - - - - -

Total received of the New debts £ 3837. 2. 6

leaving the Balance due at £ 5799. 6. 3
the Branches - - - - -

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Which the Committee recommend
should remain for the present, the
Accounts having so recently occurred.

Quarterly
Loan Accounts

Of the Quarterly Loan Bills

the Balance of the Amount
unpaid on the 30th June last was

£ 15.10/4. 3.5

On which has been
received up to the 31st Dec^r last

£ 4.99/9. 8.4

leaving the Balance outstanding £ 10.10/4. 15.1

One half of which is recom-
mended to be carried to the debit
of the Account of Profit & Loss.

being ————— 5052. 7. 6

Balance remaining — £ 5052. 7. 7

(Signed)

Bank of England

Henry Dockett

24 Jan^y 1838.

Chairman

H. B.

agreed to

in Court

25th Jan^y 1838

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6 Feb. 1838

Tuesday 6th Feb^y 1838

Present

The Chairman

The Solicitors having re-
ported that the prompt decision of
the

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Depositions
read ag^t Isaac
Ashton for utter-
ing 2 forged £5.
notes in Worcester-
shire.

the Committee was required on
Depositions taken against Isaac
Ashton for uttering two forged £5.
Bank of England Notes in Worcestershire.
Mr. Freshfield Jun^r was
consulted thereon, and it appearing
a strong Case for prosecution,
The Chairman,

Ordered,

to be prosecuted

That the said Isaac
Ashton be prosecuted.

And that the Case be
reported to the Committee at
the next meeting.

^{sh}
21st Feb^y 1838

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Wednesday 21 Feb^y 1838

Present,

Mr. Porcher

Mr. Heath Mr. Neave

Mr. Mildmay Mr. Prescott

The Proceedings of the
last Committee were read and
Confirmed.

Mr. Lawrence's List
was laid before the Committee,
and considered. viz: Francis

21th Feb^r 1838

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Francis Lyne's
request

Francis Lyne of Trinity Square
Wine Merchant acceptor of a Bill for
£650. given to the Bank as Collateral
Security by Lancaster & Tozer, requests
the Bank will consent, with his other
Creditors to accept a Composition
of $\frac{4}{5}$ in the £. to be paid in Cash.

agreed to

The Committee agreed thereto
on the usual Conditions.

Edward Snook of Poplar Ac-
ceptor of a Bill for £291.17.8 discounted
pleads Poverty with C. Richardson & Son, states, by his
Solicitors Mess^{rs} Grimaldi & Stables,
that he is now in confinement,
and that he has not one Guinea
either in Money or Property.

Sir R. Robuthnot's
request

Mr R. Henry Fielden on behalf
of Sir Robert Robuthnot, requests
the Bank will accept of $\frac{2}{3}$ in the
£. on his acceptance for £400. -
overdue about eleven years - given
to the Bank at that time by
James Wood & James as Collateral
Security for the payment of their
Composition.

agreed to.

The Committee agreed thereto.

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21st Feb^y. 1838

Depositions

read agst William

Taylor for uttering

a forged £5. Bank

Note in Staffordshire

Depositions were read against William Taylor for uttering a forged £5. Bank of England Note in Staffordshire, and the opinion of Mr. James Freshfield Jun^r having been taken thereon,

Ordered

not to be prosecuted.

That the said William Taylor be not prosecuted.

Depositions read

agst Henry Simmons

for uttering a forged

£5. Bank Note in

Staffordshire.

Depositions were also read against Henry Simmons for uttering a forged £5. Bank of England Note in Staffordshire, and the Committee having heard Mr. Freshfield Jun^r's opinion thereon,

Ordered

not to be prosecuted.

That the said Henry Simmons be not prosecuted.

14th Mar: 1838

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Wednesday 14th March 1838

Present

Mr. Porcher

Mr. Heath Mr. Neave

Mr. Mildmay Mr. Prescott

The Proceedings of the
Last Committee were read.

Depositions were read

Depositions against Thomas Ball for uttering
read agst Thos. Ball for uttering
a forged £10. Bank of England Note
in Warwickshire, and the opinion
England Note of Mr. James Freshfield Junr. having
in Warwickshire been taken thereon,

Ordered,

To be prosecuted.

That the said Thomas
Ball be prosecuted.

16th Mar: 1838

Friday 16th March 1838

Present

Mr. Porcher

Mr. Heath Mr. Neave

Mr. Mildmay Mr. Prescott

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16 Mar: 1838

The Depositions against Mr. Ball re-considered and the Minutes of the last meeting confirmed.

At the request of the Governor, who now attended the Committee, Depositions against Thomas Ball for uttering a forged £10. Bank of England Note in Warwickshire were reconsidered; Mr. Sarnes Freshfield Junr. was again consulted and various points were discussed; and it was ultimately determined to confirm the proceedings of the last Committee.

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5th April 1838

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"At a Court of Directors at the
"on Thursday the 5th April 1838

"The following Gentlemen
"were appointed for the year en-
"suing - A Committee for
"Law Suits, for the purpose of
"ordering what prosecutions
"shall be commenced, and giving
"such directions for the ma-
"nagement of them and the
"retaining of Counsel and Pre-
"ferring Indictments, as they may
"judge expedient; and also to
"consider the state of the unpaid
"Bills and Votes, agreeably to the
"recommendation of the Com^{ee}
"as approved by the Court the
"25th March 1808.

"Mr Pelly

"Mr Morris

"Mr Tearnse

"Mr Hantken

"Mr Smith

"John Watts

Sec^y

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26 April 1838

Thursday 26th April 1838

Present,

Mr. Pelly

Mr. Morris

Mr. Pearse

Mr. Lankey

Mr. Smith

The Proceedings of the
last Committee were read.

The Chairman reported that
he had signed a recommendation to the
Joshua Freeman's Governor on the 12th April for the
Disbursements recommended to be paid.
Payment of Joshua Freeman's
Disbursements viz. (£23.3.6.) for

attending at Worcester on the
trial and Conviction of Isaac Ashton
for uttering a forged £5. Bank of
England Note — and at Warwick
on the trial and conviction of
Thomas Ball for uttering a forged
£10. Bank of England Note.

The Committee approved thereof

A Petition
on behalf of
Jos. Howard
convicted of ut-
tering forged
Bank Notes

A Petition from Mary
Howard on behalf of her Son Joseph
Howard, who was convicted at the
Central Criminal Court in January
last for uttering forged Bank Notes
and sentenced to be transported for life,
having

having been referred to this Committee
by the Deputy Governor, the same was
read and considered, and it appearing from
a conversation with Mr. Freshfield Junr
that Howard was the most active
utterer of those with whom he was
prosecuted, the Committee

resolved,

not to interfere
Resolved

Not to interfere.

Depositions
read against
Thos. Rymer

Depositions were read against
Thomas Rymer for uttering two
forged £5. Bank of England notes
in Middlesex, and for being pos-
sessed of the copper plate from
which they were struck.

for uttering 2
forged £5. Bank
notes in Middlesex
and for being in
possession of the
copper plate

The Plate and notes together
with other papers found on the
Prisoners Room were produced,
and some questions having been put
to Mr. Freshfield Junr there on, it was

Resolved,

to be prosecuted

That the said Thomas
Rymer be prosecuted.

Mr. Lawrence's List was
laid before the Committee and
considered viz.

James

26th April 1838

James Lowndes of Newcastle
 Acceptor of a Bill for £450. due
 James Lowndes' 14th Inst^t, entreats the indulgence
 of the Bank for 10 days or a fortnight,
 request when he purposes paying £200. on
 Account, to M^r Grote the Bank
 Agent at Newcastle.

agreed to

The Committee agreed thereto.

John Bull

M^r G. F. Hudson, Solicitor
 to the Trustees of John Bull of
 Sandbach acceptor of a Bill for
 £361. 18. - discounted with White
 & Batt and on which the Bank have
 his request for received 6/8 in the £. from the
 the Bank to take a dividend
 on the amount
 now due Discounters — requests the
 Bank to accept 7 1/2 in the £.
 in cash on £253. 7. — being the
 amount now due.

The Committee referred to
 the former Minutes on Mr.
 Bull's case and Mr. Freshfield
 Jun: having been consulted on the
 Application, it was

Resolved,

accepted

That the same be accepted.

4th July 1838

Wednesday 4th July 1838

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Present,

Mr. Bally

Mr. Morris

Mr. Pearce

Mr. Stanley

Mr. Smith.

The proceedings of the last Committee were read.

Messrs. Freshfield & Son's
Bill for Law Charges amounting
The Solicitors to £2349¹⁷/₁₀ for the half year
Bill considered ending the 31st March last having
been taken into consideration, and the
following Abstract thereof having
been examined, viz:

Abstract

4 July 1838

The Committee examined the Deputy Accountant, and being satisfied with his Report as to the Charges having been made in the present Bill according to the usual rate, agreed on the following Report to the Court. viz:

The Committee for Law Suits Report to the Court of Directors

Report on the Solicitors' Bill for Law Charges

That they have investigated Mess^{rs} Freshfield & Son's Bill for Law Charges from Michaelmas Term 1837 to 31. March last, amounting to £2349. 17. 10. and they find it to be composed of the following Particulars. viz:

Expences attendant on
Six Suits in Chancery } £ 50. 19. 8

D^o respecting proceedings
against the London and
Westminster Bank — 18. 19. 8

D^o respecting the pro-
ceedings against the London
Joint Stock Bank — 179. 5. 2

Expences Attendant on
39 Suits in the Court of Ex-
chequer, for proceedings to
remove restraints on Stock — 50. 9. 8

D^o on four Suits at
Common Law — 39. 19. 8
carried forward — £ 339. 13. 10

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Report on the
Solicitors' Bill
continued

Brought forward — £ 339¹³/₁₀
Expences Attendant on
Criminal Prosecutions agth.

8 Persons. viz.

Against 1 Person for
forging an order on the
Bristol Branch — £ 175¹⁹/₁₀ —

Against 6 Persons
for uttering forged
Bank Notes — 721¹¹/₁₀ —

Against 1 Person for
uttering a forged Power
of Attorney for the Sale
of Stock —

487²/₁₀

1383¹²/₁₀

Amount of the
Solicitors' Bills

31 Dec. 1836 £ 1731¹¹/₁₀

Receipts — 15³/₁₀

Balance £ 1715¹⁷/₁₀

30 Feb. 1836 £ 1705³/₁₀

Receipts — 84¹¹/₁₀

Balance £ 1120⁹/₁₀

31 Mar. 1837 £ 1134⁹/₁₀

Receipts — 52¹⁵/₁₀

Balance £ 1586¹⁴/₁₀

30 Sep. 1837 £ 2908²/₁₀

Receipts — 187²/₁₀

Balance £ 2720¹⁹/₁₀

Expences attendant on the
Measures taken to detect
and punish frauds and
forgeries on the Bank —

33¹⁷/₁₀

Respecting the purchase
of the Site for the Ports —
mouth Branch Bank —

114⁹/₁₀

Expences attendant on
the measures consequent
upon the assistance afforded
to certain American Houses —

113¹/₁₀

General Business — 365²/₁₀

Deduct Money received by
the Solicitors for Costs &c. —

2349¹⁷/₁₀

11¹/₁₀

Balance due to the Solicitors £ 2338¹⁶/₁₀

In the foregoing Amount of £ 2349¹⁷/₁₀
the Charge for drawing Briefs &c. and other
general Business is — £ 620¹⁷/₁₀

For personal Attendance — 485¹⁷/₁₀
carried forward — £ 1106¹⁴/₁₀

Brought forward	£ 1106. 14. 7
For Money advanced in	
Fees to Counsel	£ 316. 5. 8
Incidental Charges	893. 6. 7
Stamps	33. 11. -
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	1243. 3. 3
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	£ 2349. 17. 10

The Committee do not consider it necessary to make any particular remark on the present Bill. The Amount is however not so great as that of the last half year, and the expence of £ 1383. 12. 10 for the Criminal Prosecutions appears less in proportion to the number than a similar charge in the last Bill.

The Charge for attending to the general Business of the House is also less.

In respect to the Sum of £ 113. 1. 7. an expence consequent on the applications of certain American Houses for Assistance, the Committee recommend that the Chief Cashier be directed to appropriate the same to the debit of each House respectively.

The Committee have examined the Deputy Accountant, and being satisfied from his Report, that the several charges have been made according to the usual rate, they

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Report on the
Solicitors' Bill
concluded.

recommend to the Court of Directors
that the Sum of £ 2338.16.6. — be paid
to Mess^{rs} Freshfield & Son, being the
Balance of their present Bill for
Law Charges to the 31st March last.

Bank of England
4th July 1838 (signed)

J. H. Pelly

ss. D. The above report was
approved in Court on the
11th July 1838 and the Ba-
lance of the Bill ordered
payment. —

Chairman

The Committee read a Petition,
referred to them by the Governor,
from Thomas Gline of Leek Staffordshire
Corn Dealer to make him some
for an allowance further Allowance beyond that
for prosecuting made by the County, for prosecuting
Wm Taylor at Stafford for to conviction, at the last Stafford
Spring Assizes, William Taylor
uttering a forged £5. Bank of
England Note for uttering a forged £5. Bank of
England Note

The Committee directed the
Secretary to write to the Petitioner
and desire him to send the Amount
to be written of his additional Expenses with par-
to for the sum^t ticulars, when the case will be
of Expenses and taken into consideration
particulars.

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Monday 16th July 1838

Present,

Mr. Pelly

Mr. Morris

Mr. Pearce

Mr. Hankey

Mr. Smith.

The Proceedings of the last Committee were read.

The Committee proceeded in the Examination of Mr. Lawrence's Accounts of Discounted Bills and Notes Unpaid, also of his Accounts of the deposited quarterly Loan Bills unpaid, and having completed the same, the following Report thereon was agreed to be made to the Court of Directors.

viz:

Report on the
the Discounted
Bills & Notes
Un

The Committee for Law Suits
Report to the Court of Directors

London

Accounts

That the Committee have
investigated the Accounts of the
overdue Discounted Bills and Notes
unpaid

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Report on the
discounted Bills
& Notes Unpaid
continued.

London

Accounts

Unpaid, and it appears that the Balance of the Outstanding Debt (not written off to the Account of Profit & Loss) on the 31st Dec^r. 1837 was £84,967, 1. 6. and in pursuance of the Order of the Court of the 25th Jan^y last, the Sum of £5837, 7. 8. was carried to the debit of Profit & Loss, reducing the Balance to £79,129, 13. 10. which has been further decreased up to the 30th June last to £47,989, 14. 10. as will be shewn in the details.

There has been received in the last half year, upon the Accounts of Bankrupts or Insolvents, the Balances of which have from time to time been carried to the debit of the Account of Profit and Loss, the Sum of £1097, 12. 6. which has been placed to the Credit of that Account in the General Ledger.

The Balance on the 31st Dec^r. last of the Accounts which accumulated in the half year ending the 31st Dec^r. 1834, was £295, 11. 9

On which has been received up to 30 June last — } 100. 15. —
leaving the Balance — £194. 5. 9

The Balance on the 31st Dec^r. last of the Accounts which accumulated in

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in the half year ending the 30 June
1835, was £485.18.⁰⁰
On which has been received up
to 30th June last } - 53.15.2
leaving the Balance £ 432.2.10

The Balance on the 31st Dec^r
last of the Accounts which accu-
mulated in the half year ending the
30th June 1836 was £265.15.3
On which has been received
up to the 30th June last } - 28.4.5
leaving the Balance £ 237.10.10

As nearly the whole of the
above Balances are expected to be
received the Committee do not re-
commend any part thereof to be
carried to the Account of Profit & Loss.

The Balance on the 31st Dec^r
last of the Accounts which ac-
cumulated in the half year ending
the 31st Dec^r 1836 was £3575.11.6
On which has been re-
ceived up to the 30th June last } - 115.11.10
leaving the Balance £ 3459.15.8

£2000. of which is recom-
mended to be carried to the
debit of the Account of Profit
and Loss. viz: 2000.00.00

Balance remaining £ 1159.15.8

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Accounts
Continued

The Balance on the 31st Dec^r last
of the Accounts which accumulated
in the half year ending the 30th
June 1837 was ——— £23228, 11, 3

On which has been received
up to 30th June last — } 10941, 1, 3
leaving the Balance £12287, 10, —

The Balance on the 31st Dec^r
last of the Accounts which accu-
mulated in the half year ending
at that date was ——— £51279, 8, 1

On which has been received
up to 30th June last — } 21001, 15, 6
leaving the Balance £30277, 12, 7

There are three New Accounts
since the 31st Dec^r last amounting
to ——— £101539, 6, 11

On which has been re-
ceived up to 30th June last } 100138, 9, 9
leaving the Balance £1400, 17, 2

The Committee are informed
that the greater part of the above
Balances are expected to be received,
and they therefore do not recommend
that any portion thereof be at
present carried to the debit of the
Account of Profit and Loss.

Recapitulation

Balances

Recapitulation Balances Out - Receipts in the Balances (202
 London Accounts Standing 31 Dec^r 1837 1/2 year ending 30th June 1838 outstanding 30 June 1838

Balances of the 1/2 year ending 31 Dec ^r 1834	£ 295 ^{..} 9	£ 100 ^{..} 15 ^{..} -	£ 194 ^{..} 5 ^{..} 9
Ditto 30 June 1835	485 ^{..} 18 ^{..} -	53 ^{..} 15 ^{..} 2	432 ^{..} 2 ^{..} 10
Ditto 30 June 1836	265 ^{..} 15 ^{..} 3	28 ^{..} 4 ^{..} 5	237 ^{..} 10 ^{..} 10
Ditto 31 Dec ^r 1836	3575 ^{..} - 6	415 ^{..} 4 ^{..} 10	3159 ^{..} 15 ^{..} 8
Ditto 30 June 1837	23228 ^{..} 11 ^{..} 3	10941 ^{..} 1 ^{..} 3	12287 ^{..} 10 ^{..} -
Ditto 31 Dec ^r 1837	51279 ^{..} 8 ^{..} 1	20001 ^{..} 15 ^{..} 6	30277 ^{..} 12 ^{..} 7
3 New Accounts in the 1/2 year ending 30 June 1838	79129 ^{..} 13 ^{..} 10	£ 32540 ^{..} 16 ^{..} 2	£ 46588 ^{..} 17 ^{..} 8
	£ 101539 ^{..} 6 ^{..} 11	£ 100138 ^{..} 9 ^{..} 9	£ 1400 ^{..} 17 ^{..} 2

Total Balance outstanding on the 30th June 1838 £ 47,989^{..} 14^{..} 10

And the Sum of £2000. having been recommended to be carried to the debit of the Account of Profit & Loss from the Balance of the Account which accumulated in the 1/2 year ending the 31st Dec^r 1836. viz:

The Balance outstanding (not written off to Profit and Loss) will be reduced to £ 45989^{..} 14^{..} 10

Branches

As respects the Debt at the Branches, there has been received in the last half year, upon the Accounts of Bankrupts or Insolvents, the Balances of which have from time to time been carried to the debit of the Account of Profit & Loss, the Sum of £69^{..} 14^{..} which has been placed to the Credit of that Account in the General Ledger.

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Branches
Continued

The Balance of the Outstanding
Debt (not written off to the Account
of Profit and Loss) on the 31st Dec^r
1837 was £5799.6.3

On which has been
received up to 30th June last

viz:

At Newcastle £ 444. 8. 10

At Birmingham 1529. 12. 01974. 0. 10Balance Outstanding £ 3825. 5. 5

viz:

At Manchester £ 241. 7. -

Newcastle — 555. 11. 2

Liverpool — 2000. 0. 0

Birmingham 1000. 0. 0

Portsmouth 28. 7. 3£ 3825. 5. 5

The greater part of which
is expected to be received

Quarterly Loan
Bills

Of the Quarterly Loan Bills

The Balance of the Amount unpaid
on the 31st Dec^r last was £ 10104. 15. 1

1/2 of which was carried to the
debit of Profit & Loss pursuant
to the Order of Court of the 25th
Jan^r 5052. 7. 6

Reducing the Balance to £ 5052. 7. 7

On which has been
received up to the 30th June last 1414. 1. 1

Balance remaining £ 3638. 6. 6

Bank of England
16th July 1838

Signed J. H. Pelly
Chairman

An Account of the Expenses

The ² Hines incurred by Mr. Thomas Hine in
 expenses in the prosecution of William Taylor at
 prosecution of Stafford for uttering a forged £5. Bank
 from Taylor of England Note, was laid before
 at Stafford for the Committee as required at the
 Uttering a forged £5. Bank of England
 last meeting, by which the amount
 of the Solicitors Bill appeared to be
 £67. 17. 4

The Allowance by the County }
 deducted } 41. 7. -
 leaving an Extra Charge to Mr. Hine of } 26. 10. 4
 as well as a further claim on him
 of £19. 1. 9. from sundry parties
 which he has not yet paid.

The following opinion of Mr.
 Jas. Freshfield Jun: on Mr. Hines'
 application was then read, viz.

Mr. Jas. Freshfield
 Jun: opinion
 thereon

"If it were to be understood
 that the Bank will defray the
 Costs of Prosecution by Indivi-
 duals in Cases where they have
 declined to interfere, they will
 find themselves subject to a heavy
 charge, and will lose that Control
 which has hitherto been exer-
 cised by them over this Class of
 Offences, and has at all times

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"received high approbation from
"the Judges. —

"I think if Mr. Hine is paid
"£10. beyond what he has already
"received, it will be sufficient to
"indemnify him from every
"fair expence, and would submit
"that it should be sent to him
"direct"

(signed) "Jas. W. Freshfield Junr.
" 16 July 1838."

The Committee having taken
Mr. Freshfield's Opinion into con-
sideration, as well as all the other
circumstances connected with
the Case,

Resolved,

£20. to be given
to Thomas Hine
in full compen-
sation on the
part of the Bank
for the expence he has incurred
in the said pro-
secution.

That it be recommended
to the Governor to order the Sum
of £20. to be paid to Mr. Thomas
Hine as a full compensation
to him on the part of the Bank
for the expence he has incurred
in the said prosecution.

Resolved,

£13. gratuity to
be given to Thomas
Leigh - for recov-
ering debts owing
by the Estate of
Brickwood &c.

That it be recommended
to the Governor that a Gratuity of
Thirteen Pounds be given to Mr.
Thomas Leigh of Liverpool for the
trouble and expence of recovering
for

for the Creditors, certain Debts owing by the Estate of the late Brickwood & Co.

The Premiums on E. A. Whytt's Policies to be paid as usual.

The Deputy Governor's order for £52. was given to Mr. Lawrence the 27 July 1838.

Mr. Lawrence informed the Committee that in the case of E. A. Whytt of New Broad Street Merchant (now a Lunatic) a Notice has been received from the Economic Life Assurance Society, requesting the payment of £52. being the Premiums on his Policies assigned over to the Bank as Collateral Security.

The Committee agreed that the Premiums be paid as usual.

Court, 4th Oct^r 1838.
John Henry Pelly Esq: was added to the Comm^{ee} of Treasury, and William Colton Esq: was appointed to the comm^{ee} for Law Suits.

17 Oct^r 1838.

Wednesday the 17th Oct^r 1838.

Present

Mr. Pearse

Mr. Hankey

Mr. Smith

The proceedings of the last Committee were read.

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The Gov^t reported to
have given £10 to
Mary Huxtable

The Secretary reported that the
Governor, with the advice of Mr. Freshfield,
had given £10 to Mary Huxtable, who was
mainly instrumental to the conviction of
Thomas Rymer for uttering forged Bank
Notes.

Depositions read
of Edward Cooney
for forging and uttering
cheques of the Bank of
England, —

Mr. C. Freshfield states
his case to be complete.

Depositions were read against
Edward Cooney for forging and uttering
Cheques of the Bank of England,
Mr. Charles Freshfield attended and
stated that evidence had been given against
him at the examination yesterday which made
the case complete, and that the Prisoner
was fully committed for trial, it was

Ordered,
That the said Edward
Cooney be prosecuted.

Mr. Lawrence's List

Mr. Lawrence's List was laid
before the Committee, and considered. viz:

Proposition of the
Ex^{ors} of Jonathan Turner

The Executors of Jonathan Turner
of Wardour Street, Soho, Timber Merchant,
Discounters of sundry Bills amounting to
£2127.3.7 for which the Bank hold
Leasehold Property as collateral security,
propose to pay the Principal without Interest,
immediately, or to give a security on the
Leasehold Property for Principal and
Interest, — Mess^{rs} Freshfield & Son advise
the Bank to take a Mortgage on the
Property reserving a power to sell whenever
an

Mess^{rs} Freshfield's
advise thereon

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an opportunity offers, in the mean time to receive the Rents.

Mr. Lawrence's
Statement thereon

Mr. Lawrence acquainted the Committee that the late Chairman, Mr. Pelly, had verbally consented to take a Mortgage on the Property agreeably to Mr. Freshfield's advice, - that another application had since been made and that the papers were with Mr. Freshfield, Mr. Lawrence added that he had this morning, applied for them but they were not immediately accessible, they do not however at all affect the above application.

confirmed by
Mr. Chas. Freshfield

Mr. Charles Freshfield confirmed Mr. Lawrence's Statement.

Mortgage on the property to
be taken, reserving power
to sell, and in the mean time
to receive the Rents.

The Committee agreed to take a Mortgage on the Property reserving a power to sell whenever an opportunity offers, and, in the mean time, to receive the Rents.

Bassett & Peacock
request the Bank to agree
to an assignment of their
Effects in Trust

Bassett and Peacock of Paternoster Row, Calico Printers, Acceptors of a Bill for £136. 2. discounted with Townshend Brown & Co. request the Bank will agree with their other Creditors to an assignment of their effects in trust to Mr. W. Tucker and Mr. J. Thompson, Both of Cheap-side, Warehousemen.

Granted.

The Committee granted the foregoing Request.

21 Nov: 1838

At
Wednesday 21st Nov^r 1838

Present

Mr. Colton

Mr. Morris

Mr. Pearse

Mr. Flankey

Mr. Smith.

The Proceedings of the
Last Committee were read.

Mess^{rs} Freshfield & Sons

The Solicitors, Bill for Law Charges amounting
Bill consi- to £1699. 6. 9. for the half year ending
dered the 30th September last, having
been taken into consideration;
and the following Abstract
thereof having been examined
viz:

Abstract

Abstract of Mess^{rs}. Freshfield & Son's Bill for Six Months to the 30th. Sept. 1838

Charges for	Business	Attendance	Fees to Counsel	Incidental Charges	Stamps	Total
Chancery (10 Suits) ^{10/13}	19 ¹¹ 14 ¹⁰ 10	21 ¹¹ 3 ¹⁰ 4	8 ¹¹ 18 ¹⁰ —	29 ¹¹ 14 ¹⁰ 5	—	79 ¹¹ 10 ¹⁰ 7
Do ^o respecting proceedings instituted against the London Joint Stock Bank ^{2/8}	— 93 ¹¹ 10 ¹⁰ 6	27 ¹¹ 18 ¹⁰ 8	182 ¹¹ 3 ¹⁰ 6	99 ¹¹ — 10	—	402 ¹¹ 13 ¹⁰ 6
Respecting the Affidavit to the House of Lords presented by the London and Westminster Bank ^{1/2}	— 4 ¹¹ 9 ¹⁰ —	3 ¹¹ 6 ¹⁰ 8	5 ¹¹ 10 ¹⁰ 8	— 16 ¹⁰ —	— 2 ¹⁰ 6	15 ¹¹ 4 ¹⁰ 10
Exchequer (36 Suits) ^{13/22}	24 ¹¹ — 17 ¹⁰ —	24 ¹¹ 16 ¹⁰ 8	1 ¹¹ 3 ¹⁰ 6	5 ¹¹ 2 ¹⁰ 8	—	55 ¹¹ 19 ¹⁰ 10
Common Law (2 Suits) ^{75/76}	4 ¹¹ 2 ¹⁰ 8	8 ¹¹ 2 ¹⁰ —	2 ¹¹ 4 ¹⁰ 6	1 ¹¹ 2 ¹⁰ —	—	15 ¹¹ 11 ¹⁰ 2
Criminal Prosecutions 3 persons ^{23/42}	111 ¹¹ — 14 ¹⁰ 8	62 ¹¹ 3 ¹⁰ 8	88 ¹¹ — — 6	71 ¹¹ 19 ¹⁰ —	—	333 ¹¹ 17 ¹⁰ 10
Measures to detect Forgery &c. ^{42/50}	14 ¹¹ — 1 ¹⁰ 10	19 ¹¹ 2 ¹⁰ —	—	3 ¹¹ 10 ¹⁰ 2	—	36 ¹¹ 14 ¹⁰ —
Respecting the application of certain American Houses ^{51/75}	— 39 ¹¹ 14 ¹⁰ 2	88 ¹¹ 3 ¹⁰ 4	1 ¹¹ 3 ¹⁰ 6	41 ¹¹ 14 ¹⁰ 9	—	170 ¹¹ 15 ¹⁰ 9
General Business ^{77/150}	267 ¹¹ 4 ¹⁰ 2	167 ¹¹ — —	21 ¹¹ 6 ¹⁰ 6	134 ¹¹ 8 ¹⁰ 7	—	* 589 ¹¹ 19 ¹⁰ 3
* The Am ^t for General Business includes for Improvements in Bartholomew Lane — £173 ¹¹ 2 ¹⁰ 8	579 ¹¹ 8 ¹⁰ 10	421 ¹¹ 16 ¹⁰ 4	310 ¹¹ 10 ¹⁰ 8	387 ¹¹ 8 ¹⁰ 5	— 2 ¹⁰ 6	1699 ¹¹ 6 ¹⁰ 9
Leaving for General Business ^{415/416}	—	—	—	—	—	—
Abstracted & analysed by G. E. Gray Dep ^y Acc ^t & no Noble Assistant Acc ^t ^{589/19/3}	—	—	—	—	—	—
			Deduct Money rec ^d by the Solicitors			935 ¹¹ 6 ¹⁰ 6
						£ 764 ¹¹ 19 ¹⁰ 3

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The Committee examined the Deputy Accountant as to the rate of charge against the various Items in the Bill and being satisfied therewith, the following Report was agreed to. viz:

The Committee for Law Suits
Report to the Court of Directors

Report on the
Solicitors' Bill

That they have investigated Mess^{rs}. Freshfield & Sons' Bill for Law Charges from Easter Term 1838 to the 30th Sept^r last, amounting to £1699. 6. 9. and they find it to be composed of the following Particulars viz:

Expences attendant on the Appeal to the House of Lords by the London & Westminster Bank ag^t the Order of the Master of the Rolls — £ 14. 4. 10

Ditto on proceedings in Chancery ag^t the London Joint Stock Bank £ 337. 9. 10

Ditto on the Appeal to the House of Lords by the London Joint Stock Bank ag^t the Order of the Master of the Rolls 65. 3. 8

Carried forward — £ 402. 13. 6
£ 416. 18. 4

Brought forward ——— £ 416. 18. 4
 Expenses attendant on
 10 Suits in Chancery ——— 79. 10. 7
 Do. on 36 Suits in the Court
 of Exchequer, principally for
 Proceedings to remove Testaments
 on Stock. ——— 55. 19. 10

Amount of the
 Solicitors' Bills

30 Sep: 1836 £ 1205. 3. 6
 Receipts ——— 84. 14. 2
 Balance £ 1120. 9. 4

31 Mar: 1837 £ 1634. 9. 11
 Receipts ——— 52. 15. 4
 Balance £ 1581. 14. 7

30 Sep: 1837 £ 2908. 2. 0
 Receipts ——— 187. 2. 2
 Balance £ 2720. 19. 10

31 Mar: 1838 £ 2349. 17. 10
 Receipts ——— 11. 1. 4
 Balance £ 2338. 16. 6

3 Persons. viz:
 Against John Clater and
 George Olley for the forgery
 of Transfers in the Bank
 3 1/2 P. cuts ——— £ 211. 2. 2
 Against Tho. Rymer
 for the forgery of Bank
 Notes ——— 122. 15. 8

333. 17. 10

Respecting the measures
 taken to detect and punish
 frauds and forgeries on the
 Bank ——— 36. 14. —

Respecting the arrange-
 ments consequent on the
 Advances to certain
 American Houses. viz:

George Wildes & Co. £ 56. 16. 10
 Thomas Wilson & Co. 113. 18. 11

170. 15. 9

Expenses attendant on 2 Suits
 at Common Law ——— 15. 11. 2
 Carried forward, ——— £ 1109. 7. 6

General

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Brought forward — £ 1109⁷/₆
 General Business, including
 Expenses respecting the Im-
 General Business 416.10.9
 Improvements in Bartholomew Lane (173.2.8) — 589¹⁹/₃
 in Bartholomew Lane } 173.2.8
 £ 589.19.3

Deduct Money received by
 the Solicitors for costs &c. — 935⁶/₆
 Balance due to the Solicitors £ 764¹/₃

In the foregoing Amount of
 £ 1699⁶/₉ the charge for drawing
 Briefs &c: and other general Business
 is — £ 579⁸/₁₀
 For personal Attendance — 421¹⁶/₄
 For Money advanced in — £ 1001⁵/₂
 Fees to Counsel £ 310¹⁰/₈
 Incidental Expenses 387⁸/₅
 Stamps — 2⁶/₆
 698¹/₇
 £ 1699⁶/₉

In respect to the Sum of
 £ 170¹⁵/₉ the Amount of Expenses
 consequent on the Advances to
 certain American Houses, the
 Committee recommend that the
 Chief Cashier be directed to apportion
 the same to the debit of those
 Houses respectively.

The Committee have exa-
 mined the Deputy Accountant, and
 being satisfied from his Report,
 that

Balance of the
Solicitors' Bill
recommended to
be paid.

that the several Charges have
been made according to the usual
rate, they recommend to the Court
of Directors that the Sum of £744.³
be paid to Mess^{rs} Freshfield & Son,
being the Balance of their present
Bill for Law Charges to the 30th
September last.

(Signed)

Bank of England,
21st Nov: 1838

William Cotton
Chairman

At B. The above Report was approved
in Court on the 22nd November
and the Balance of the Bill
ordered payment.

Mr Lawrence's
List

Mr Lawrence's List was laid
before the Committee and consi-
dered. viz:

H. L. Holland &
James Kiddle

Trustees of
Laing and Lee

H. L. Holland of Broad Street
and James Kiddle, Trustees of
Laing & Lee, of George Street, Minoris;
Sail Cloth Factors, discounters of three
Bills amounting to £1816.19.-
request that the Bank will agree
with all their other Creditors, to an
Assignment of their Effects to them
(said Trustees) for the benefit of all

Their Arrangement
not to be disturbed

The Committee agreed not
to disturb the arrangement.

In

21 Nov: 1838

W^m Young & Son

In respect to the Case of William Young & Son of Rio, drawer of a Bill for £1796¹¹/₆. Mess^{rs} Miller, Le Cocq & Co of Rio, to whom the Bank sent the above Bill, years ago for liquidation; - now request the authority of the Bank to make the best arrangements with the above firm they can; their other Creditors having agreed to the same.

Mess^{rs} Miller Le Cocq & Co request complied with

The Committee agreed thereto.

Alex^r Birnie & Son
case postponed

Alexander Birnie & Son of Great St. Helens, Acceptors of three Bills amounting to £1816¹¹/₁₉ have been applied to for some satisfactory arrangement, but without effect.

The consideration of this case was postponed.

Report of Edward Cooney's Conviction

A Letter dated 25 Oct. 1838 was read from Mess^{rs} Freshfield & Son reporting that Edward Cooney was on that day tried and convicted of forging and uttering a forged Cheque on the Bank of England.

Mr. James Freshfield Jun^r being in attendance on the Committee

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Depositions agst
John Hill for utter-
ing a forged £5. Note
in Warwickshire

Depositions were read against
John Hill for uttering a forged £5.
Bank of England Note in
Warwickshire,

Resolved,

to be prosecuted
conditionally

That the said John Hill
be prosecuted, if, on further
information, it should appear
desirable.

Depositions agst
Sam^r. Sutton
for uttering a
forged £10. Bank
Note in Herefordshire

Depositions were read
against Samuel Sutton for
uttering a forged £10. Bank of
England Note in Herefordshire

Resolved,

not to be prosecuted

That the said Samuel
Sutton be not prosecuted.

Depositions agst
William Hall for
uttering a forged
£5. Bank Note
in Surrey.

Depositions were read
against William Hall for
uttering a forged £5. Bank of
England Note in Surrey

Resolved

not to be prosecuted

That the said William
Hall be not prosecuted.

6th Dec^r 1838Thursday 6th Dec^r 1838

Present

M^r. CottonM^r. MorrisM^r. PearseM^r. HankyM^r. Smith.

The Proceedings of the last Committee were read.

M^r. James Freshfield Jun^r. attended the Committee when

Depositions ag^t
Sam^l. Withers for
uttering 2 forged £5.
Notes in Warwickshire

Depositions were read
against Samuel Withers for uttering
two forged £5. Bank of England
Notes in Warwickshire

Ordered

To be prosecuted

That the said Samuel Withers be prosecuted.

In reference to the Minute of the last meeting, M^r. Freshfield laid before the Committee a Letter from M^r. Spurrer of Birmingham, by which it appears, that John Hill, who stands charged with uttering a forged Note, "is one of a Gang of 8 or 9 who

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"who have paid away lately many forged
 "Notes from the same plates, who have
 "hitherto escaped detection because
 "their persons could not be identified,"

The Committee confirmed their
 Minute in this case of the 21st Nov^r
 and,

John Hill to be
 prosecuted in con-
 firmation of the
 Minute of the last
 meeting.

Ordered,

That the said John Hill
 be prosecuted.

2th Jan^y 1839Tuesday 8th January 1839

Present

M^r CottonM^r MorrisM^r PearceM^r Smith.

The Proceedings of the last
 Committee were read.

Depositions were read
 against Edward Matthews for uttering
 against Edward Matthews for a forged £5. Bank of England Note in
 uttering a forged Warwickshire.

£5. Note in
 Warwickshire

Ordered, That the said Edw^d Matthews
 be prosecuted.

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Friday 1 Feb^r. 1839

Present

Mr. Cotton

Mr. Morris

Mr. Pearse

Mr. Hankey

Mr. Smith.

The Proceedings of the last Committee were read.

The Secretary laid before the Committee the following Report from Mess^{rs}. Freshfield together with the Letters to which it refers. viz:

Report of Mess^{rs}. Freshfield on a fresh application as to the mode of paying the debt of Jonathan Turner deceased

"Mess^{rs}. Freshfield beg to report that having required the Executors of M^r. Jonathan Turner the discount of Bills to the amount of £2127. 3. 7 for securing payment of which the Bank hold the Title Deeds of Leasehold property in Wardour Street to complete the proposal submitted to the Bank in May last (of which a Copy is sent herewith) to give a Mortgage on the property of the Bank as

"Si-

Security for their debt the Parties
 "addressed to Mess^{rs} Freshfield the
 "two Letters sent herewith dated
 "23^d November and 29th January,
 "and after much pressing, ultimately
 "proposed if the Bank would
 "relinquish their Securities, to pay
 "their debt in full, and one half
 "of the Interest due.

"Mess^{rs} Freshfield beg to
 "recommend that this offer be
 "accepted, because from the nature
 "of the Property it is probable that
 "though the Bank would recover
 "their debt, yet they could not do so
 "for a long period of time, and in
 "the mean time, the management
 "of the property might be attended
 "with much difficulty and risk.

"Mess^{rs} Freshfield beg to add
 "that the proposal now made
 "to the Bank, is on the part of
 "the Friends of M^{rs} Butler the
 "housekeeper of M^{rs} Turner, and
 "a creditor to the amount of £700.
 "to whom the property was bequeathed,
 "it is represented that from the
 "future management of the property,
 "M^{rs} Butler alone depends for her
 "future maintenance and that
 "Several

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"Several of Mr. Turner's other creditors,
"including Mess^{rs}. Ransom, have
"agreed to take fifteen shillings
"in the pound on their debts.

"New Bank Buildings
"30th January 1839."

Resolved,

That agreeably to the
Recommendation of Mess^{rs}. Freshfield,
The Debt to be accepted with
half the Interest and the Securities
to be relinquished
The proposal to pay the debt of Jonathan
Turner deceased amounting to £2127.3/4
with half the Interest due, if the
Bank would relinquish the
Title Deeds held by them as Security,
be agreed to.

The Committee proceeded
with the Examination of Mr.
Lawrence's Accounts of discounted
Bills and Notes unpaid, and
having completed the same, the
following Report thereon was
made to the Court of Directors. viz.

The Committee for Law Suits
Report to the Court of Directors

That

Report on the
overdue Discounts
Bills & Notes
Unpaid

and

The Quarterly
Loan Bills
Unpaid.

That the Committee have investigated the Accounts of the overdue Discounted Bills and Notes unpaid, and it appears that the Balance of the Outstanding Debt (not written off to the Account of Profit & Loss) on the 30th June 1838 was £47,989, 14, 10. and in pursuance of the Order of the Court of the 19th July last, the sum of £2000. was carried to the debit of Profit and Loss, reducing the Balance to £45,989, 14, 10. which has been further decreased up to the 31st December last, to £12,913, 12, 4. as will be shown in the details.

London Accounts

There has been received in the last half year, upon the Accounts of Bankrupts or Insolvents, the Balances of which have from time to time been carried to the debit of the Account of Profit and Loss, the sum of £1048, 15, 8. which has been placed to the credit of that Account in the general Ledger.

The Balance on the 30th June last of the Accounts which accumulated in the half year ending the 31st December 1834 was £194, 5, 9 the whole of which has since been received. The

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The Balances on the 30th June last of the Accounts which accumulated in the half year ending the 30th June 1835, was — £432⁷ 2¹⁰.

And in the half year ending the 30th June 1836 — 237¹⁰ 10¹⁰ and nothing having been received on either during the last half year the Committee recommend that both the said Balances be carried to the debit of the Account of Profit & Loss.

The Balance on the 30th June last of the Accounts which accumulated in the half year ending the 31st Dec^r. 1836 was £1159¹⁵ 8

On which has been received up to the 31st Dec^r. last } 153¹⁰ 10¹⁰
leaving the Balance — £1006¹⁵ 10¹⁰

The Balance on the 30th June last of the Accounts which accumulated in the half year ending the 30 June 1837 was — £12,287¹⁰ 10¹⁰

On which has been received up to the 31st Dec^r. last } 4073¹⁰ 10¹⁰
leaving the Balance — £8213¹⁰ 10¹⁰ 5

The Balance on the 30th June last of the Accounts which accumulated in

in the half year ending the 31st Dec^r. 1837, was $\text{£} 30,277^{13}_{10}$
 On which has been received up to the 31st December last } $30,251^{17}_{10}$
 leaving the Balance $\text{£} 25^{14}_{10}$

And as the whole of the above three Balances are expected to be received, the Committee do not recommend any portion thereof to be carried to the Account of Profit and Loss.

The Balance on the 30th June last of the Accounts which accumulated in the half year ending at that date was $\text{£} 1400^{17}_{10}$

On which has been received up to the 31st Dec^r last - } 219^{10}_{10}
 leaving the Balance $\text{£} 1181^{6}_{10}$

$\text{£} 800$. of which is recommended to be carried to the debit of the Account of Profit & Loss, viz: 800^{0}_{10}
 Balance remaining $\text{£} 381^{6}_{10}$

There is one new Account since the 30th June last amounting to $\text{£} 1816^{19}_{10}$ on which nothing has been received
 and

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and the said Accounts having so recently occurred, the Committee do not ^{at present} recommend any part thereof to be carried to the Account of Profit & Loss.

Recapitulation

	Balances Outstanding 30 June 1838	Receipts in the 1/2 year ending 31 st Dec ^r 1838	Balances Outstanding 31 st Dec ^r 1838
Balance of the 1/2 year ending 31 st Dec ^r 1834	£ - 194 ^{..} 5 ^{..} 9	£ 194 ^{..} 5 ^{..} 9	£ —
Ditto 30 June 1835	— 432 ^{..} 2 ^{..} 10	—	432 ^{..} 2 ^{..} 10
D ^o 30 June 1836	— 237 ^{..} 10 ^{..} 10	—	237 ^{..} 10 ^{..} 10
D ^o 31 Dec ^r " "	— 1159 ^{..} 15 ^{..} 8	— 153 ^{..} 10 ^{..} 10	1006 ^{..} 4 ^{..} 10
D ^o 30 June 1837	— 12287 ^{..} 10 ^{..} —	4073 ^{..} 10 ^{..} 7	8213 ^{..} 19 ^{..} 5
D ^o 31 Dec ^r " "	— 30277 ^{..} 12 ^{..} 7	30251 ^{..} 17 ^{..} 9	— 25 ^{..} 14 ^{..} 10
D ^o 30 June 1838	— 1400 ^{..} 17 ^{..} 2	— 219 ^{..} 10 ^{..} 7	1181 ^{..} 6 ^{..} 7
	£ 45989 ^{..} 14 ^{..} 10	£ 34892 ^{..} 15 ^{..} 6	£ 11096 ^{..} 19 ^{..} 4
One New Account in the half year ending 31 st Dec ^r 1838	{ — 1816 ^{..} 19 ^{..} —	—	1816 ^{..} 19 ^{..} —
Total Balance Outstanding on the 31 st December 1838			£ 12913 ^{..} 18 ^{..} 4
And the following Sums having been recommended to be carried to the debit of the Account of Profit & Loss. viz:			
The Balance remaining of the 1/2 year ending 30 June 1835 — £ 432 ^{..} 2 ^{..} 10			
D ^o of the 1/2 year ending 30 June 1836 — 237 ^{..} 10 ^{..} 10			
And of the Balance of the 1/2 year ending the 30 th June 1838 — —			
			1469 ^{..} 13 ^{..} 8
The Balance Outstanding (not written off to Profit & Loss) will be reduced to			£ 11444 ^{..} 4 ^{..} 8

Branches

Branch
Bank Accounts

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As respects the Debt at the
Branches, there has been received in
the half year, upon the Accounts
of Bankrupts or Insolvents, at the
Bristol Branch, the Balances of
which have from time to time been
carried to the debit of the Account
of Profit & Loss, the Sum of £39.11. —
which has been placed to the Credit
of that Account in the General
Ledger.

The Balance of the Outstanding
Debt (not written off to the Account
of Profit & Loss) on the 30 June 1838, was
£3825.5.5

On which has been
received up to 31st Dec. last, viz:

At Birmingham £1000. —

Newcastle — — 77.15.7

Manchester — — 40.4.6

Liverpool — — 2000. — — 3118. — — 1

Balance outstanding — £707.5.4

viz:

At Newcastle — £477.15.7

Manchester — 201.2.6

Portsmouth — 28.7.3

£707.5.4

As the whole of this Balance is
expected to be received, it is not recom-
mended that any part thereof should be
carried to the Account of Profit & Loss.
The

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The Committee have the satisfaction to state that no new Debt has occurred at the Branches during the last year.

Quarterly

Loan Account

Of the Quarterly Loan Bills there has been received on the Amount carried to Profit and Loss the Sum of £452^{..} 5^{..} 5.

The Balance of the Amount unpaid (not written off to the Account of Profit and Loss) on the 30th June 1838, was — £3638^{..} 6^{..} 6

On which has been received	} — 76 ^{..} 10 ^{..} 9
up to 31 st December last —	
Balance remaining	<u>£ 3561^{..} 15^{..} 9</u>

And from so small an Amount having been received during the last half year, the Committee recommend that the whole of the said Balance be carried to the debit of the Account of Profit and Loss. —

(signed)

William Cotton
Bank of England Chairman
1st Feb^y. 1839

Memo. Approved in Court
7th Feb^y. 1839

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Wednesday 27th Feb^r 1839

Present,

M^r. Cotton

M^r. Morris

M^r. Pearse

M^r. Smith

The Proceedings of the last Committee were read

Mungo Gilmore's
proposed Compo-
sition

The Chairman reported that on the 11th Inst^t M^r. Lawrence had laid before him an application from Mungo Gilmore of Leithhouse Ship Owner, Acceptor of a Bill for £1167^{..} 13. 10. Discounted with Christ^{ian} Richardson & Son, requesting ^{that} the Bank will receive a Composition of 3/6^d in the £. to be paid in Cash, in full discharge of his further liabilities; — to which request the Chairman statu^{he} had agreed

agreed to

The Committee approved thereof.

A Question having arisen as to the appointment of a Counsel on the Oxford Circuit to supply the

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The Appointment
of a Counsel on
the Oxford Circuit
in the room of Mr.
Maule made a
Baron of the Excheq^r
not required

the place of Mr. Maule, now a
Baron of the Exchequer, - the Committee
consulted Mr. James Freshfield Jun:
thereon, - and it appearing that
the Bank have had no Business
on the Circuit for many years, -
The Committee considered, that a
Second Counsel is not required.

A Counsel
required on the
Midland Circuit
in the room of
Mr. Amos
gone to India

Mr. Freshfield having brought
to the Notice of the Committee, that
a vacancy in the Bank's Counsel
on the Midland ^{circuit} has arisen, in
consequence of Mr. Amos having
gone to India, and that it is
necessary the same should be
filled up prior to the holding of
the Assises at Warwick on the
27th March, the Bank having
several Prosecutions there, -

and
Mr. Freshfield
to enquire and
report thereon

The Committee directed
Mr. Freshfield to make enquiry
as to the qualifications of Counsel
going the Circuit, and to report
thereon forthwith to the Committee.

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Thursday 7th March 1839 230

Present,

Mr. Cotton
Mr. Morris
Mr. Pearse
Mr. Stanley
Mr. Smith.

The Proceedings of the
last Committee were read.

Pursuant to the Minute
Mr. Freshfield Jun^r of the last meeting Mr. Freshfield
made his report as Jun^r attended and reported that he
to the most eminent Counsel going the had looked through the list of
Midland Circuit Counsel going the Midland Circuit
and had selected the names of Mr.
Humphrey, Mr. Waddington, and Mr.
Whitchurst, whom he could recom-
mend to the Committee as three
of the most eminent Counsel on
the Circuit.

The consideration
deferred

The Committee deferred their
decision as to the appointment
of a Counsel for the Bank till
next week.

Mr. Freshfield produced and
read Depositions taken against

William

7th Mar. 1839 William Thompson for uttering a
 Depositions read Forged £5. Bank of England note
 as th Wm Thompson in Leicestershire.
 for uttering a forged
 £5. Bank of England
 note in Leicestershire

Prosecution declined The Committee declined to
 prosecute the said William
 Thompson. —

13th March 1839

Wednesday 13th March 1839

Present

Mr. Cotton
 Mr. Morris
 Mr. Pearse
 Mr. Hankey

The Proceedings of the
 last Committee were read. —

Mr. Freshfield Jun^r being
 in attendance, the Committee had
 some further conversation with
 him on the merits of the Gentlemen,
 submitted by him at the last
 meeting, who attend as Counsel
 on the Midland Circuit. When
 it was

Resolved

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Resolved,

M^r. C. H. Whitehurst
appointed Counsel
for the Bank on the
Midland Circuit.

That M^r. C. H. Whitehurst
be appointed Counsel for the Bank
on the Midland Circuit.

" At a Court of directors at the
" Bank on Thursday the 11th April
1839

" The following Gentlemen
" were appointed for the year en-
" suing, - A Committee for Law
" Suits for the purpose of ordering
" what prosecutions shall be com-
" menced and giving such directions
" for the management of them
" and the retaining of Counsel
" and preferring Indictments, as
" they may Judge expedient; and
" also to consider the State of the
" unpaid Bills and Notes, agreeably
" to the recommendation of the
" Committee as approved by the
" Court the 24th March 1838.

" M^r. Cotton " M^r. Huth
" M^r. Grenfell and
" M^r. Neave " M^r. Smith
" John Watts
" Secy."

23rd May 1839Thursday 23rd May 1839

Present

M^r. Cotton
 M^r. Grenfell
 M^r. Veave
 M^r. Hulse
 M^r. Smith

The Proceedings of the
 Last Comm^{tee} were read.

Joshua Freeman's Disbursements
 recommended
 to be paid.

A recommendation to the
 Governor was signed for the payment
 of Joshua Freeman's Disbursements &c.
 (£11. 2. 6.) for attending at Leicester
 on the trial of William Thompson
 for uttering a forged £5. Bank of
 England Note, also at Warwick and
 Coventry on the trial of several Parties
 for similar Offences.

Application having been
 made by Mess^{rs}. Carter, Son and Kerr,
 Solicitors of Coventry for the payment
 of £11. 9. 8 being the Balance of their Bill
 amounting to £29. 16. 9 after deducting
 the County allowance of £18. 7. 1. for the
 Prosecution by a Party at Coventry of
 Russell, Bromfield & Barnett for uttering
 a forged £5. Bank of England Note, the
 two former having been convicted and

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sentenced to be transported for 15 years

Resolved,

At the recommendation of
Mr James Freshfield Jun^r

to be presented
with £10. towards

the Expenses of of England to present Ten Pounds to
Prosecuting Mess^{rs} Carter, Son and Kerr Solicitors

Russell, Broomfield of Coventry towards the Expenses of the
& Barnett, at prosecution of Russell, Broomfield
Coventry, for uttering,

a forged note. and Barnett for uttering a forged
£5. Bank of England note

2nd July 1839

Tuesday 2nd July 1839

Present

Mr Cotton

Mr. Neave

Mr. Hunt

Mr. Smith

The Proceedings of the

The Solicitors'
Bill considered

Last Committee were read.

Mess^{rs} Freshfield Sons Bill
for Law Charges amounting to £1532..19/10
for the 1/2 year ending the 31st March last
having been taken into consideration
and the following Abstract thereof
having been examined. viz:

Abstract

Abstract of Mess^{rs}. Freshfield & Sons Bill for Six Months to the 31st March 1839. 235

Charges for	Business	Attendance	Fees to Counsel	Incidental Charges	Stamps	Total
Respecting the appeal to the Ho. of Lords by the London Joint Stock Bank against the order of the Master of the Rolls	102 ^u 14 ^u ~	11 ^u 5 ^u ~	39 ^u 7 ^u ~	85 ^u ~ 3	£s. 1 to 3	244 ^u 6 ^u 3
Chancery (11 Suits)	30 ^u 19 ^u 8	25 ^u 1 ^u 8	16 ^u ~ 8	21 ^u 6 ^u 8	3 to 9	93 ^u 8 ^u 8
Exchequer (36 Suits)	22 ^u 4 ^u 2	23 ^u 10 ^u ~		1 ^u 5 ^u 11	10 to 18	47 ^u ~ 1
Common Law (3 Suits)	12 ^u 7 ^u 8	12 ^u 12 ^u ~	31 ^u 19 ^u ~	6 ^u 15 ^u 7	19 to 22	63 ^u 14 ^u 3
Criminal Prosecutions (5)	131 ^u 11 ^u ~	91 ^u 10 ^u 4	96 ^u 14 ^u 6	235 ^u 7 ^u 2	23 to 48	555 ^u 3 ^u ~
Measures to detect forgeries &c.	11 ^u 3 ^u 10	7 ^u 6 ^u 8		3 ^u ~ ~	49 to 54	21 ^u 10 ^u 6
Respecting the Application of certain American Houses to the Bank for Assistance	~ 65 ^u 15 ^u ~	54 ^u 18 ^u 8		3 ^u 10 ^u ~	55 to 66	124 ^u 3 ^u 8
Respecting Branch Banks	24 ^u ~ ~	11 ^u 9 ^u 4	6 ^u 13 ^u 6	25 ^u 17 ^u 4	15 ^u 5 ^u 9	83 ^u 15 ^u 11
General Business	135 ^u ~ 8	111 ^u 10 ^u 8	19 ^u 3 ^u 6	60 ^u 2 ^u 8	67 to 70 71 to 122	325 ^u 17 ^u 6
	541 ^u 16 ^u ~	349 ^u 14 ^u 4	209 ^u 18 ^u 2	442 ^u 5 ^u 7	15 ^u 5 ^u 9	£1558 ^u 19 ^u 10
Abstracted & analyzed by G. E. Gray Dep ^y Acc ^t Jno. P. Noble Assistant Acc ^t		Deduct Money rec ^d . by the Solicitors				12 ^u 5 ^u 2
						£1546 ^u 14 ^u 8

The Committee examined the Dep^t.
Accountant, and being satisfied with
his Report as to the Charges having been
made in the present Bill according to
the usual Rate, agreed on the follow-
ing Report to the Court. viz.

The Committee for Law Suits
Report to the Court of Directors

That they have investigated
Reports on the Mess^{rs} Freshfield and Son's Bill for
Solicitors Bill Law Charges from Michaelmas Term
for Law Charges 1838 to 31st March last amounting
to £1538. 19. 10. and they find it to be
composed of the following particulars.
viz: Expenses attendant on the
Appeal to the House of Lords by the
London Joint Stock Bank ag^t
the order of the Master of the Rolls £ 244. 6. 3
Expences Attendant on 11
Suits in Chancery ~~~~~ 93. 8. 8
D^o - on 34 Suits in the Court
of Exchequer, for proceedings
to remove restraints on Stock 47. 1. 1
D^o on 3 Suits at Common Law - 63. 14. 3
Expences attendant on
Criminal Prosecutions
against 5 Persons. viz:
1 for uttering forged Bank
of England Cheques - £ 210. 10. 2
1 for assaulting one of
the Bank Porters - 37. 5. 2
3 for Uttering forged Bank
of England Notes - 307. 7. 8
Carried forward ~~~~~ £ 555. 3. -
£ 1003. 12. 3

Report on the
Solicitors Bill
continued

Amount of the
Solicitors Bills

31 Mar. 1837 £1534.9.11

Receipts — 52.15.11

Balance £1587.14.0

30 Sep. 1837 £2908.2.0

Receipts — 187.2.2

Balance £2720.19.10

31 Mar. 1838 £2349.17.10

Receipts — 11.1.4

Balance £2338.16.6

30 Sep. 1838 £1699.6.9

Receipts — 935.6.6

Balance £764.0.3

Brought forward — £1003.12.3

Expences consequent on the
Measures taken to detect and
punish frauds and forgeries
on the Bank — 21.10.6

D^o on the Measures con-
sequent upon the assistance
afforded to certain American
Houses. viz:

Geo. Wildes & Co. — £5.3.6

Tho. Wilson & Co.

and
Timothy Higgins & Co. } 119.0.2

124.3.8

Respecting the Purchase of
Premises adjoining the
Pocksmouth and Newcastle
Branches — 23.15.11

General Business, in-
cluding Expences respecting
the Improvements in Bar-
tholomew Lane, and various
payments. viz:

General Business £245.9.0

Bartholomew Lane } 31.8.10

Improvements — } 48.19.2

Payments — 325.17.6

Deduct Money received by
the Solicitors for costs &c. — 1558.19.10

Balance due to the Solicitors — 12.5.2

Balance due to the Solicitors — 1546.11.8

In the foregoing Amount of £1558.19.10
the Charge for drawing Bills &c. and other
General Business is — £541.15.0

For personal Attendance — 349.14.4

Carried forward — £891.10.4

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Brought forward	£ 891 ¹¹ 10 ¹¹
For Money advanced in	
Fees to Counsel	£ 209 ¹⁸ 2
Incidental Expences	442 ⁵ 7
Stamps	15 ⁵ 9
	<u>667⁹ 6</u>
	£ 1558 ¹⁹ 10

In respect to the Sum of £124³/₈ the Amount of Expences consequent on the Advances to certain American Houses the Committee recommend that the Chief Cashier be directed to apportion the same to the debit of those Houses respectively.

The Committee have examined the Deputy Accountant, and being satisfied from his Report that the several Charges have been made according to the usual rate, they recommend to the Court of Directors, that the Sum of £1546¹¹ 8 be paid to Messrs. Freshfield & Son, being the Balance of their present Bill for Law Charges to the 31st March last.

Report on the
Solicitors' Bill
concluded.

(signed) William Cotton
Chairman

Bank of England
2 July 1839

A. B. The above Report was
approved in Court on the
4th July 1839 and the
Balance of the Bill
ordered payment.

24 July 1839

Wednesday 24th July 1839

Present,

M^r. CottonM^r. NeaveM^r. HuthM^r. Smith

The Proceedings of the
last Committee were read.

Examination of
the Accounts of
Discounted Bills
and Notes unpaid
To:

The Committee proceeded in
the Examination of M^r. Lawrence's
Accounts of Discounted Bills and
Notes Unpaid also of his Account
of the deposited quarterly Loan Bills
unpaid and having completed the
same, the following Report thereon
was agreed to be made to the Court
of Directors. viz:

Report thereon
to the Court

The Committee for Law Suits
Report to the Court of Directors

London
Accounts

That the Committee have
investigated the Accounts of the
overdue Discounted Bills and Notes
unpaid and it appears that the
Balance of the Outstanding debt (not
written off to the Account of Profit
and Loss) on the 31st Dec^r 1838, was

was £129/13¹⁸ 4, and in Pursuance²⁴⁰
of the order of the Court of the 7th Feb^{ry}
last, the Sum of £1469¹³ 8 was carried
to the debit of Profit and Loss, reducing
the Balance to £1144/14¹⁴ 8. which has
been further decreased up to the 30 June
last to £9162⁴ — as will be shewn
in the details.

There has been received in the
last half year, upon the Accounts
of Bankrupts or Insolvents, the
Balances of which have from time
to time been carried to the debit of
the Account of Profit and Loss, the
Sum of £2706¹¹ which has been
placed to the Credit of that Account
in the General Ledger.

The Balance on the 31st Dec^r
last of the Accounts which ac-
cumulated in the half year ending
the 31st Dec^r 1836, was — £1306⁴ 10

On which has been re-
ceived up to the 30th June last } 153¹⁹ 4
leaving the Balance — £852⁵ 6
the whole of which is expected to be
received.

The Balance on the 31st Dec^r
last of the Accounts which

25th July 1837 accumulated in the half year ending the 30th June 1837 was — £ 8213..10..5

On which has been received } 746..8..7
up to the 30th June last —

leaving the Balance — £ 7467..10..10
which principally consists in Amounts due from the Houses in the American Trade, the probability of loss on these Accounts, the Committee do not consider themselves called on to decide.

The Balance on the 31st Dec^r. last of the Accounts which accumulated in the half year ending the 31st Dec^r 1837 was — £ 25..14..10 which Balance has since been received.

The Balance on the 31st Dec^r. last of the Accounts which accumulated in the half year ending the 30th June 1838, was £ 381..6..7 which has also been received.

The Balance on the 31st Dec^r. last of the Accounts which accumulated in the half year ending at that date was £ 1816..19..—

on which has been received } 1135..11..10
up to the 30th June last —
leaving the Balance — £ 681..7..2
carried forward

Balance brought forward - £681.7.2 ⁽²⁴²⁾

One half of which is recommended to be carried to the debit of the Account of

Profit and Loss, being - £340.13.7

Balance remaining £340.13.7

There are two New Accounts since the 31st Dec^r last amounting to - £334.7.4

On which has been received up to the 30th June last - £173.6.10

leaving the Balance £161.1.6

Which it is recommended should remain for the present, the Account having so recently occurred.

Recapitulation of London Accounts standing 31 st Dec ^r 1838	Receipts in the 1/2 year ending 30 th June 1839	Balances Outstanding 30 June 1839	
Balances of the 1/2 year ending 31 st Dec ^r 1836	£ 1006. 4. 10	£ 153. 19. 4	£ 852. 5. 6
D ^o 30 June 1837	8213. 19. 5	746. 8. 7	7467. 10. 10
D ^o 31 Dec ^r "	25. 14. 10	25. 14. 10	
D ^o 30 June 1838	381. 6. 7	381. 6. 7	
D ^o 31 Dec ^r "	1816. 19. -	1135. 11. 10	681. 7. 2
	£ 11444. 4. 8	£ 2443. 1. 2	£ 9001. 3. 6

2 New Accounts in the 1/2 year end ^d 30 June 1839	£334.7.4	£173.6.10	£161.1.6
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Total Balance Outstanding on the 30th June 1839 £9162.4.

carried forward

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24th July 1839

Balance Outstanding on the 30 June
1839 Brought forward — } 9162.4.-

And half the Balance of the
half year ending the 31st Dec^r. 1838
having been recommended to be
carried to the debit of the Acc^t.
of Profit & Loss. viz: ————— 340.13.7

The Balance Outstanding (not
written off to Profit & Loss) will be reduced } 8821.10.5

Branch
Banks
Account.

In respect to the Debt at the
Branches there has been received in
the last half year upon the Accounts
of Bankrupts or Insolvents, the Balances
of which have from time to time been
carried to the debit of the Account of
Profit and Loss, the Sum of £46.1
which has been placed to the Credit of
that Account in the General Ledger.

The Balance of the Outstand^g
Debt (not written off to the Account
of Profit & Loss) on the 31st Dec^r.
1838 was ————— £707.5.4

On which has been received
up to 30th June last viz:

At Newcastle — £38.17.9

Portsmouth 28.7.3 } 67.5.-

Balance Outstanding — £640.4.4

viz: At Newcastle 438.17.10

Manchester 201.2.6

£640.4.4

Which Mr. Turner of the Branch Bank
Office, is of opinion will all be received.
At

24 July 1839

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At the Branches there has been no new Account in the last half year.

London
Quarterly
Loan Bills
Accounts

Of the London Quarterly Loan Bills, the Balance of £561. 15. 9. outstanding on the 31st Dec^r 1838, having been carried to the debit of the Account of Profit and Loss on the 7th Feb^r last, The Committee have only to report that the Sum of £34. 12. 3 has since been received thereon and placed to the Credit of that Account in the General Ledger — and no new Account has occurred in the last half year.

Report concluded

(Signed) J^m Cotton

Bank of England " Chairman,
24 July 1839

Memo Read in Court on
the 25th July 1839
and agreed to.

3^d Oct. 1839

Thursday 3^d October 1839

Present

M^r Grenfell

M^r Huth

M^r Smith

The Proceedings of the last Committee were read.

3^d Oct. 1839

The Chairman reported that Mr. Lawrence having represented on the 10th August that in the case of E. A. Whytt of New Broad Street Merchant, a Lunatic, a Notice had been received from the Economic

The Payment Life Assurance Society, requesting on the Policies the payment of £52. being the of E. A. Whytt Premiums on his Policies assigned as usual amounting to £1500. assigned over to the Bank as Collateral Security

and that the Deputy Governor had signed an order for the payment of the same.

The Committee approved thereof

Depositions were read read against by Mr. Freshfield Jun. against Owen Sherry for uttering forged Bank of England Notes in Lancashire

Ordered

to be prosecuted

That the said Owen Sherry be prosecuted.

Mr. Pevtnor (in the absence of Mr. Lawrence) informed the Com^{rs} that a letter had this morning been

3^d Oct. 1839

Mess^{rs} Spensley
Close & Co. request
further indul-
gence in respect
to the payment
of a collateral
Bill of £531, 11^s 4^d

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Received from Mess^{rs} Spensley, Close
and Co. of Great Winchester Street, requesting
the indulgence of the Bank to a further
postponement of six Weeks or two Months
for the payment of their Collateral Bill
of £531, 11^s 4^d which will become due
to morrow the 15th October, and if
this Indulgence be granted they trust
that no further delay will take place

Resolved

The Bill must
take its usual
course.

That the Bill must take
its usual course, as the further
indulgence cannot be granted
without the renewed acquiescence
of the Parties to the said Bill in
the foregoing request for further
accommodation.

20th Nov^r
1839

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Wednesday 20th November 1839

Present,

M^r Cotton
M^r Grenfell
M^r Neave
M^r Fluth
M^r Smith

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20th Nov^r
1839

The Proceedings of the last Committee were read.

Thos. Danks
a Constable of Dudley

applies for pay-
ment of his Expens^e
in detaining the
utterer of a
forged Note

The Bank cannot
interfere.

The Chairman reported that
a Letter had been received from
Thomas Danks a Constable of
Dudley Worcestershire, enclosing a
forged £5. Bank Note, and ap-
plying for the payment of his
Expenses in taking the Utterer
into custody; but as it appeared,
on consulting Mr. Freshfield,
that the Constable had acted
improperly in detaining the
Man as a Prisoner, who had
since been discharged by the
Magistrates - an Answer had
been returned to Danks that
the Bank cannot interfere in
the Business.

Depositions
against James
Gregory for
uttering forged
Bank Notes in
Staffordshire

Depositions were read
against James Gregory for
uttering forged £5. Bank of
England Notes in Staffordshire,
and the Committee having
heard Mr. Freshfield Jun^r
opinion thereon,

Ordered

20th Novr 1839

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Ordered

James Gregory
to be prosecuted

That the said James
Gregory be prosecuted.

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4th Dec^r 1839

Wednesday 4th December 1839

Present

Mr. Cotton

Mr. Grenfell

Mr. Hutt

Mr. Smith.

The Proceedings of the
last Committee were read.

Depositions
against Richard
Leffs and Thomas
Watkins for
uttering a forged
£5. Bank Note
in Warwickshire

Depositions were read
against Richard Leffs and Thomas
Watkins for uttering a forged £5.-
Bank of England Note in War-
wickshire

Resolved

not to be prose-
-cuted

That the said Richard
Leffs and Thomas Watkins be
not prosecuted by the Bank

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4 Dec^r 1839

Joshua Freeman's
Disbursements
for tracing altered
notes in North
Wales.

recommended
to be paid.

A Recommendation to the
Governor was signed for the Payment
of Joshua Freeman's Disbursements
£: (£10.3. -) during his Journey into
North Wales to trace several £5.
notes in North Wales, which had been altered to £10.
Wales.

Mr. Freeman reported that
they had been altered by a Man
named Edward Ellis a Cattle Dealer,
and were altered by a Schoolmaster
named Williams, that both resided
near Dolgelly and had absconded.

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17th Dec^r 1839Tuesday 17th Dec^r 1839

Present

Mr. Cotton

Mr. Greenfell

Mr. Neave

Mr. Huth

Mr. Smith

The Proceedings of the last
Committee were read.

Depositions were read against
Mary Marshall and Benjamin
Marshall for uttering five forged
£5. Bank of England Notes in
Russia, and the Committee having
also

17 Dec^r 1839also read the opinion of Mr. James
Freshfield Jun^r thereon,

Resolved,

That the said Mary
to be prosecuted Marshall and Benjamin Marshall
be prosecuted.

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24th Dec^r
1839Tuesday 24th Dec^r 1839

Present,

Mr. Cotton

Mr. Grenfell

Mr. Smith

The Proceedings of the
last Committee were read.

Mess^{rs} Freshfield & Son's
Bill for Law Charges amounting
The Solicitors' to £909^{..} 5^{..} 7^{..} for the half year ending
Bill considered the 30th September last, having been
taken into consideration, and the
following Abstract thereof having
been examined. viz:

Abstract

Abstract of Mess^{rs} Freshfield & Sons Bill for 6 Months to 30 Sept^r 1839

24 Dec: 1839

Charges for	Business	Attendance	Fees to Counsel	Incidental Charges	Stamps	Total
Respecting the appeal to the House of Lords of the London Joint Stock Bank of the Order of the Masters of the Rolls		6 ^h 19 ^m 4		2 ^h 2 ^m 6	9 ^d 1	£ 7 ^h 1 ^m 10
Chancery (9 Suits)	28 ^h 1 ^m -	18 ^h 3 ^m 4	9 ^h 3 ^m -	47 ^h 1 ^m 6	1 ^h 6	102 ^h 8 ^m 10
Exchequer (31 Suits)	19 ^h 1 ^m 8	21 ^h 16 ^m 8	2 ^h 4 ^m 6	1 ^h 13 ^m 10	6 ^d 14	44 ^h 16 ^m 8
Common Law (2 Suits)	10 ^h 10 ^m 6	20 ^h 3 ^m 4	9 ^h 18 ^m 10	6 ^h 10 ^m -	15 ^d 8 ^m 2	47 ^h 10 ^m 10
Measures to detect forgeries &c.	16 ^h 9 ^m 4	27 ^h 16 ^m -		3 ^h 7 ^m 1	21 ^d 28	47 ^h 12 ^m 5
Respecting the application of certain American Houses to the Bank for Assistance	70 ^h 10 ^m 9	96 ^h 2 ^m 4	15 ^h 9 ^m -	73 ^h - ^h 11	29 ^d 59	255 ^h 3 ^m -
Respecting Branch Banks	11 ^h 1 ^m -	3 ^h 6 ^m 8			59 ^d 60	14 ^h 7 ^m 8
General Business	165 ^h 7 ^m 10	150 ^h 3 ^m 4	13 ^h 4 ^m 6	59 ^h 13 ^m 2	81 ^d 15 ^m 6	390 ^h 4 ^m 4
	321 ^h 2 ^m 1	344 ^h 11 ^m -	49 ^h 19 ^m 10	191 ^h 9 ^m -	2 ^h 3 ^m 8	£909 ^h 5 ^m 7
Deduct Money received by the Solicitors						149 ^h 11 ^m 3
						£759 ^h 14 ^m 4

Abstracted & Analyzed by
G. E. Gray Dep^y Sec^y
Law: Noble Assistant Sec^y

24 Dec^r. 1839

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Report on the
Solicitors' Bill

In the last Bill
of 31 Mar: 1839
£1558.19.10.

The Committee examined the
Deputy Accountant as to the state
of charge against the various Items
in the Bill, and being satisfied
therewith, the following Report was
agreed to, viz:

The Committee for Law Suits
Report to the Court of Directors,
That they have investigated
Mess^{rs} Trenchfield & Sons's Bill for
Law Charges from Easter Term 1839
to the 30th Sept^r last amounting
to £909.5.7. and they find it to be
composed of the following particulars,
viz:

£ 244.6.3

Expenses attendant on the
Appeal to the House of Lords
by the London Joint Stock Bank
ag^d the Order of the Master of the
Rolls ————— £ 7.1.10

93.8.8

Expenses attendant on 9 Suits
in Chancery ————— 102.8.10

47.11.1

D^o on 31 Suits in the Court
of Exchequer for proceedings to
remove restraints on Stock — 44.16.8

63.14.3

D^o on 2 Suits at Common Law — 47.10.10

21.10.6

Expenses consequent on the
measures taken to detect and
punish frauds & forgeries on
the Bank ————— 47.12.5

124.3.8

D^o on the measures conse-
quent upon the Assistance
afforded to certain American Houses
viz { Geo. Wildes & Co. — £9.16.8
 Tho^s Wilson & Co. — 24.5.6.4
Carried forward ————— £ 504.13.7

24 Dec^r. 183931 Mar: 1839
Branches

Brought forward — £ 504..13..7
Expences attendant on the
Sale of the late Branch
Premises at Newcastle
£ 9..16..4

£ 83..15..11

D^o on the letting the } 4..11..4
House in Portsmouth } 14..7..8

General Business

£ 325..17..6

General Business inclu-
ding various payments } 390..4..4
amounting to £ 46..12..8 — }
£ 909..5..7

Deduct Money received
by the Solicitors for costs &c. } 149..11..3

£ 1546..14..8

Balance due to the Solicitors £ 759..14..4

In the foregoing amount of
£ 909..5..7 the charge for drawing
Briefs &c. and other general Business
is — £ 321..2..1

£ 541..16.. -

349..14..4

209..18..2

442..5..7

15..5..8

For personal Attendance — 344..11.. -
For Money advanced in
Fees to Counsel £ 49..19..10.
Incidental Expences 191..9.. -
Stamps — 2..3..8

243..12..6

£ 1558..19..10

£ 909..5..7

In respect to the sum of £ 255..3.. -
the Amount of Expences consequent
on the Advances to certain American
Houses, the Committee recommend
that the Chief Cashier be directed to
apportion the same to the debit of
those Houses respectively.

The

24 December 1839
 Account of the
 Solicitors' Bills

30 Sep. 1837 £2908..2..
 Receipts — 187..2..2
 Balance £2720..19..10

31 Mar. 1838 £2349..17..10
 Receipts — 11..1..4
 Balance £2338..16..6

30 Sep. 1838 £1699..6..9
 Receipts — 935..6..6
 Balance £764....3

31 Mar. 1839 £1558..19..10
 Receipts — 12..5..2
 Balance £1546..14..8

Balance of — to the 30th September last.
 The Solicitors' Bill
 recommended to
 be paid.

The Committee have examined
 the Deputy Accountant, and being
 satisfied from his Report that
 the several charges have been
 made according to the usual rate,
 they recommend to the Court of
 Directors, that the Sum of £
 759..14..4 be paid to Messrs. Freshfield
 & Son, being the Balance of their
 present Bill for Law Charges
 to the 30th September last.

(Signed)

William Cotton
 Chairman

Bank of England
 24th Dec^r. 1839

N.B. The above report was
 approved in Court on the
 26th Dec^r. 1839 and the
 Balance of the Bill ordered
 payment.

at
 21st Jan^y. 1840

See over Leaf

Tuesday 21st January 1840
 Present

M^r. Cotton
 M^r. Neave
 M^r. Glush
 M^r. Smith.

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255th Jan^y 1840
21st Jan^y 1840

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Tuesday 21st January 1840

Present

Mr. Cotton

Mr. Scave

Mr. Luth

Mr. Smith

The Proceedings of the last Committee were read.

The Committee proceeded in the Examination of Mr. Lawrence's Accounts of Discounted Bills and Notes Unpaid also of his Account of the deposited quarterly Loan Bills unpaid, and having completed the same, the following Report thereon was agreed to be made to the Court of Directors.

24th

The Committee for Law Suits Report to the Court of Directors

That the Committee have investigated the Accounts of the London Accounts overdue Discounted Bills and Notes unpaid, and it appears that the Balance of the Outstanding Debt (not written off to the Account of Profit and Loss) on the 30th June

1839 was £9162⁴/₄ and in pursu-²⁵⁶
-ance of the Order of the Court of the
25th July last, the Sum of £340¹³/₇
was carried to the debit of Profit
and Loss, reducing the Balance to
£8821¹⁰/₅ which has been again
increased up to the 31st December
last to £9113¹⁸/₅ as will be
shewn in the details.

There has been received in
the last half Year upon the
Accounts of Bankrupts or Insol-
vents, the Balances of which have
from time to time been carried
to the debit of the Account of
Profit and Loss, the Sum of
£3899⁹/₅ which has been
placed to the Credit of that Account
in the General Ledger.

The Balance on the 30th June
last of the Accounts which accu-
mulated in the half year ending
the 31st Dec^r 1836 was £852⁵/₆
on which has been received
up to the 31st Dec^r last. — } 218¹⁴/₁₁
leaving the Balance — £633¹⁰/₇
1/3 of which is recommended
to be carried to the debit of the } 211³/₆
Account of Profit and Loss. }
Balance remaining — £422⁷/₁

The

257th
21st Jan^y 1840

The Balance on the 30th June last of the Accounts which accumulated in the half year ending the 30th June 1837 was — £7167¹⁰ 10

On which has been received up to the 31st Dec^r last } 432⁵ 5

Leaving the Balance £7035⁵ 10 which principally consists in Accounts due from the Houses in the American Trade, the probability of loss on these Accounts the Committee do not consider themselves called on to decide. —

The Balance on the 30th June last of the Accounts which accumulated in the half year ending the 31st Dec^r 1838 was — £340¹³ 7 on which nothing has since been received.

The Balance on the 30th June last of the Accounts which accumulated in the half year ending at that date was — £1161² 6 on which has been received up to the 31st Dec^r last } 60[—] — leaving the Balance — £101[—] 6

As nearly the whole of the Balances of these two half years are expected to be received, the Committee do not at present recommend any part thereof to be written off to the Account of Profit & Loss.

There

There are two *old* Accounts since the 30th June last, amounting to £1475. 2. 11 on which has been received up to 31st Dec^r, last } £571. 15. — leaving the Balance £1003. 7. 11 which it is recommended should remain for the present, the Accounts having so recently occurred.

Recapitulation of London Accounts	Balances Outstanding 30 June 1839	Receipts in the 1/2 year ending 31 Dec ^r , 1839	Balances Outstanding 31 Dec ^r , 1839
Balances of the 1/2 year ending 31 st Dec ^r , 1836	£ 852. 5. 6	£ 218. 14. 11	£ 633. 10. 7
D ^o 30 th June 1837	— 7467. 10. 10	432. 5. —	— 7035. 5. 10
D ^o 31 st Dec ^r , 1838	— 340. 13. 7	—	— 340. 13. 7
D ^o 30 th June 1839	— 161. —. 6	60. —. —	— 101. —. 6
	£ 8821. 10. 5	£ 710. 19. 11	£ 8110. 10. 6
2 <i>old</i> Accounts in the 1/2 year end ^g 31 st Dec ^r , 1839	1475. 2. 11	£ 571. 15. —	1003. 7. 11
Total Balance Outstanding 31 st Dec ^r , 1839	£ 9113. 18. 5		
now recommended to be carried to the Ac ^t of Profit & Loss from the half year's Accounts ending 31 st Dec ^r , 1836	— 211. 3. 6		
Which will reduce the outstanding Balance (not written off to Profit & Loss) to	£ 8902. 14. 11		

Branch Banks

In respect to the debt at the Branches, there has been received in the last half year, upon the Accounts of Bankrupts or Insolvents, the Balances of which have from time to time been carried to the debit of the Account of Profit and Loss, the Sum

21 Jan^y. 1840

Sum of £56^{..}17^{..}6. which has been placed to the Credit of that Account in the General Ledger.

The Balance of the Outstanding Debt (not written off to the Account of Profit & Loss) on the 30th June 1839 was ————— £640^{..}...4

viz: At Newcastle £438^{..}17^{..}10

Manchester — 201^{..}2^{..}6

£640^{..}...4

And although nothing has since been received thereon, the Committee are informed that nearly the whole of the said Balance is expected to be paid.

At the Branches, there has been no new Account in the last half year.

London of the London Quarterly
Quarterly Loan Bills unpaid, the Out-
Loan Bills Standing Balances of which have
been carried to the debit of the
Account of Profit & Loss, there has
been received the Sum of £328^{..}6^{..}7.
which has been placed to the
Credit of that Account in the
General Ledger, and no new Account
has occurred in the last half year

Bank of England
21st Jan^y. 1840.

(Signed) William Cotton
Chairman

Mem: Read in Court & agreed to 23rd Jan^y. 1840

20th Feb^r. 1840

Thursday 20th Feb^r. 1840

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Present,

Mr. Cotton

Mr. Neave

Mr. Huth

Mr. Smith.

The Proceedings of the last Committee were read.

A Report having been read from Mr. Freshfield, that the Bank have but one Counsel on the Oxford Circuit, and that

the appointment of a Counsel on the Oxford Circuit considered they have a prosecution at Stafford at the ensuing Spring Assizes, the Committee took the matter into consideration. On referring to the Minutes of the 27th February of last year it appeared that the Committee declined filling up the vacancy in question in consequence of no Business having occurred on the Circuit for many years.

Mr. Freshfield's opinion thereon was now taken, and it appearing that another Counsel will be required to conduct the prosecution at the ensuing assizes, and that Mr. William Whately is recommended

th Feb^r 1840

as the most fit person to succeed to the appointment, The Committee

Resolved,

Mr. W. Whately
appointed a
Counsel on the
Oxford Circuit.

That Mr. William
Whately be appointed a Counsel
for the Bank on the Oxford
Circuit. —

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An

17 March
1840

Tuesday 17th March 1840

Present,

Mr. Cotton

Mr. Stuth

Mr. Smith

The Proceedings of the
last Committee were read.

The Chairman reported,
that Mr. Lawrence having sub-
mitted to him the following
List of Parties to Bills overdue
and unpaid, discounted with
Hindes & Derham at the Leeds
Branch, he had given directions,
that Mr. Tushfield apply to the Parties
and proceed as necessary. viz:

Alexander

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1840

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Mr. Freshfield to
apply to and
proceed if neces-
sary -

Alexander Dawson of Glasgow,
Acceptor of Two Bills of Exchange,
overdue amounting to £1300. drawn
by Hindes and Derhams of Leeds, and
discounted with them.

To
Alexander Dawson

Henry Sunderland

John Kirkby

Henry Sunderland, of Huddersfield,
Drawer of a Bill of Exchange, overdue,
amounting to £178. 11⁰⁰ - accepted
by John Kirkby of Kirkheaton, and
discounted with Hindes & Derhams
of Leeds.

John Kirkby of Kirkheaton
Acceptor of a Bill of Exchange,
overdue, amounting to £178. 11⁰⁰ -
drawn by the above H⁰. Sunderland
of Huddersfield, and discounted with
Hindes & Derhams of Leeds

Stansfeld and
Prichards

Stansfeld and
Newman

Stansfeld and Prichards, of Leeds,
drawers of a Bill of Exchange, overdue,
amounting to £1294. 12⁰⁰ 6, accepted
by Stansfeld & Newman of W⁰. 35,
Milk Street Cheapside, and dis-
counted with Hindes & Derhams
of Leeds

Stansfeld & Newman of W⁰. 35
Milk Street Cheapside Acceptors of a
Bill

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 Mansfield and
 Prichard

Bill of Exchange, overdue, amounting
 to £1294 "12" 6. drawn by the above
 Mansfield & Prichard, and discounted
 with Hindes & Derhams of Leeds

James Senior

James Senior of Lapsells Hall
 near Huddersfield Acceptor of Two
 Bills of Exchange, overdue,
 amounting to £1243, 6. - drawn
 by Hindes & Derhams of Leeds and
 discounted with them

Edw. Tolson and
 Brothers

Edward Tolson & Brothers of
 Huddersfield Acceptors of two Bills
 of Exchange, overdue, amounting to
 £975, 3, 6. drawn by Hindes and
 Derhams of Leeds and discounted
 with them.

John Midgley

John Midgley of Almondbury
 near Huddersfield Acceptor of a
 Bill of Exchange overdue, amount-
 ing to £500. drawn by Hindes and
 Derhams of Leeds and discounted
 with them.

Mr Lawrence stated that
 all the above Parties had been
 written to in the usual way
 without effect.

The

The following Letter from
Mess^{rs} Freshfield and Son being read.
viz:

5 New Bank
Buildings, 12 March 1850

"Sir

"In obedience to the in-
structions contained in your
Letter of the 7th inst. we wrote
to the several parties therein
mentioned and beg to report
that we have received the fol-
lowing replies in answer to
our applications.

"From the Attornies of Mr.
Henry Sunderland of Sunderland
stating that he is in embarrassed
circumstances
and is offering his creditors 1/-
in the pound, which if not
accepted he will be compelled
to take the benefit of the Insolvent
Act - The Letter also states,
that John Kirkby the Acceptor
of the Bill of which Mr. Sunderland
is the drawer is well able to pay
the Amount.

"From the Attornies of
Mess^{rs} Stausfeld and Prichard of
Leeds

Mess^{rs} Freshfield
& Son's Report

of replies from

Henry Sunderland
offers 1/- in the
L.

John Kirkby
is able to pay

Stausfeld and
Prichard

17th Mar: 1840

expect to pay
 $\frac{4}{9}$ in the £.

Stansfeld and
 Newman, will
 submit an
 arrangement

James Senior
 is become Bank
 rupt.

Edward Tolson
 Brothers have
 become Bank-
 rupt

"Leeds offering £800. to be divided
 "among their Creditors which
 "they expect will yield $\frac{4}{9}$ in
 "the pound — a Fiat has been
 "issued against these Persons
 "which will be opened if the
 "Bank of England should con-
 "sider it necessary.

"From the Attornies of
 "Mess^{rs} Stansfeld & Newman
 "of Milk Street Cheapside
 "Stating that a Deed of
 "arrangement is in course
 "of signature; and will be
 "submitted to the Bank of
 "England in due course.

"From the Attornies of
 "James Senior of Lapsells
 "Hall near Huddersfield, stating
 "that he has become Bankrupt
 "and passed his examination
 "on the 21st Ult^o and will
 "probably obtain his certificate
 "in a few days.

"From the Assignees of
 "Edward Tolson, Brothers of
 "Huddersfield, stating that they
 "have become Bankrupts and
 "that the next meeting for the
 proof

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"proof of Debts will be held on the 16th
"April next at Huddersfield.

Samuel Midgley
for John Midgley
offering a Com-
position.

"From ^{Mr} Samuel Midgley brother
"of John Midgley of Hornsburgy
"near Huddersfield offering £250.
"in full, and in the event of law
"proceedings being commenced
"that the ~~the~~ latter must assign
"his effects to his Creditors in
"consequence of the embarrassed
"state of his affairs.

"A Letter from the Attornies
"of Mr. John Midgley is also received
"recommending the Bank to accept
"this Sum.

"We have not received any
"reply from Mr. Alexander
"Dawson of Glasgow or Mr. John
"Kirkby of Kirkheaton.

"We are Sir
"your mo. obed. Serv^t

"Wrestfield & Sons,
"John Watts Esq.

Resolved,

Henry Sunderland's
offer rejected

That the offer of Henry
Sunderland be rejected.

Samuel Midgley's
proposal accepted

That Samuel Midgley's
proposal be accepted.

That

17th March

1840

In these cases
will wait the
decision of the
other Creditors.

That in the Cases of Stansfeld
and Prichard and Stansfeld and
Newman the Committee will
wait to see what the other Creditors
have done.

Mr Lawrence laid before
the Committee the following
Cases. viz:

Joseph Whitehead
Joseph Whitehead of Kirkheaton,
Acceptor of a Bill of Exchange,
overdue, amounting to £22.16⁰.
drawn by Henry Sunderland of
Henry Sunderland
Huddersfield and discounted with
Hindes & Derhams of Leeds

Coldbeck & Andrews
Coldbeck and Andrews of Leeds,
Acceptors of a Bill of Exchange,
overdue, amounting to £300. drawn
by Hindes & Derhams of Leeds and
discounted with them.

Resolved,

To be written to
by Mr. Rushfield

That Mr. Rushfield be
directed to write to the above
Parties.

Edw. P. Tolson
and Brothers

Edward Tolson & Brothers of
Huddersfield, Acceptors of a Bill
of

17th March 1840

of Exchange, overdue, amounting to
£284.7.6. drawn by Henry Sunderland
of Huddersfield and Discounted with
Hindes & Derhams of Leeds. - These
Parties are become Bankrupt.

Henry Sunderland
are
become Bankrupt

Depositions
read against Ann
Glover and
Job Haines for
uttering & forged
Bank Notes in
Worcestershire

Depositions having been
read by Mr. Freshfield, against
Ann Glover and Job Haines - the
first for uttering and the latter
for having in possession a forged
£5. Bank of England Note in
Worcestershire

Ordered

The Parties to
be prosecuted

That the said Ann Glover
and Job Haines be prosecuted.

1st
1st April
1840

Wednesday 1st April 1840

Present

- Mr. Cotton
- Mr. Grenfell
- Mr. Smith.

The Proceedings of the
Last Committee were read.

The

The Chairman informed the
1 April 1840 Committee that since the last meeting
he had received the following reports
from Mess^{rs} Freshfield. viz:

" 25th March 1840

Mess^{rs} Freshfield
Report

replies from
Mess^{rs} Dawson
and
John Kirkby

" Mess^{rs} Freshfield report that
" they have received the following replies
" from Mess^{rs} Dawson of Glasgow
" and John Kirkby of Kirkheaton
" in answer to applications made
" to those parties by orders of the
" Law Committee dated 7th March.
" instant from Mess^{rs} A. Dawson
" stating that a sequestration
" of his Estate had been awarded
" by the Court at Glasgow in
" Jan^y last, and that the Banks
" and other Creditors there had
" agreed to an arrangement
" under such sequestration by
" which much expence would
" be saved and the Estate rendered
" more available for the Creditors—
" Mess^{rs} Dawson further states his
" intention to be in London
" early in April next when he
" will be prepared to render any
" explanation in regard to the
" above arrangement.

" Fynn

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"From Mr. John Kirkby stating
"his inability to pay any sum at
"present but will do so as soon
"as he is enabled to convert his
"Goods into Money.

"That they have not received
"any communication from
"Mr. Joseph Whitehead of Kirkstall
"or from Mess^{rs} Coldbeck and
"Andrews of Leeds in answer to
"the applications that have been
"made to him.

" 26th March 1840

"Mess^{rs} Freshfield report
"that they have commenced pro-
"ceedings against Henry Sunderland
"of Huddersfield as the Drawer of
"a Bill of Exchange for £178.14s -
"and have received a communica-
"tion from their correspondent
"at that place stating that he is
"in circumstances quite unable
"to pay the demand, but that John
"Kirkby the Acceptor of the Bill,
"is able to pay the amount -
"Mess^{rs} Freshfield therefore recom-
"mend that proceedings be com-
"menced against John Kirkby.

"J. Watts Esq."

The

Proceedings com-
menced against
Henry Sunderland

Recommend
to proceed agst
John Kirkby

1 April 1840

Proceedings to
be commenced
against John
Kirkby

The Chairman further stated
that in accordance with the fore-
going recommendation, he had
directed, that proceedings be com-
menced against John Kirkby.

The Committee approved
thereof.

Depositions
read against George
Fitzgerald for
uttering forged
Bank Notes in
Middlesex

Depositions were read against
George Fitzgerald for uttering three
forged Bank of England notes in
Middlesex, viz: one five and two
Ten Pound Notes

Ordered,

The said George
Fitzgerald to be
prosecuted

That the said George
Fitzgerald be prosecuted.

9th April
1840

"At a Court of Directors at
"the Bank on Thursday the 9th
"April 1840.

New Committee
appointed

"The following Gentlemen
"were appointed for the year
"ensuing, - a Committee for
"Law Suits, for the purpose of
"ordering what prosecutions
"shall be commenced and
"giving such directions for
"the management of them
"and the retaining of Counsel
"and preferring Indictments,
"as they may Judge expedient;
"and also to consider the State
"of the Unpaid Bills and
"Notes, agreeably to the recom-
"mendation of the Committee
"as approved by the Court
"the 24th March 1838."

"Mr. Heath "Mr. Pearce

"Mr. Gower "Mr. Meguelin

"John Watts
Secy."

22/5 April 1840

Wednesday 15th April 1840

Present,

Mr. Heath

Mr. Gower

Mr. Pearce

Mr. Hequelin.

The Proceedings of the last Committee were read.

Depositions were read against William Jarvis for having in his possession four forged Bank of England Notes in notes in Warwick-Warwickshire: viz: 2 Tens and 2 Fives. — And it appearing from a Report of Mr. Freshfield that the Prisoner is indicted in Wiltshire for horse stealing.

Ordered

to be prosecuted if acquitted of forgery that the said horse stealing William Jarvis be prosecuted by the Bank in case of acquittal on the charge of horse stealing.

A recommendation was signed, to the Governor for the payment of Joshua Freeman

Disbursements
Joshua Freeman's
Disbursements
Disbursements &c. (£44..8.) during his attendance to give evidence on the Trials of Persons at Stafford, Lewes, and Liverpool for uttering &c. forged Bank of England Notes, and also for his endeavouring to trace at several places in Wales the utterance of £5. Bank of England Notes which had been altered to tens, connected with Mr. Freeman's report of the 4th December 1839.

Recommended to be paid

Mr. Lawrence laid before the Committee the following communication from Mess^{rs} Freshfield. 117.

Report of Mess^{rs} Freshfield &c. on the cases of John Kirkby and

Henry Sunderland

"Mess^{rs} Freshfield beg to report
"the accompanying Letters from
"their Agent at Huddersfield
"on the subject of the proceedings
"pending against Kirkby and
"Sunderland, the Drawer and
"Acceptor of a Bill for £178..11s.
"and Mess^{rs} F. - beg to recommend
"that they should be authorised to take
"a confession of the two Actions from
"the parties as proposed with an
"engagement for the payment
"of

The Letters returned to Mess^{rs} Freshfield

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15 April 1840

The proposition by
Hutchings to pay
£30. per month.

of the amount due by instal-
ments, to avoid unnecessary
expense.

New Bank Buildings
April 14 - 1840.

agreed to.

The Committee agreed thereto.

29th April 1840

Wednesday 29th April 1840

Present

Mr. Heath

Mr. Gower

Mr. Pearce

The Proceedings of the
last Committee were read.

Depositions
ag^t John Williams
and

Cadwallader
Lewis for
uttering forged
£10. Notes in
Carnarvonshire
and North Wales

Depositions were read
against John Williams, and
Cadwallader Lewis for a Joint
Utterance of a forged £10. Bank
of England Note in Carnarvonshire,
also against the Prisoner Cadwallader
Lewis for uttering singly several
similar forged £10. Bank of
England Notes in North Wales.

The forgery of the above Notes
it

th 29th April 1840 (it appeared) consisted in the alteration^{2/6 8/}
of £5. Bank of England Notes to
£10's. and Mr. Joshua Freeman

The forgery
consists in the
alteration £5.
Bank Notes to
£10. -

the Inspector who has been in-
strumental in the apprehension
of the Prisoners, attended, and
produced the die and other in-
plements for altering the notes,
found, partly at the lodging of
Williams and partly at the House

The die and other
implements bearing to be the opinion of Mr.
found, produced. James Freshfield, that the evidence
(Kept in the possession
of Mr. Freeman) is clear against both Prisoners,

The said
John Williams
and
Cadwallader
Lewis to be
prosecuted

Ordered,

That the said John Williams
and Cadwallader Lewis be prosecuted.

Mr. Lawrence attended
with the following statement.

viz:

William Spensley's
request

William Spensley of Great
Winchester Street Silk Merchant,
Indorser of two collateral Bills,
amounting to £2314. 14. 10. requests,
that the Bank will agree with
his other Creditors to an assign-
ment of his effects in trust to
Thomas Stokes of Shoreneedle Street,

Samuel

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29th April 1840Samuel Bean of Nottingham
and John Batt of Old Broad Street.

agreed to

The Committee agreed thereto.

Jos. Whitmore's
request

Joseph Whitmore, Drawer of
the above two Bills, requests the Bank
will consent, with his other Creditors,
to the above named Trustees of
William Spensley receiving the Sum
of £3500. to be equally divided amongst
his Creditors, and to give him a discharge
from all further liabilities.

agreed to

The Committee agree thereto.

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22nd June 1840Monday 22nd June 1840

Present,

Mr. Fleath

Mr. Weguelin

The Proceedings of the last
Committee were read.

Joshua Freeman's
Disbursements for
the Month of
April recom-
mended to be
paid.

The Chairman reported that
on the 27th May he had signed a re-
commendation for the payment of
Joshua Freeman's Disbursements &c.
(£34.5.3) in the Month of April for
col -

22nd June 1840

for collecting evidence at various places
in North Wales against John Williams
and Cadwallader Lewis for uttering
forged Bank Notes. —

Mess^{rs} Freshfield and
Son's Bill for Law Charges

The Solicitors' amounting to £1889. 1. 6. for the
Bill considered
1/2 year ending the 31st March last
having been taken into considera-
tion, and the following Abstract
thereof having been examined. viz:

Abstract

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The

The Committee examined the Deputy Accountant and being satisfied with his Report as to the Charges having been made in the present Bill, according to the usual Rate, agreed on the following Report to the Court. viz:

The Committee for Law Suits
Report to the Court of Directors

Report on the
Solicitors' Bill
for Law Charges

That they have investigated Mess^{rs} Freshfield & Son's Bill for Law Charges from Michaelmas Term 1839 to 31st March last, amounting to £1889..1..6, and they find it to be composed of the following particulars. viz:

Expences attendant on the Appeal to the House of Lords by the London Joint Stock Bank against the Order of the Master of the Rolls ~~~~~ £ 10..14..-

Expences attendant on 7 Suits in Chancery ~~~~~ 100..16..5

D^o on 37 Suits in the Court of Exchequer, principally for proceedings to remove restraints on Stock ~~~~~ 83..15..2

D^o on 2 Suits at Common Law ~~~~~ 7..5..2

Expences attendant on Criminal Prosecutions agst 8 Persons. viz. ~~~~~
carried forward ~~~~~ £ 202..10..9

281/22 June 1840

Brought forward — £202¹⁹/₉

The Report on
the Solicitors'
Bill continued

viz:

1 For a Misdemeanor in inciting
a Fraudulent Transfer of Stock
£145²/₂

4 For uttering forged
Bank of England Notes — 636¹⁵/₂

781¹⁷/₂

Expences consequent on the
Measures taken to detect and
punish frauds and forgeries
on the Bank —

61¹⁵/₁

Expences attendant on the
Sale of the Old Branch Bank
at Newcastle — £8¹/₈

Ditto on Account of a
Sewer at the Portsm^r Branch 12¹⁵/₇

20¹⁷/₃

Respecting proceedings to pro-
cure Security from Messrs. Lewis
and Davies in respect of their
acceptances of Bills discounted
at the Gloucester Branch,
which Charge it is expected
will be recovered of Mr. Lewis — 102¹⁴/₉

Expences attendant on the
Measures consequent upon
the Assistance afforded
to certain American Houses

viz: Geo. Wildes Esq. £13¹³/₄

T. Wilson Esq. — 30¹⁷/_—

Mess^{rs} Wiggins Esq. — 14¹⁸/₁₁

The Duttyth Kohn

Daron Esq. New Orleans 12¹⁶/₁₀

72⁶/₁

Respecting the Purchase by the
City of a part of Bank Buildings — 203¹⁷/₄

General Business £228⁸/₆

Various payments — 214¹⁴/₇

443³/₁

carried forward — £1889¹/₆

Brought forward ——— £1889¹ 1⁶
Deduct Money received by the
Solicitors for Costs &c. — £156⁶ 6⁵
Balance due to the Solicitors £1732¹⁵ 1

Amount of the
Solicitors' Bills

31 Mar: 1838 £2349¹⁷ 10
Receipts — 11¹ 5⁴
Balance £2338¹⁶ 6
30 Sep: 1838 £1699⁶ 9
Receipts — 935⁶ 6
Balance £764¹¹ 3
31 Mar: 1839 £1558¹⁹ 10
Receipts — 12⁵ 2
Balance £1546¹⁴ 8
30 Sep: 1839 £909⁵ 7
Receipts — 149¹¹ 3
Balance — 759¹⁴ 4

In the foregoing Amount of
£1889¹ 1⁶, the Charge for drawing
Bills &c: and other general Business
is ——— £569¹⁵ 2
For personal attendance — 447³ 10
For Money advanced in
Fees to Counsel £200¹⁴ 4
Incidental Expenses 671⁸ 2
872² 6
£1889¹ 1⁶

In respect to the Sum of
£72⁶ 1. the Amount of Expenses
consequent on the advances to certain
American Houses, the Committee
recommended that the Chief Cashier
be directed to apportion the same
to the debit of those Houses respec-
tively.

The Committee have ex-
amined the Deputy Accountant,
and being satisfied from his Report
that the several charges have been
made according to the usual rate,
they recommend to the Court of
Directors that the Sum of £1732¹⁵ 1
be paid to Mess^{rs} Freshfield & Son,
being

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Report on the
Solicitors Bill
concluded

being the Balance of their present
Bill for Law Charges to the 31st
March last.

(signed) J. B. Heath

Bank of England

22nd June 1840

Mem: The above was read
in Court and approved
2nd July 1840.

15th July 1840

Wednesday 15th July 1840

Present

Mr. Heath

Mr. Pearce

Mr. Megglin

The Proceedings of the
last Committee were read.

Joshua Freeman's
Disbursements
for the Month of
May recommended
to be paid.

The Chairman reported, that
on the 2nd Instant, he had signed a
recommendation for the payment of
Joshua Freeman's Disbursements
(£36.6.-) in the Month of May, for
attending at Carnarvon on the
final Examination and Commitment
of Williams and Lewis for uttering
forged Bank Notes, and collecting
further evidence in North Wales for
the prosecution.

The

15th July 1840

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The Committee proceeded in the Examination of Mr. Lawrence's Accounts of Discounted Bills and Notes unpaid, also of his Account of the deposited quarterly Loan Bills unpaid, and having completed the same, the following Report thereon was agreed to be made to the Court of Directors. viz:

The Committee for Law Suits
Report to the Court of Directors

Report on the
Accounts of the
Discounted Bills
and Notes Unpaid

That the Committee have investigated the Accounts of the overdue Discounted Bills and Notes unpaid, and it appears that the Balance of the Outstanding Debt (not written off to the Account of Profit and Loss) on the 31st December 1839 was £9113. 18. 5, and in pursuance of the order of the Court of the 23rd January last the Sum of £211. 3. 6 was carried to the debit of Profit & Loss, reducing the Balance to £8902. 14. 11. which has been further increased up to the 30th June last to £9394. 11. 9. as will be shown in the details.

London
Accounts

There

285) 15th July
1840

There has been received in the last half year upon the Accounts of Bankrupts or Insolvents, the Balances of which have from time to time been carried to the debit of the Account of Profit and Loss, the Sum of £652..0..6 which has been placed to the Credit of that Account in the General Ledger.

The Balance on the 31st Dec^r last of the Accounts which accumulated in the half year ending the 31st December 1836 was £422..7..1 on which has been received up to the 30th June last — } 171..10..4 leaving the Balance — £250..16..9 which, it is recommended should remain for the present as the whole is expected to be received.

The Balance on the 31 Dec^r last of the Accounts which accumulated in the half year ending the 30th June 1837 was £7035..5..10 On which has been received up to the 30th June last — } 118..13..— leaving the Balance — £6916..12..10 of which the Committee recommend to be carried to the debit of the Account of Profit and Loss — } 3916..12..10 Balance remaining — £3000..0..0

The Balance on the 31st Dec^r, last, 286⁸/₁₀₀,
of the Accounts which accumulated
in the half year ending the 31st Dec^r,
1838, was ~~~~~ £ 340¹³/₁₀₀ 7¹/₂

On which has been received
up to the 30th June last ~~~~~ } 90¹⁷/₁₀₀
leaving the Balance ~~~~~ £ 249¹⁶/₁₀₀ 7¹/₂

The Balance on the 31st Dec^r, last
of the Accounts which accumulated
in the half year ending the 30th June
1839 was ~~~~~ £ 101¹/₁₀₀ 6¹/₂

on which nothing has since been
received.

The Balance on the 31st Dec^r, last
of the Accounts which accumu-
lated in the half year ending at
that date was ~~~~~ £ 1003⁷/₁₀₀ 11¹/₂

On which has been received
up to the 30th June last ~~~~~ } 203⁷/₁₀₀ 2¹/₂
leaving the Balance ~~~~~ £ 800¹/₁₀₀ 9¹/₂

The Committee recommend
that the Balances of the three
half years last mentioned should
remain for the present, the greater
part thereof being expected to be
received.

There is one new Account
since the 31st Dec^r, last, amounting
to

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To £2689.3.1
 On which has been received
 up to the 30th June last } 1613.9.9
 leaving the Balance £1075.13.4
 which, it is recommended, should
 remain for the present, the Accounts
 having so recently occurred.

Recapitulation
 of London Accounts

	Balances out Standing 31. Dec. 1839.	Receipts in the 1/2 Year ending 30. June 1840.	Balances out Standing 30 th June 1840.
Balances of the 1/2 year ending 31 Dec ^r . 1836	£ 422.7.1	£ 171.10.4	£ 250.16.9
D ^r . 30 June 1837	— 7035.5.10	— 118.13.—	— 6916.12.10
D ^r . 31 Dec ^r . 1838	— 340.13.7	— 90.17.—	— 249.16.7
D ^r . 30 June 1839	— 101.—.6	— ———	— 101.—.6
D ^r . 31 Dec ^r . "	— 1003.7.11	203.7.2	— 800.—.9
	£ 8902.14.11	£ 584.7.6	£ 8318.7.5
One New Acc ^t . in the 1/2 year ending 30 June 1840	£ 2689.3.1	£ 1613.9.9	£ 1075.13.4
Total Balance Outstanding 30 th June 1840			£ 9394.—.9
now recommended to be carried to the Acc ^t . of Profit & Loss			£ 3916.12.10
Which will reduce the Outstanding Balance			£ 5477.7.11
(not written off to Profit & Loss) to			

Branch
 Banks

It the Branches there has
 been received in the last half year,
 upon the Accounts of Bankrupts
 or Insolvents, the Balances of which
 have from time to time been
 carried to the debit of the Account
 of Profit and Loss, the Sum of £21.6.6
 which has been placed to the Credit of
 that Account in the General Ledger.
 The

The Balance of the Outstanding Debt (not written off to the Account of Profit and Loss) on the 31st December last was £640. 11. 4

v13:
At Newcastle At Manchester
£438. 17. 10. — £201. 2. 6

Received in the 1/4th on the Manchester Acc^t } — 5. 11. 7 — 5. 11. 7
reducing the Man- } 196. 1. 11
chester Balance to — } —

And the Balance at the Branches to £634. 19. 9
which the Committee recommend should remain for the present.

There are two New Accounts since the 31st Dec^r last, at the Leeds Branch amounting to £739. 1. 9.

On which has been received } — 650. 10. —
up to the 30th June last — }
leaving the Balance — £674. 10. 19.

Which the Committee recommend should remain for the present, the Accounts having so recently occurred.

London Quarterly
Loan Bills

of the London Quarterly Loan Bills unpaid, the Outstanding Balances of which have been carried to the debit of the Account of Profit & Loss, there has been received the Sum of £4. 18. 6. which has been placed to the Credit of that Account in the General Ledger, and no New Account has occurred in the last half year.

Mem. Read in Court
and agreed to 16th July
1840

Bank of England
15th July 1840

(Signed) L. B. Heath
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Memorial of James Price & John Fellows

The 2 forged notes deposited in the Inspector's Office

for Expenses on the prosecution of Isaac Bird at Stafford

A Memorial of James Price and John Fellows (with two forged Bank Notes) received enclosed in a Letter from J. M. Harris of Wolverhampton, was read, praying for some remuneration for Expenses incurred by them in the prosecution & conviction at the last Lent Assizes at Stafford, of Isaac Bird, for the possession of a forged Bank Note

Mr. Freshfield's opinion thereon

And Mr. Freshfield Junr. being of opinion, that consistently with the practice in such cases, there is no ground for the present claim, no representation appearing to have been made to the Bank before the Parties undertook the Prosecution the Committee Resolved,

Application cannot be entertained.

That the application of Mess^{rs} Price and Fellows cannot be entertained.

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24th July 1840

Friday 24th July 1840

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Present,

Mr. Heath

Mr. Gower

Mr. Meguelin

The Proceedings of the
last Committee were read.

Mr. James Freshfield Junr.

attended the Committee, and read

Depositions

read against

Depositions against Benjamin

Benjⁿ Bradnock Bradnock and Sarah Pritchett for the

and

Sarah Pritchett forgery of Bank of England Notes

for the forgery of in Warwickshire.

Bank of England

Notes in Warwickshire

Mr. Freeman the Investigator

also attended and produced a Box

The Copper Plates

and other Im-

plements for

the forgery taken

with the Prisoners

Produced

containing engraved Copper Plates for

5 and 10 Pound Notes, Copper Plates for

the Water Mark, Type for the Date Line,

Punches for figures, several notes finished

and others in an unfinished state, all

taken with the prisoners

Ordered

to be prosecuted

That the said Benjamin
Bradnock and Sarah Pritchett be
prosecuted

Depositions

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24th July 1840

Depositions
read ag^t John
Williams for
uttering a forged
£5. Bank Note
in Lancashire

to be submitted
for the Court's
opinion.

Depositions were read against
John Williams for uttering a forged
£5. Bank of England note in Lancashire,
and it appearing doubtful whether
the evidence produced would be suf-
ficient to convict the Prisoner, the
Committee postponed consideration
of the matter until after Thursday
next, when, the Chairman was
requested to submit the case for
the opinion of the Court of Directors.

5th August
1840

Wednesday 5th August 1840

Present,

Mr. Heath

Mr. Gower

Mr. Pearce

Mr. Meguelin

The Proceedings of the last
Committee were read.

The Chairman reported
having submitted the case
of John Williams to the
Court who referred it
back to this Committee.

The Chairman reported that he
had, in accordance with the Minute of the
last meeting, submitted the case of John
Williams for uttering a forged £5 Bank of
England

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England Note in Lancashire, to the Court of Directors. and that the Court had referred it back to the Committee for Law Suits to give such directions therein as they should see fit.

Mr. Freshfield informed that the Bank declines to prosecute J. Williams

In consequence of which, he had desired it to be communicated to Mr. Freshfield that the Bank decline to prosecute the said John Williams, that appearing to be the unanimous opinion of the Committee at the last meeting.

The Chairman further informed the Committee that since the last meeting he had received a Letter from Mr. James Freshfield, on the Subject of this prosecution, which, as it contained opinions of some importance he proposed should be entered on the Minutes.

The Committee agreed thereto.

The Letter is as follows, viz:

"My dear Sir,

Letter from Mr Jas.
Freshfield
on the Subject of the
prosecution of
John Williams.

"I venture to trouble you with
"some observations on the Lancashire prosecution
"which you propose to bring before the Court,
"because tho' the particular question is of no
"moment, the grounds of the determination will
"have a material influence on the future conduct
"to be observed in criminal prosecutions.

"The

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Mr. Jas. Freshfield's

Letter continued

"The Question whether the Bank should
 "at all, and if at all, to what extent, it should
 "protect its circulation by prosecuting persons
 "charged with forging or uttering forged notes, is
 "one of policy. - The expense may exceed the
 "object, but generally it may be assumed, that
 "the best protection is by keeping in its own hands
 "the prosecution of offenders. The Mint does this -
 "The private issuing Bankers do so, and the
 "Bankers of London formed an association
 "for the purpose, in consequence of the inconvenience
 "of leaving it to individuals - For some time past
 "the forgeries upon the Bank have been very few
 "which I am disposed to ascribe to a belief
 "that the vigilance and known determination of
 "the Bank to prosecute, induced offenders to
 "embark in some other line of fraud. -
 "There are also great advantages in the
 "uniformity of action adopted by a Body like
 "the Bank - I will mention one - It has been
 "established as a rule of law in aid of the
 "Bank, that an Inspector may prove the
 "forgery of a Note whereas in every other case
 "the Signer is required, if it were left to
 "individuals, they would frequently require the
 "attendance of the Signers, to the number
 "perhaps of 5 or 6 in each case, and the
 "practice once broken in upon, the rule
 "would go."

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"From the past course taken by the
"Bank and other Bodies there is an expectation
"that the Bank will prosecute, and, when at
"the last Assizes at Stafford, there were two
"cases tried, in which the Bank declined to
"interfere, there was great dissatisfaction expressed
"by the Judge - the Grand Jury, and the
"Magistrates - and it was with reference to
"this feeling that I was desirous this question
"should be considered - If the Bank should
"in any degree determine to alter its practice,
"it would be my duty to make known this,
"and to satisfy the authorities on the subject,
"which I should take measures to do. But
"while the omission of the Bank to prosecute,
"implies an opinion, that the case is not one
"proper for prosecution, the Bank is exposed
"to observation, if the Court think otherwise.

"In the particular case before you,
"I have great doubt of a conviction, but the
"party is clearly guilty, and the Magistrate
"has determined, and I think rightly, to
"send him for trial - The only question then
"is if the Bank will prosecute, - If it is
"a proper case for prosecution, the Bank, by
"omitting to prosecute, do, to some degree,
"withdraw from that particular protection of
"the circulation of the Notes.

"Ib

5th Aug^r 1840.Mr. Jas. Freshfield's
Letter continued

"It has been said that the bad execution
"of the Notes, and the careless conduct of
"parties should excuse the Bank - In regard
"to the former, I may be allowed to say, that
"the Notes forged by the persons taken at
"Birmingham, are some of the worst I have
"seen, and the argument would extend to the
"impunity of those persons who actually made
"them, but, the answer is that those Notes
"do deceive, and, as to the conduct of the
"parties, I can only say that, for the most
"part, laws are for the protection of the
"Ignorant and Careless - The Prudent and
"Intelligent take care of themselves.

"When the Bank called in their
"£1. Notes they refused to prosecute for
"forgeries of them, because they ceased to
"desire to protect them, and, if the Bank's new
"Notes were out, it would be a reason for not
"prosecuting for forgeries of the old Note. -

"Further, if the conduct of the parties
"were allowed to constitute an exemption,
"then, virtually, the circulation of Bank
"Notes would be checked among the ignorant
"and careless, who embrace a large proportion of
"mankind, - In the case of coin - every man
"may ascertain with certainty, its goodness,
"yet the omission to do so has never been
"thought to exempt the Mint from the duty of

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Mr Jas. Freshfield's
Letter continued

"of prosecuting.

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"There is a more powerful argument
"as applicable to a weak case, viz. That an
"unsuccessful prosecution does harm -
"this goes however not to the general principle,
"but to the facts of each particular case -
"the Rule of the Bank has ever been to see
"that there was a reasonable prospect of conviction.
- It has been much more difficult to form a
"fair judgment on this subject, since the alteration
"of the law allowing Prisoners Counsel - but when
"the case occurs of a person clearly guilty, I incline
"to think that he and his associates are greatly
"deterred by the danger he sustains through a
"strenuous prosecution.

"I am fully sensible of the expence
"to the Bank, and, in doubtless in this view
"the question is one purely of policy, but, I would
"take the liberty of suggesting that if the
"prosecution of offenders is an obligation
"flowing from the maintenance of a paper
"circulation, the expence must be looked at with
"some reference to the amount of Issue.

Letter concluded.

"S. J. P. Heath Esq.:

"I must apologize for having troubled you so
"much at length, but I am desirous that the
"Question should be considered in reference to
"its different bearings, and I shall endeavour
"zealously to carry out whatever line the Court
"may think it expedient to resolve upon.

"I am, my dear Sir,

Your faithful Serv^t

"New Bank Buildings

"29th July 1840." (Signed) "Jas. Freshfield Junr."

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Depositions against
Thomas Williams
alias
Thomas Wilson

Depositions having been read against
Thomas Williams alias Thomas Wilson for
uttering a forged L5 Bank of England Note
at Chester,

Ordered,

to be prosecuted

That the said Thomas
Williams alias Thomas Wilson be
prosecuted. ✓

7th Sept 1840

Monday 7th Sept 1840

Present

Mr. Heath

Mr. Pearce

Joshua Freeman
and
James Barton's
disb^{ts} ordered
Paym^{ts}

The Chairman reported that
on the 4th Sept. he had signed a
recommendation for the payment of
Joshua Freeman's disbursements (£52.16)
for attending to give evidence on the
trial of Persons at Birmingham, Carnarvon,
Warwick and Devizes; — also, for the
payment of £23. 2. 6 for James Barton's
disbursements for his attendance to give
evidence at Worcester, Chester and
Liverpool.

Depositions of
Joseph Harris.

Depositions having been read against
Joseph Harris for uttering a forged L10
Note in Shropshire

Ordered,

7th Sept 1840

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Ordered,
That the said Joseph
to be prosecuted Harris be prosecuted

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26th Oct^r 1840

Monday 26th Oct^r 1840

Present

M^r. Heath

M^r. Pearse

M^r. Meguelin

The Proceedings of the last
Committee were read.

The Chairman reported that
since the last meeting he had read
Depositions ag^t Thomas Mason
for uttering a forged £10. Bank
Note in Lancashire

Depositions against Thomas Mason
for uttering a forged £10. Bank of
England Note at Bolton, Lancashire.

As a forgery, the Note was of the
very worst description, and the Prisoner
was so ignorant that he had offered
the Note to a Publican as a five, who
carelessly gave him change for it
as such — and the mistake was not
discovered until the Note was
passed to the Brewer's Collector.

Under the peculiar circum-
stances therefore of the case and M^r.
Freshfield having stated that he
could

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26th Oct. 1840prosecution
declinedDepositions
agst Thos. Godsall
for having in his
possession a
forged £5. Bank
of England Note
at Worcestercould not recommend the Bank
to interfere - The Chairman said
that he had declined to prosecute.

The Chairman further reported
that he had also read a deposition
from Mr. Geo. A. Howitt, Super-
intendent of Constabulary at
Worcester, against Thos. Godsall
for having in his possession a
forged £5. Bank of England Note,
and Mr. Freshfield being of opinion
that the evidence was insufficient
to convict the party, prosecution
had been declined.

Depositions
agst Thomas
Midmer for
uttering forged
Bank Notes in
Sussex

Mr. Freshfield being in
attendance, depositions were
read against Thomas Midmer
for uttering forged Bank of England
Notes in Sussex.

Ordered

to be prosecuted

That the said Thomas
Midmer be prosecuted.Depositions
agst Geo. Ferrers
for uttering a
forged £5. Newcastle
Branch Note in
Northumberland

Depositions having also
been read against George Ferrers
for uttering a forged £5. Newcastle
Branch Bank of England Note
in

26th Oct^r 1840 in Northumberland, and it appearing
from a Report of Mr. Freshfield that
the Bank would fail in proof of
Identity. It was

Resolved,

prosecution
declined

That the said George
Ferrers be not prosecuted.

Edw.^d Rumsey

Williams applies

The Committee read an
application from Mr. Edward
Rumsey Williams an Attorney
at Carnarvon for the payment
for expenses in of Expenses stated to have been in-
the prosecution - curred by him as connected with
of Williams and the prosecution of John Williams
Lewis at
Carnarvon

and C. Lewis at Carnarvon, for
altering and uttering forged
Bank of England Notes.

Mr. Freshfield's
opinion

On consulting Mr. Freshfield
it appeared that the greater part of
the Services enumerated in Mr. Williams's
Bill had been done by other parties
and already paid for, and that Mr.
Williams had been offered payment
at Carnarvon to the extent of what
he was entitled to. under these cir-
cumstances The Committee

Resolved,

26th Oct. 1840 Resolved,

payment of the
Whole declined
and
Mr. Freshfield
to write.

That payment of the whole
Account be declined, and that
it be referred to Mr. Freshfield with
a request that he will write to
the Party.

6th Jan^y 1841

Wednesday 6th Jan^y 1841

Present
Mr. Heath
Mr. Gower
Mr. Regelin

The Proceedings of the
last Committee were read.

Depositions
against John
Easthope Colling-
wood for uttering
two forged £5.
Bank of England
Notes in Warwickshire

The Chairman reported
that since the last meeting
he had read Depositions against
John Easthope Collingwood for
uttering two forged £5. Bank of
England Notes in Warwickshire,
and Mess^{rs} Freshfield having
concurred with him that it
was a clear case, he had ordered
to be prosecuted that the said John Easthope
Collingwood be prosecuted.

The Committee approved thereof.

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The Chairman stated that James Barton he had signed a recommendation to the Governor for the payment of James Barton's Disbursements, &c. (£9.10.6) in October for attending at Chester Sessions, to give evidence against Thomas William, alias Wilson for uttering a forged £5. Bank of England Note in that City.

at further demand by Mr. Edw. Ramsey Williams

In reference to the Minute of the 26th October, the Chairman informed the Committee, that Mr. Edward Ramsey Williams of Carnarvon had since sent to the Secretary's Office, a Statement of his Expenses in the prosecution of Williams and Lewis (£29.18.2 demanding Interest thereon from that day until the Bill is paid.

referred to Mr. Freshfield

The Chairman stated that he had referred the matter to Mr. Freshfield, leaving it to him to do what is necessary

Depositions

6 Jan^y 1841

Depositions
read against
John Kelly for
uttering forged
£5. Bank of
England notes
in Kent.

To be prosecuted

Depositions were read
against John Kelly for uttering
several forged £5. Bank of England
notes in Kent.

Ordered,

That the said John
Kelly be prosecuted.

The Solicitors
Bill taken
into consider-
ation

Mess^{rs} Freshfield & Son's
Bill for Law Charges amounting
to £3,305¹⁷. for the half year
ending the 30th September last,
having been taken into consi-
deration by the Committee,
and the following Abstract
thereof having been examined
viz.

Abstract

Abstract of Messrs Freshfield & Sons' Bill for Six Months to 30th Sept^r 1840

Charges for	Business	Attendance	Fees to Counsel	Incidental Charges	Total
Respecting the Appeal to the House of Lords by the London Joint Stock Bank against the Order of the Master of the Rolls	139 ^{..} 5 ^{..} 0	29 ^{..} 3 ^{..} 0	358 ^{..} 19 ^{..} 0	10 ^{..} 6 ^{..} 6	14 034 ^{..} 8 ^{..} 6
Chancery (5 Suits)	32 ^{..} 6 ^{..} 6	21 ^{..} 13 ^{..} 1	41 ^{..} 13 ^{..} 6	7 ^{..} 0 ^{..} 0	48 105 ^{..} 13 ^{..} 4
Exchequer (30 Suits, Exchequer of Pleas 2 Suits)	36 ^{..} 7 ^{..} 10	23 ^{..} 3 ^{..} 1	4 ^{..} 0 ^{..} 0	10 ^{..} 14 ^{..} 9	94 74 ^{..} 5 ^{..} 11
Criminal prosecutions (11 Persons)	380 ^{..} 8 ^{..} 3	224 ^{..} 10 ^{..} 2	208 ^{..} 13 ^{..} 10	585 ^{..} 18 ^{..} 3	21 1399 ^{..} 10 ^{..} 6
Measures to detect Forgeries &c	15 ^{..} 5 ^{..} 10	12 ^{..} 16 ^{..} 8	3 ^{..} 5 ^{..} 6	3 ^{..} 0 ^{..} 0	15 34 ^{..} 8 ^{..} 0
Respecting the Estate of Mr John Barker	157 ^{..} 10 ^{..} 4	70 ^{..} 7 ^{..} 6	14 ^{..} 10 ^{..} 6	301 ^{..} 0 ^{..} 0	81 543 ^{..} 8 ^{..} 4
Respecting the purchase by the City of London of the Eastern end of Bank Buildings	40 ^{..} 2 ^{..} 2	25 ^{..} 14 ^{..} 6	12 ^{..} 1 ^{..} 0	54 ^{..} 1 ^{..} 8	105 132 ^{..} 1 ^{..} 4
Respecting the Securities of the St Katharine Dock Co	17 ^{..} 10 ^{..} 4	9 ^{..} 7 ^{..} 8	13 ^{..} 9 ^{..} 6	2 ^{..} 2 ^{..} 0	11 42 ^{..} 9 ^{..} 6
Respecting Branch Banks	2 ^{..} 1 ^{..} 8			3 ^{..} 0 ^{..} 0	14 2 ^{..} 4 ^{..} 8
Respecting the objection to the proposed narrowing the Street in front of the Bank	4 ^{..} 5 ^{..} 0	8 ^{..} 14 ^{..} 4			15 12 ^{..} 19 ^{..} 4
Respecting the application of certain American Houses to the Bank for assistance	15 ^{..} 1 ^{..} 8	27 ^{..} 2 ^{..} 0		1 ^{..} 7 ^{..} 0	17 43 ^{..} 10 ^{..} 8
General Business	143 ^{..} 2 ^{..} 10	87 ^{..} 12 ^{..} 8	12 ^{..} 1 ^{..} 0	38 ^{..} 0 ^{..} 5	12 380 ^{..} 16 ^{..} 11
Abstracted & analyzed by G. E. Gray Dep ^y Sec ^y Jno: P. Noble Assistant Sec ^y	£ 983 ^{..} 2 ^{..} 5	£ 540 ^{..} 7 ^{..} 2	£ 671 ^{..} 13 ^{..} 10	£ 110 ^{..} 13 ^{..} 7	3305 ^{..} 17 ^{..} 0
		Deduct Money received by the Solicitors			17 699 ^{..} 14 ^{..} 1
					£ 2606 ^{..} 2 ^{..} 11

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Report on
the Solicitors
Bill

viz.

The following Report was agreed to.

The Committee for Law Suits
Report to the Court of directors,

That they have investigated Mess^{rs}.
Freshfield & Son's Bill for Law Charges,
from Easter Term 1840 to the 30th Sept^r.
last, amounting to £3305.17. — and they
find it to be composed of the following
Particulars. viz:

Expences Attendant on the
Appeal to the House of Lords,
by the London Joint Stock
Bank, against the Order
of the Master of the Rolls — £ 634. 8. 6

Expences Attendant on
5 Suits in Chancery — 105. 13. 4

D^o. on 30 Suits in the
Court of Exchequer — £ 63. 5. 3.

D^o. on 2 Suits at Common Law — 11. 11. 8 74. 5. 11

Expences Attendant on Criminal
prosecutions ag^t 11 Persons. viz:

2 tried at the Old Bailey for
forging & uttering Cheques on
the Bank & convicted — £ 301. 5. 10

9 for the forgery of, and the
uttering of, forged Bank
of England Notes — 1098. 4. 8 1399. 10. 6

One of whom was tried at the
Old Bailey and acquitted. And
8 were tried in the Country, of
whom 6 were convicted and
2 acquitted.

Expences consequent on the
Measures taken to detect
frauds and forgeries on the
Bank —

carried forward — 34. 8. —
£ 2248. 6. 3

Brought forward	£ 2248..6..3	(306)
Expences consequent on pro- ceedings respecting the Estate of Mr. John Baker in Mortgage to the Bank	£ 239..19..3	
Respecting an Ejectment —	12..8..4	
Indicting the Parish of Hockwold for the non repair of a Road	111..1..2	
Payments in respect of these proceedings	179..19..7	543..8..4
Respecting the purchase by the City of London of the Eastern end of Bank Buildings	132..1..4	
Respecting the Securities of the St. Katharine Dock Company, held by the Bank	142..9..6	
The Committee are informed by Mr. Freshfield that in both these cases the Amount of Costs will be recovered		
Expences consequent on the making a New Sewer near the Portsmouth Branch	2..4..8	
Ditto, respecting the Ob- jection to the Proposed nar- rowing the Street in front of the Bank	12..19..4	
Ditto, respecting the claim of the Bank on certain American Houses		
viz: Mess ^{rs} Geo. Wildes & Co.	£ 21..5..4	
Mess ^{rs} T. Wilson & Co.	20..8..4	
Mess ^{rs} T. Wiggins & Co.	1..17..—	43..10..8
General Business	280..16..11	
carried forward	£ 3305..17..—	

Deduct

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Brought forward — £ 3305.17.11
 Deduct Money received by the Solicitors for Costs &c. — 699.14.1
 Balance due to the Solicitors, £ 2606.2.11

In the foregoing Amount of £ 3305.17.11 the Charge for Drawing Briefs &c. and other General Business is
 £ 983.2.5

For personal Attendance — 540.7.2

For Money advanced in Fees to Counsel — £ 1523.9.7

Incidental Charges — 1110.13.7
 1782.7.5
 £ 3305.17.11

In respect to the Sum of £ 48.10.8 the Amount of Expenses consequent on the Advances to certain American Houses, the Committee recommend that the Chief Cashier be directed to apportion the same to the debit of those Houses respectively.

The Committee have examined the Deputy Accountant, and being satisfied from his Report that the Balance of the Solicitors Bill several charges have been made according to the usual rate, they recommend to the Court of Directors that the Sum of £ 2606.2.11 be paid to Mess^{rs} Freshfield and Son, being the Balance of their present Bill for Law Charges to the 30 September last.

mem.

read in Court &
 Balance ordered
 to be paid 7 Jan^y
 1841

Bank of England
 6 Jan^y 1841

(Signed)
 L. B. Heath
 Chairman

Mr. Freshfield
to apply for the
Amount of costs
still due

The Committee had some conversation with Mr. James Freshfield respecting the very large amount of costs still remaining due to the Bank on Account of the Suits against the London and Westminster Bank and the London Joint Stock Bank, and requested that he would apply for them with as little further delay as possible.

The Committee also requested that Mr. Freshfield would forthwith apply to the City of London for the Law Expenses connected with their purchase of a part of Bank Buildings, and to the St. Katharine Dock Company for the expenses attendant on the renewal of their Securities

and in future,
to apply for costs
without delay

and further, that in all Costs of Suit which may in future become due to the Bank, application be made to the Parties for Payment, with as little delay as possible.

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The Committee directed Mr. Gray to note in all future Solicitors' Bills, Cases in which an Account of Costs of Suit are due to the Bank, of costs due to the Bank, to keep an Account of the Amount due in each Case, to be credited by

and to apply herein respectively as the costs are to the Solicitors received: and that he will apply for information to the Solicitors for any information he may require on the Subject.

See E. 2

Committee appointed 9th April 1840

	April 15	29	June 22	July 15	24	Aug. 5	Oct. 26	1841 Jan. 6	20	Feb. 3	8	17	Mar. 22	Apr. 2
Mr. Heath	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Mr. Gower	—	—	a	a	—	—	a	—	—	—	—	—	—	a
Mr. Pearce	—	—	a	—	—	—	—	a	—	—	—	—	a	—
Mr. Meguelin	—	a	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	a	a	—

	Hum. Folios	Am ^t For ^d	To pay	To receive
Mr. Heath	—	£ —	£ —	£ 2..12..6
Mr. Gower	4	4..4..—	1..11..6	—
Mr. Pearce	3	3..3..—	— 10..6	—
Mr. Meguelin	3	3..3..—	— 10..6	—
	4	£ 10..10	2..12..6	2..12..6
Division		£ 2..12..6		

Committee appointed 6th April 1837 brought back

	March	14	16	Amount of Forfeits	To pay	To receive
Mr. Porcher	—	—	—	—	—	£2.6.6
Mr. Heath	—	—	2	2.2	—	— 4.6
Mr. Milderay	—	—	6	6.6	—	—
Mr. Seave	—	—	2	2.2	—	— 1/4
Mr. Prescott	—	—	1	1.1	—	— 5.
÷ 5				£ 11.11	£ 4.00	£ 11.00
Division of Forfeits				£ 2.6.	—	—

Committee appointed 5th April 1838

	April	26	4	16	17	21	6	8	1	27	7	1839	To Forfeits	To pay	To receive
Mr. Pelly	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Mr. Cotton from 1838	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Mr. Morris	—	—	—	a	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	£ 1.16.8	—
Mr. Pearce	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	— 15/6
Mr. Hanky	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	a	—	a	—	—	2	£ 2.25.9	—
Mr. Smith	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	— 12.
5) 3.3													£ 9.6.6		
													12.7 1/2		

Committee appointed 11th April 1839

	May	July	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Dec.	1840	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	pl.	To Forfeits	To pay	To receive	
	23	2	24	3	20	4	17	24	21	20	17					
Mr. Cotton	—	—	—	audit	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2.10/6	
Mr. Grengell	—	a	a	—	—	—	—	a	a	a	—	—	5	5.5	2.14/6	
Mr. Seave	—	—	—	a	—	a	—	a	—	—	a	a	5	5.5	2.14/6	
Mr. Gluth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	a	—	—	—	a	2	2.2	— 8	
Mr. Smith	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2.10/6	
													5	12.12	5.9	5.9
														2.10/6		

Committee appointed 9th April 1835

Resolve to resume fines for non-attendance *pa. 26.*

	May	28	June 17	July 17	Dec. 23	Jan. 11	Feb. 4	Mar. 30	Amount Forfeits	To Pay	To receive
Mr. Ward <i>disqualified 5 Feb. 1836</i>							a				
Mr. Cotton							a	1	£1.1.0		£1.1.0
Mr. Heath	a	a	a					a	4	4.4.0	£2.2.0
Mr. Wilson					a			1	1.1.0		1.1.0

3) 6.6.0 £2.2.0 £2.2.0

Division of Forfeits £2.2.0

Committee appointed 7th April 1836

	April 21	June 15	30	July 22	Oct. 26	1837 Feb. 2	Mar. 17	30	Amount Forfeits	To Pay	To receive
Sir John Rae Reid Bart.									£	£	£15.0
Mr. Pelly				a					1.1.0		1.1.0
Mr. Hanson				a					1.1.0		1.1.0
Mr. Gower			a		audit				1.1.0		1.1.0
Mr. Davidson				a			a	a	3.9.0	£1.17	

5) 6.6.0 £1.17.0 £1.17.0

Division of Forfeits £1.5.0

Committee appointed 6th April 1837

The Chairman directed that the meetings take place on Wednesdays at one o'clock.	th	May	June	July			Nov:		Dec.		Jan	Feb.	
	April 25	2	16	6	5	19	25	1	24	13	22	24	21
Mr. Porcher	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Mr. Heath	—	—	—	—	—	—	a	—	—	—	a	—	—
Mr. Aldmay	—	—	a	—	a	—	a	a	a	—	—	a	—
Mr. Neave	—	a	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	a	—	—	—
Mr. Prescott	—	—	—	—	a	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

