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Sum⁴⁰ granted by the Committee of Treasury - for relief of persons.

✓ Jane Watkins	Widow of Geo Watkins late a Clerk. 4.	
✓ Ann Price	Widow of Ben ^d a supernum ^d Clerk - 6.	
✓ Francis Bradley	a Supernum ^d Clerk	16.
✓ Mrs Walton	Widow of the late Accountant	27
✓ Ann Horne	Widow of a Supernum ^d Ho ^r Porter	29.
✓ Thomas Butcher	a Watchman	29
✓ John Bales & Jas Thornton	Ship-purges	29.
✓ Mr Moore	(a present for Act of a B. Note	15.
✓ Sig Hatfield	W ^c of John Hatfield sen ^r	47
✓ John Cole	House porter	47. 125.
✓ Mrs Brewer	Mounts taken (for Incumbent)	48.
✓ Thomas Hackett	a Loan of £50.	55.
✓ John Carter	House Porter & Watchman	58.
✓ Mr Vaux	Surgeon	58.
✓ Catherine Sharp	Widow of R ^d Sharp	63/6.
✓ Thomas Remell	a Clerk - a Loan of £100 granted to him	66.
To the Clerk Gate Porter &c - for guarding the Bank, during the City Election		68. 124 -
✓ To Mr Clarke	(a Clerk - on Account of his House has been robbed -	72/3.
✓ To Sarah Parry	Widow of Mr Parry sen ^r late a Clerk	78.
✓ To Will ^m Smith	a Bullion porter - on Act of Clerk	80.
✓ To Sarah Cazaly	W ^c of Peter Cazaly a B ^c Clerk.	82.
To Coleman St Ward Charity School		88.
To Mr Dawes	Chief Act. (towards) furnishing his House	88.
✓ To Mary Ann Rudall	W ^c of Henry R. late a Clk, sen ^r	89.
To Mr Dorington	Clerk of the Fees (House of Commons)	92.
✓ To Will ^m Linsley	House porter	114.
✓ To Eleanor Vaux	W ^c of Rich ^d Vaux sen ^r late a Clerk	114 -
✓ To Thomas Kettle	House-porters	125 -
✓ To John St ^r Laque		
To William Ainsell	In-Teller (on Act of a Bank Note)	127.
To Cornhill and Lime St ^r Ward School		137.

the Governor
and Deputy Governor.
the Bosanguet
the Thornton.
the Winthrop &
the Whitmore.

Wednesday 30th April 1806.

The Minutes of the last Meetings of
the Committee were read.

Affidavits examined.

The Committee examined Affidavits re-
garding the following Bank Notes. Viz^t.

James Scott	—	11 B. Notes	—	£ 19.	Destroyed by washing
Thomas Ares	—	1 —	—	5 —	by fire
Elizabeth Smithson	—	1 —	—	5 —	Lost about 12 mo.
Mary Harrison	—	6 —	—	185.	Minister pants lost
John Beaumont	—	1 —	—	5 —	—
Christ ^r . Terry	—	3 —	—	4 —	Antitiated by acci.
James Langdale	—	1 —	—	1 —	dent and the number
John Hayes	—	1 —	—	1 —	and Date not

ascertained.

Payment Ordered.

Payment of the above was Ordered to the
Parties respectively; Subject to the approbation of the
Court of Directors.

Communication from the
Governor.

The Governor laid before the Committee
the following Copy of a Letter which he had addressed
to Samuel Whitbread Esq^r and the Answer which
Mr Whitbread had sent thereto. Viz^t

Bank. 26th April 1806.

Sir.

Letter to Sam^l. Whitbread
Esq^r.

As I understand, several of our
Officers and Clerks are required to attend at
Westminster Hall on the Trial of Lord Melville,
with a number of Books and Papers relating
to Affairs of the Bank of England. I have to re-
quest, that You will take such measures as may
be necessary, for giving the proper accommodation
in Westminster Hall, for either of the Governors
or one of the Directors, and the Officers and Clerks
of

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of the Bank who may find it necessary, or may be called upon to attend the Trial: and for the Security of their Papers.

I have the honor to be Sir

To Samuel Whitbread Esq
H^o H^o

Signed. Beeston Long.

House of Commons, 26 April 1806.

Sir.

Letter from Samuel
Whitbread Esq. to the
Governor.

In answer to the Letter I have had the honor to receive from You, I have to inform You, in the name of the Committee, that a Pass Ticket will, no doubt be supplied for the use of the Bank Director or Governor who may think proper to attend at the Trial. None of the Witnesses will be called upon till Wednesday; and due Notice will be given by Mr Kaye, of such of the Witnesses from the Bank, as will be wanted on that day. The Managers will do all in their power to provide for the security of the Books, and the accommodation of the Bank's Servants.

I have just received a Pass Ticket, which I take the liberty to inclose. I have the honor to be
H^o H^o
Signed. S. Whitbread.

Pass Ticket for the
Trial at Westminster
Hall taken by Mr
Sam^l Thornton.

The Pass Ticket which accompanied Mr Whitbread's Letter, was taken by Mr Sam^l Thornton, who, at the desire of the Committee, undertook to be present at the Trial, during the examination of Mr Kipperian; and also to provide for the security of the Books and Papers, sent from the Bank.

Letter from the Board
of Customs regarding
the lodging of money
in the Bank.

A Letter was read from the Board of Customs, requesting "that that Bank would favor that Board, with any observations which it may be deemed necessary to make on the suggestions which were left with the Governor and Deputy Governor, by the Chairmen of the Board, regarding the lodging in the Bank, Sums, arising from the Balances of the Receiver General of the Customs.

Resolved

Rules, applicable to
Cash Accounts, to be
sent to the Board of
Customs &c. &c.

Resolved.

That the following Regulations respecting
the management of the business of the Bank in the De-
partment, which will include the business under con-
sideration, be sent to the Board of Customs, also to the
Board of Excise and the Stamp Office, and to every other
Public Office, which may keep their Cash Accounts at
this House.

Copy of Rules, appli-
cable to Cash Accounts,
kept at the Bank.

Rules, which are applicable to Cash Accounts kept
at the Bank, by Receivers General &c. —

All Payments made into the Bank, are written into
a Bank Book, containing the Account between the Party
and the Bank of England, as a Voucher for the receipt
thereof, the Clerk signing his name thereto: which book is
delivered to the party, keeping such account with the
Bank, when required.

Cash, and Bank Notes in small quantities are
received every day, from 9 to 5 O'clock: but Bank Notes, in
large parcels, not after 2 O'clock.

Cheques on Bankers, if payable in the neighbourhood
of, or within a short distance from, the Bank, are sent out
on the same day, if paid in by 2 O'clock: but Cheques not
coming under that description, and all Bills of Exchange
and promissory Notes, though due, cannot be sent out
for payment, till the following day.

Bills of Exchange cannot be sent out for acceptance
by the Bank: and all Bills are noted, if not paid, when due.

Payments into the Exchequer, cannot be made by
the Bank; they must therefore be made by the Receivers
General &c. or by their Officers.

Sums intended for payments into the Exchequer,
are to be drawn from the Accounts by Draft, or Write off,
signed by the party or parties, in whose name or names
the Account stands, or by any person having their

their authority; for which Draft or Write-off, our Bank Note for the amount, will be given to the person presenting the same, and if required, the Note will be cancelled and marked, so as to pass at the Exchequer, and preclude the possibility of loss, or misapplication.

Messrs Portal & Bridges's Application, re-considered

* 9th per Ream 13. 8 Paper
11 per 8th — Loan Paper.

Messrs Portal and Bridges's Application for an advance of 9th per ream on Bank Note paper and 11th per ream on Loan Paper, was again considered. And it appearing from Mr Hase's Report thereon, that the advance requested is under that, which has been allowed to the Stationer and Printer to the Bank, it was Resolved,

An advance on Paper to be allowed to Messrs Portal & Co.

— An intimation to be given to Messrs Portal & Co. — regard^g a reduction of price.

That the above mentioned advance be allowed to Messrs Portal & Co. on their Bill for Paper made for the Bank in the last year. But that it be intimated to them, that they will be expected to reduce the price of the Paper made for the Bank, whenever a reduction on that Article shall take place in the Trade.

Petition of R. Hobman on behalf of Joseph Smees's Children.

A Petition was read from Ralph Hobman (a Clerk in the Drawing Office) stating that Margaret Smees (his daughter and late wife of Joseph Smees) to whom the Bank granted an allowance of £70 per Annum, is dead, and that 7 Children are thereby left wholly dependent on Mr Hobman for support. He therefore prayed Relief from the Bank.

— Reference had to the Case.

On referring to the above Case, it appeared, that Joseph Smees had been permitted to resign the service of the Bank, on a pension of £100 per annum: but it afterwards appearing, that his Conduct had not merited this allowance, it had been withdrawn; yet, in consideration of his long services and the distressed state of his wife and Children £70 had been allowed to Margaret Smees, during pleasure.

Resolution on the R.
Holman's petition.

It was therefore now Resolved,

That it be recommended to the Court of Directors, to continue the above mentioned allowance of £70 per annum, during pleasure, for the benefit of Mr. Smees's Children; but that it be not extended beyond the life of the said Joseph Smees.

Petition of Jane Watkins widow.

A Petition was read from Jane Watkins, the Widow of George Watkins, deceased, late a Clerk in this House. Stating, that her husband was 7 years in the Service of the Bank, and that on account of his long illness, and by his death, she and one young child, are in very necessitous circumstances.

Report of Mr. Hase
and

Mr. Hase having reported that £29-12-1, is due from the Bank, on account of Mr. Watkins's Salary and mourning money, It was Resolved,

Resolution of the
Court thereon.

That the said £29-12-1 be paid to Mrs. Watkins, at the risk of any demand from an Administrator to her ^{late} Husband: that £20-7-11 (to make up £50) be presented as a gift to her, and that £3-10-0 be granted to her, to make good the amount of what her late husband had contributed to the Clerk's Widow's Fund.

Report from the Governor,
regarding a wrong Di-
vidend Warrant, paid
to Mr. Gilchrist.

The Governor reported, that a Clerk in the Exchequer Office, sometime ago, paid a wrong Dividend Warrant to Mr. James Gilchrist of Symonds Inn Chancery Lane, who had been refused payment of 2 succeeding Dividends, on the ground of his declining to sign the warrant made out in his name, and which should have been delivered to him, instead of that given to him in error. It was therefore Resolved,

The Governor to explain to
Mr. Gilchrist, what is proper
to be done in this case.

That the Governor be requested to inform Mr. Gilchrist, that the Dividend due to him, will be

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be paid on his applying for them, at the Lth per Ct Office; that the Governor also explain to him, the reason of his being required to sign the before mentioned Dividend Warrant; and request that he will act accordingly.

Instructions given
to the Deputy Accountant, on
the above Circumstances.

It was then intimated to Mr Hutchins on the Deputy Accountant, that the above mentioned Circumstances ought to have been reported to the Governor or Deputy Governor, prior to Mr Gilchrist's Dividends, having been withheld from him; and he was directed to act on this intimation, in the event of similar Cases occurring in future.

Mr Governor.
Mr Deputy Governor.
Mr R. Beave.
Mr Bosanquet
Mr Thornton.
Mr Wintthrop
Mr Whitmore.

Wednesday 7th May 1806.

The Minutes of the last Committee were read.

Affidavits examined

The Committee examined Affidavits regarding the following Bank Notes. Viz^t

William Taylor	1 B. Note	£10.	} Lost above 12 months.
William Caulier	1 Do	2	
David Bannister	1 Do	10.	Do. lost
William Bond	1 Do	20.	Simultaneous Do.
James Gillman	1 Do	2	Mutilated
John Wintubottom	3 Do	3	Do.
Do	1 Do	1.	} Mutilated & the numbers & Dates not ascertained
William Tate	5 Do	6	
Hannah Peak	1 Do	1.	
Abraham Newland	1 Do	1	

Payment ordered

Payment of the above was Ordered to the Parties respectively; subject to the approbation of the Court.

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Petition of Ann
Price.

A Petition was read from Ann Price, Widow of David Price deceased, formerly the Senior Pay Clerk in this House but who died on a Pension in December 1803. The Petitioner stated, that on account of the long illness and death of her husband, she has been subjected to very heavy expences and is considerably in debt, and she therefore prayed some present relief from the Bank.

— Inquiry made
thereon.

An inquiry into the above Case, it was found, that Ann Price will receive £20 a year, from the Clerk's Widows Fund, and by putting her on the list of Widows, who receive an allowance from Directors' benevolent Fund, she will have £24 a year. It was therefore Resolved.

Ann Price to be put on
the Charitable Fund
&c.

That Ann Price be put on the Directors' Charitable Fund: and that £50 be granted to her, for present relief.

An Thornton's report
regard^g the Books &c sent
to Westminster Hall.

Mr. Samuel Thornton reported to the Committee that he has obtained a strong Room belonging to the House of Commons, in which he has directed Mr. Rippon to deposit and secure the Books & Papers which have been sent from the Bank to Westminster Hall, on the trial of Lord Melville.

Governor's Report
of the Regulations appli-
cable to Cash Accounts, which are applicable to Cash Accounts kept at this
have been sent to several
Public Offices.

The Governor reported, that the Regulations which are applicable to Cash Accounts kept at this House, by Receiver's General &c. have been sent to the Post Office, and to the Surveyor General of His Majesty's Woods; in addition to those, which were reported at the last Committee, to have been sent to other public Offices.

Communications from
Mr. Hase.

Mr. Hase laid before the Committee the following
Account "Of Deviations from the General Rules
applicable

Account of Deviations
from the Rules, applic-
able to Cash Accounts.

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applicable to Cash Accounts kept at the Bank. viz.
The Royal Bank of Scotland.

Remits unaccepted Bills, which are sent out for
Acceptance, the receipt thereof is acknowledged by letter
and an Account Current is made out by the Bank, every
3 Months, and sent by Post, to Edinburgh.

John Miller. Receiver General for Bedfordshire,
Brings and remits unaccepted Bills, which
are sent out for Acceptance, the receipt thereof is
acknowledged by letter. Sums of Money are placed
to this Account, by sundry persons, to whom
Receipts for the amount are given. He has a Bank
book, no other Account is rendered. The Bank make
payments for him into the Exchequer, and discharge
the Fees.

Richard Lee and Son. On account of George Cook
Receiver General for the West Riding of York,
Remit unaccepted Bills, which are sent out for
Acceptance: the receipt thereof, is acknowledged by
letter. They have no Bank Book, they send an
Annual Account to be signed by the Bank. Payments
are made into the Exchequer, as in the former Case.

William Lortees. Receiver General for Durham &
Northumberland. Transactions with him, are
the same, as with the preceding Account.

John Mortlock. Receiver General of the Post Office,
One receipt is given daily for payments made to
this Account.

Commissioners for Paving Westminster. Sums of
Money are placed to this Account, by sundry per-
sons, to whom Receipts are given.

George

Deviations &
continued.

George Hassell. Agent General to the Volunteer Corps
To this Account Bills are remitted from sundry persons
in the Country, which are sent out for acceptance; but
the Letters are not answered by the Bank.

Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt,
by Redemption of Land Tax. To this Account Bills
are remitted from sundry persons, which are sent
out for acceptance; and sums of money are also placed
to the Account, for which Receipts are given if
demanded.

Resolved, That notwithstanding the foregoing
Resolution of the Committee thereon, Deviations, the Bank cannot receive any of the
Public Monies, but under the Regulations approved
by the Committee, on the 30th Ultimo. -

Mr Governor
Mr Deputy Governor
and a full Committee
Minutes read.

Wednesday 14th May 1806.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

Affidavits examined

The Committee examined Affidavits, regarding

the following Bank Post Bill, and Bank Notes. viz^t

Richard Worswick — 1 B. Post Bill £20. } Lost above 12

Mary Daley — 1 B. Note — 10 } Months.

Euse Mayaffre — 1 B. — 50 } Burnt.

John Breach — 1 B. — 10 }

Francis Leferre — 1 B. — 5. Sinistral lost

Edward Lind — 1 B. — 2

Do — 1 B. — 1

Benj^m Bloomfield — 1 B. — 1

John Pope — 1 B. — 1

Joseph Phillips — 1 B. — 1

Mutilated, & the
Gumbard Dates
not ascertained

Payment ordered.

Payment of the above was Ordered to the Parties
respectively, subject to the approbation of the Court.

Letter from the Board
of Customs.

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The Governor laid before the Committee a Letter from the Board of Customs, dated the 9th Inst. Stating "that it appears to the Commissioners, practicable to frame a system in their Department, which may, consistently, with the Rules proposed by the Bank, meet the public purpose; except in respect to the 2^d Rule, as to the time of the Bank's receiving Cash and Bank notes. That by the observance of that Rule, the Receiver General of their Revenue would be precluded from paying into the Bank, the balance of Cash and Bank notes of any day, until the following morning; it being generally near 3 o'clock before he has closed his Accounts, and therefore not in his power to send the Cash and Bank Notes from the Custom House before that hour, at the soonest, and more frequently not till 4, and sometimes 5 o'clock."

Answer returned
to the same.

The Governor acquainted the Committee that an Answer had been returned to the above mentioned Letter Stating, that the Cash which may be daily sent from the Customs, will be received and carried to Account, at any time before 5 o'clock; but that the regulation which respected Bank Notes being brought by 2 o'clock, must necessarily be observed, if they be brought in large parcels. On this subject information was requested, as to the probable number of Bank Notes which may be daily sent from the Custom House to the Bank.

A further Letter from
the Board of Customs.

After this communication, another Letter was read from the Secretary to the Board of Customs, stating that the Commissioners have not the means of informing of the Bank, of the number of Bank Notes, which, on an average may daily be brought to the Bank from the

the Custom House, and suggesting, that as there is no material impediment to the arranging the business under consideration, except, as to the time which the Office at the Bank shall be kept open, the Board trust, that the Bank will remove this obstacle.

Resolved, That an Answer be returned to the Board of Customs, Stating that all large parcels of ^{Bank} Notes, must be paid in, before 2 o'clock, that there may be time sufficient for the Clerks to examine them, before they can be entered to the Credit of the Board of Customs: any small parcels may be paid in, until 5 o'clock. The Commissioners of the Customs may give directions to their Clerks, to make two payments, daily, if necessary, one, of all they can send to the Bank before 2 o'clock, the remainder, as early as possible afterwards: for there must necessarily be time to examine all, before 5 o'clock, or they cannot be entered to the Credit of the Board of Customs, on that day.

Resignation of Francis Haden.

A Letter of resignation, on account of ill health was read, from Francis Haden, a Clerk in the Accountants Office.

Mr Governor.
Mr Deputy Governor.
Mr R. Mease
Mr Raikes.
Mr Thornton.
Mr Winstrop
Mr Whitmore.

Wednesday 21st May 1806.

The Minutes of the last Committee were read.

The Committee examined the following Affidavits,

Affidavits examined:—
 Wm Gittman Harvey — 1. B. Post Bill — £20 Lost above 12 mts
 Edward Wells — 1. B. note — £ 1
 George Morton. — 1. do — 1. } Mutilated; and
 Richard Tandy — 1. do — 1. } the himibark
 John Jenner — 1. do — 1. } Dated not ascer-
 } tained.
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Payment Ordered.

The Committee Ordered payment of the before mentioned Notes, subject to the approbation of the Court of Directors.

An Bramah's Machine
Inspected.

Mr. Bramah attended, with his Machine, and the Committee inspected its operation in printing the Numbers and Dates of Bank Notes. And it was Agreed, that the Committee of Inspection for the Printing Office be made acquainted with the Invention, and with the purposes it is intended to answer in the Business of the Bank.

The Committee of
Inspection to be ac-
quainted therewith.

Letter from the
Commissioners of the
Excise.

The Governor acquainted the Committee, that a Letter dated the 14th Inst. had been received from the Commissioners of Excise - Stating that the Books of that Office are never closed till 2 O'clock, and that the Receipts for the Port of London cannot be closed till 2 Hours afterwards; on which Accounts, the Regulations of the Bank requiring that any considerable number of Bank Notes, must be brought to the Bank by two O'clock, in order to be carried to account the same day, cannot be complied with. The Letter also farther stated, that with regard to Payments into the Exchequer, the Commissioners thought the receiving a cancelled Bank Note for the amount, is much less safe, than the former practice of taking the Draft or write off, thither.

Answer re-
turned thereto.

The Governor further mentioned, that an Answer had been returned to the Commissioners of Excise, similar to that which was sent to the Board of Customs; and that for the better explanation of the manner of making Payments into the Exchequer, a cancelled Bank Note had been sent, for the inspection of the Commissioners.

Another

Further Letter from
the Commissioners of
the Excise.

Another Letter from the Commissioners of Excise, dated the 16th Inst. was now read. Stating that it will be impossible to make two payments into the Bank, of the daily receipt of Revenues, but that the whole, would almost always be ready for paying into the Bank, by 4 o'clock. Also, that they see many reasons for preferring the former method of making Payments into the Exchequer, to the doing it by a cancelled Bank note.

Answer to be returned
thereto.

Resolved, That an Answer be returned to the Commissioners of Excise, referring them to the Rules and Regulations applicable to Cash Accounts kept at the Bank, which were sent to them on the 1st Inst. and to the explanations of the said Rules in the Secretary's Letter of the 15th Inst. as the Bank can only make one general Regulation for all the Public Accounts.

Bills for regulating
Public Offices sent
to the Bank.

The Bills now before Parliament for the better regulation of the Offices of the Post, Stamp & Excise having been sent to the Bank. It was

The Governor and
Deputy Governor to con-
fer with Lord Grenville
thereon.

Resolved, That the Governor and Deputy Governor be requested to solicit a conference with Lord Grenville and Lord Henry Petty, on the Subject of the said Bills.

An Account of Charges
regard^g Lord V. Melville's
Trial, applied for.

The Chief Cashier and the Deputy Accountant, having acquainted the Governor that the Solicitor to the Managers of the Impeachment of Lord Viscount Melville, had applied to them, for an Account of their Charges for the attendances of the Clerks of the Bank, and for Copying Accounts for the Trial, at Westminster Hall:—

The Bank have no
Charges to make.

Resolved, That the Solicitor be desired to acquaint the Managers of the Impeachment, that the

The King's Guard
fail to attend the
Bank.

The Governor also informed the Committee,
that the King's Guard failed to attend at the Bank on
Friday night last, in consequence of which the night
duty had been done by the Porters, under the superintendence
of Mr Lewis; that, on the next day a Letter had been ad-
dressed to the Field Officer in waiting to acquaint him
with this omission, and that the following Answer had
been received from Lt. General Burrard. V. G.

Horse Guards 24 May 1806.

Letter from Lieut. Sir.
Gen. Burrard
thereon.

I am very much grieved and equally
surprised, at the neglect of the Regiment whose turn
it was to find the duty at the Bank last night. I
shall take such effectual steps to prevent the like
again, as well as to punish, where the blame rests,
that I trust so dangerous & discreditable an
occurrence will never disgrace the Brigade of Guards
again.

I understand it has arisen from a
change of Duties in two Battalions for the purpose
of accommodation at a Field day, which I only
mention, that you may know the cause & by no
means to lessen the crime of neglect on the occasion.

I have the honor to be &c

Governor or
Deputy Gov. of the Bank.

Signed. Harry Burrard
F. C. Brig^d Wait
Brigade of Guards.

— An Answer to be
returned to General
Burrard.

The Governor and Deputy Governor were requested
to return a suitable answer to Lieut. Genl. Burrard.

The Appointment of a
Chief Accountant
considered.

The Committee having taken into consideration
the qualifications of the Principal Officers of this
House, with a view to the appointment of a Chief
Accountant.

A recommendation, that
Mr Daves be appointed
Chief Accountant.
It was Resolved, That in the opinion of this Committee Mr Daves, the Deputy Secretary is a very suitable person to fill the Office of Chief Accountant, vacant by the death of Mr Walton. And that Mr Daves be therefore recommended to the Court of Directors to succeed to that Office.

Committee to be summoned.
Ordered, That this Committee be summoned to meet on Tuesday next, at 1/2 past 12 o'clock, in account of Wednesday being the King's Birth-day.

Mr Governor
Mr Deputy Governor.
Mr Richd. Pearce
Mr Raikes
Mr Thornton
Mr Wintthrop
Mr Whitmore.

Tuesday 3^d June 1806.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

Affidavits examined.
The Committee examined Affidavits regarding the following Bank notes viz^t

John Surry	1 Bank note	£ 100. Sinister part lost.
Samuel Hobbs	1 do	5. Mismatched.
Edward Collyer	1 do	1.
George Swinburn	1 do	1.
John Rose	1 do	1.
John Taron	1 do	1.
Richard Clare	1 do	1.

} Mutilated, and the numbers & dates not ascertained.

Payment ordered.
Payment of the above was Ordered to the Parties respectively, subject to the approbation of the Court of Directors.

Petition of Francis Bradley, a superannuated Clerk.
A Petition was read, from Francis Bradley late a Clerk in the Reduced Annuity Office, but who retired on a Pension, in September last. It stated that he is in great distress in respect of the Property Duty for the last 2 Years, which amounts to £ 27. 10. and which, on account of heavy expences incurred by long and severe illness, he is unable to pay. He

Relief granted to
Mr Bradley.

He therefore prayed for relief.

Resolved. That the Property Duty be not paid for
Mr Bradley: but that in consideration of his long services
and his present infirm and necessitous state, £ 30 be
granted for his relief.

Letter from Messrs.

Simpson & Davison. A Letter was read from Messrs Simpson and
Davison, addressed to the Governor, stating that they had
discharged the Loan which they were accommodated
with, by the Bank, and expressing acknowledgements
for the confidence shewn and the services rendered to
them. The Governor was requested to read this Letter
to the Court.

Application that the
Bank advance the
future Payments on
the Loan.

An Application from Messrs Lupton & Dawes
and others was read, requesting the Bank to advance
the next, and future payments upon the Loan of the
present Year, subject to the usual terms and conditions,
and that the day of redemption be extended, until after
the payment of Dividends, in January next.

Recommendation
to the Court thereon.

Resolved. That it be recommended to the Court to
advance the 3.^d, 4.th, 5.th, 6.th, 7.th, 8.th and 9.th Payments on the Loan
for the present Year, on condition that they be redeemed
on or before Tuesday the 13.th January 1807.

Resolved.

Recommendation to
the Committee of
Building - regard a
separate Drawing
Office for Public Accounts.

That in order to expedite the provision
of a separate Drawing Office in the Hall, for the Public
Accounts, it be recommended to the Committee of
Building - To remove the Investigators from the
room opposite the ^{chief} Cashiers Office, into a part of the
late Check Office: also to remove the Out-Tellers into the
room now used by the Investigators, and that the two
Out-tellers in waiting, be removed from the Hall,
into

into the same room, with the other Out-Tellers. It was also
Resolved, To recommend to the Committee of Building
that ^{from} a Wicket-door be made for the Treasury, in order to
allow of the present door being kept open, for a time, in
very hot weather.

A Wicket Door recom-
mended for Treasury

Mr Governor.
Mr Deputy Governor.
Mr Richard Heave
Mr Raikes
Mr Winstrop
Mr Whitmore

Thursday 5th June 1806.

The Committee having considered of a suitable
person to fill the Office of Deputy Secretary, It was
Resolved,

Mr W. Smith recom-
mended to be app^d Deputy
Secretary.

That it be recommended to the Court of
Directors to appoint William Smith, Deputy Secretary,
in the room of Mr Dawes, who has been appointed
Chief Accountant.

John Knight to be
Assistant Secretary.

And also to recommend, that John
Knight (Clerk in the Secretary's Office) be appointed
Assistant Secretary.

The Chief Accountant and Secretary

John Watt recom-
mended to be brought into the
Secretary's Office.

Reported, that John Watt, a Clerk in the Reduced
Office (who has been in the service of the Bank upwards
of 7 Years) appears to be a very suitable person to be
brought into the Secretary's Office; and that from
his knowledge of the Transfer business, he would
be qualified to act as Secretary to the Committee
of Inspection for the Stock Office.

To be further
considered.

The Committee agreed to consider the
above report, at their next meeting.

Wednesday,

in Dep^y Governor.
 in Rich^d Mease
 in Raikes
 in Thornton.
 in Winthrop &
 in Whitmore.

Wednesday 11th June 1806.

The Minutes of the two last Meetings
 were read.

Affidavits examined.

The Committee examined Affidavits

regarding the following Bank Notes. Viz^t

Taylor Garnett Esq	1	Bank Note £10	Minister part lost
Cornet Hunt Moriarty	1	Do	5 Do Do
Richard Ellison	1	Do	5. part destroyed.
Thomas Stapleton	1	Do	1
William Longden	2	Do	1. } Mutilated, and the
John Gough	1	Do	1. } Numbers & Dates
Hans P. Peterson	1	Do	1 } not ascertained.

Payment Ordered.

Payment of the above was Ordered to the

Parties respectively; subject to the approbation of the
 Court of Directors.

Affidavit of T. Russell.

regard^g to 13 Notes found. Letter from Rob^t Holmden were read, regarding 14 Bank
 Notes of £2 each, stated to have been picked up in
 Caws and Bay, near Plymouth. The Notes were all
 dated, the 17th April 1805, but the Numbers could not be
 ascertained. As no consideration had been given for
 them, nor property in them, sworn to, the Committee
 declined paying the amount of them, and directed that
 they be returned to the person who brought them to the
 Bank.

in Governor
 in Dep^y Governor.
 in R^d Mease
 in Raikes
 in Whitmore.

Wednesday 18th June 1806.

The Minutes of the last Committee.

Minutes read, were read.

The

Affidavits examined.

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The Committee examined Affidavits, regarding the following Bank Notes. Viz:

Elizabeth Peck	1 Bank Note	£ 10. Sinister part lost.
John Dorman	1 Do	5. Lost above 12 Mo.
Peter Sneddon	1 Do	2. Mutilated & the number
John Pedine	1 Do	2. Said Dates not ascertained.

Payment Ordered.

Payment of the above was Ordered, to the parties respectively, subject to the approbation of the Court of Directors.

Report from the Governor.

The Governor presented to the Committee an Extract from the Minutes of the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, delivered to him by Mr Vansittart, of which the following is a Copy. Viz:

Extract from Treasury Minutes of the
24th June 1808.

Extract from Treasury Minutes, regard^g the Receiver General of the Excise.

That the Commissioners of Excise should give Instructions to the Receiver General, to pay daily into the Bank of England at the close of the Office, on each day, so much of the Cash and Bank Notes then remaining in the Office as is not necessary to be retained for the course of business at the opening of the Office on the following day, and that they should give notice to the Directors of the Bank (who are already apprized of the intended Plan and ready to cooperate in the execution of it) to send some confidential Clerk daily, at the most proper time of the day to the Office of the Receiver General, for the purpose of receiving such Cash and Bank Notes, and to carry them to the Bank of England, and that such person be directed to make a regular Entry, in a Book properly prepared for that purpose of all such Sums of Money

and

and Bank notes, as shall be deposited with him, and that
 "they instruct the Comptroller of the Cash, to count out and
 examine the Accounts, in such Book, in the same manner
 as he has heretofore controlled and examined all other Ac-
 counts of the Receiver General with the Bank."

— reference to Mr
 Winthrop on the pre-
 ceding minute.

It appearing to this Committee, that Mr Nutt
 (now deceased) was Governor and Mr Winthrop Deputy
 Governor of the Bank, at the time mentioned in the above
 Minute, and reference being had to the latter, on the
 subject thereof, Mr Winthrop reported, as follows. —

— Mr Winthrop's
 Report thereon.

"Mr Winthrop, who was then Deputy Governor of
 the Bank, has not the least recollection of any particulars
 that bear relation even to a conversation on the subject
 alluded to: but certainly had such a Plan been proposed
 by the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr Nutt the Governor,
 and Mr Winthrop the Deputy Governor, must instantly
 have seen the impropriety of such a measure, and
 objected to it, on the part of the Bank."

"As there appears no vestige of such a Conversation
 in our Books of Minutes, or any Report of the Governor
 or Deputy Governor on the subject, Mr Winthrop can
 only suppose, that this Minute in the Treasury Book
 may have been occasioned by some conversation with
 the Chancellor of the Exchequer on the propriety of
 keeping all the Public money of the different Branches,
 at the Bank of England, and perhaps it may have been
 said, that the Bank would be happy to afford all
 Facilities in the way of business: but that any such
 Agreement, so contrary to the common course of business
 of that Bank could be proposed and acceded to, by the
 Governor and Deputy Governor, appears to Mr Winthrop
 utterly incredible."

On which, it was

Resolved

Resolutions of the Committee, on the Minute of Treasury.

Resolved, That the part of the Minute of the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, which applies to the Bank's sending one of its Clerks to receive money from the Excise Office, instead of the money being sent from thence to the Bank of England, by one of the Excise Clerks, cannot be complied with: it being unprecedented in the transactions of the Bank, and would subject it to dangerous consequences.

The Resolution on Mr Winthrop's Report, to be sent to the Lords of the Treasury.

Resolved, That Mr Winthrop's Report, and the Resolution of this Committee be sent to Mr Vanvittart, in order to be communicated to the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury.

Resolution, on an application from the Receiver General of the Excise.

Resolved, That the application from Mr Cholmondeley the Receiver General of the Excise, that a Clerk be sent from the Bank to his Office, daily, to receive monies from thence and pay them into the Bank, cannot be complied with; for the reasons which have been given to the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury. And that a Copy of this Resolution be sent to Mr Cholmondeley.

Conversations between the Lords of the Treasury & Governor of the Bank, not to be binding

Resolved, In consequence of the preceding Minute of the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, that any Conversations which may pass between the Governor, or Deputy Governor, or other member of this Committee, and the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, be not deemed binding on this House; unless they be reported to, and confirmed by a Minute of this Committee.

Amended Bill, for regulating the Excise, read.

An Amended Copy of the Bill "for the better regulation of the Office of Receiver General of the Duties of Excise in Great Britain" was read; and

and, with two small alterations, was approved.

Resolved,

Mr Dawes's Salary pro-
posed to be raised. &c

That it be recommended to the Court of Directors to advance the Salary of Mr Dawes, the Chief Accountant, to £500 per Annum, from the day of his appointment to that Office; upon the express condition, that he is not to receive any Perquisites whatever. Also,

Mr Smith & Mr Knight
their Salary proposed
to be raised.

That the Salary of Mr Smith, the Deput. Secretary be advanced, from £190 to £220 per Annum; and the Salary of Mr Knight the Assistant Secretary, be advanced from £90 to £120 per Annum, from the date of their respective appointments, and on the conditions above mentioned.

Resolved,

John Watts appointed
a Clerk in the Secretary's
Office &c

That John Watts of the Reduced Office, be appointed a Clerk in the Secretary's Office; in the place of Mr Knight lately appointed Assistant Secretary. And that it be recommended to the Court, to advance his Salary from £90 to £110 per Annum, on the conditions above mentioned.

No Fees to be taken
in the Secy's Office: &c

Mr Best, the Secretary, was then called in, and was informed—that from this day, no Fees, are to be taken in the Secretary's Office: and he was directed, to make out an Account of the average Annual Amount of Fees, which are received in his Office, in order that a Compensation for the same, may be made, by way of Gratuity.

Resignation of John
Foster.

A Letter was read from John Foster, a Clerk in the Accountants Office, requesting leave to resign the service of the Bank. It was Agreed, to lay Mr Foster's Letter before the Court.

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Vacancy of a Signer
of Dividend Warrants
reported.

The Chief Accountant having stated to the Committee
that James Andrews, a Clerk in the Accountants Office, is a
proper person to be a Signer of Dividend Warrants, in the
room of the before mentioned John Foster, who resigns the
service of the Bank. It was Agreed

— That Andrews to be
recommended for the
same.

That James Andrews be recommended to the
Court, to be appointed a signer of Dividend Warrants, on
Mr Foster's resignation being accepted.

Clauses of Exemption in
the Property Act, laid before
the Committee.

The Chief Accountant also submitted to the
Committee the 3. 4. and 6th. Clauses of Exemption in the
Property Act: on which it was

— That Mr. Kays's opinion to be
taken thereon.

Resolved That the said Clauses be referred to the
consideration of Mr Solicitor Kaye; ^{and} requesting him,
if he shall think it necessary to take the opinion
of Sir Arthur Piggoth thereon.

A Form of an Account of
assessments, presented &
approved.

The Chief Accountant further submitted
to the Committee a form to be used for an Account
of the Assessments on the several Proprietors of the
Public Funds (except Bank Stock) transferred at
this House; as directed to be delivered to the Special
Commissioners under the Property Act. The
Committee approved of the same.

An Governor.
an Depts Governor.
Sir W. Pearce
an Raikes.

Wednesday 25th June 1806.

The Proceedings of the last Committee
were read.

Affidavits read.

The Committee examined Affidavits
regarding the following Bank Notes &c. viz.
Richard Smith — 1. B. Post Bill — £37. 10. 0 Lost by Post.
John Cooke — 1. Bank Note £20. — Burnt
Nathl Edwards — 1. do — 10. — mismatched.

William

William Parker - - - 1 Bank Note - - - 1. } mutilated & the
 John Ramsbottom - - - 1 - - - 2 } Numbers & Dates
 not ascertained.

Payment Ordered.

Payment of the same was Ordered to the Parties respectively, Subject to the approbation of the Court of Directors.

Mr Kaye's Opinion on
 Clauses of Exemptions
 in the Property Act read.

Mr Kaye's Opinion, on the Clauses of Exemption in the Property Act, referred to him by the last Committee, was now read - as follows.

"I have perused the Clauses
 "in the new Property Act containing the Rules for
 "assessing the Duties under Schedule C. and specifying
 "the Exemptions, and I am of opinion that the Bank
 "Commissioners cannot be expected to take any notice
 "of the Exemptions in favor of Friendly Societies,
 "Charitable Institutions, Foreigners, Stock belonging
 "to His Majesty, or to accredited Ministers, as the
 "Bank possesses no public means of ascertaining
 "those Exemptions. But with respect to the Stock
 "standing in the Names of the Commissioners for
 "reducing the National Debt, and the Lord High
 "Treasurer or the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury,
 "the Bank possesses certain and specific means
 "of ascertaining it, and I apprehend the Commissioners
 "should not include those Funds in their Assessment."

Signed Joseph Kaye
 19 June 1806.

The Governor laid before the Committee the following Note from Mr Vansittart viz^t.

Note from Mr
 Vansittart regarding
 the Bill for regulating
 the Excise -

• Mr Vansittart presents his Compliments to the Governor and Deputy Governor of the Bank, and is sorry to find that their Court think themselves under the necessity of declining the Accommodation requested by the Receiver General of the Excise. He will attend to the Amendment proposed in the Regulation Bill. With respect to their Query, it appears to Mr Vansittart that

That as the Words of the Bill now stand it will be necessary
"that the Solicitor, Receiver General and Comptroller of the
"Excise, should all join in the application for the return
"of any Bill of Exchange - and he apprehends that it
"must have been so intended."

Treasury Chambers
20 June 1806.

A Bank Book, for the
Receiver Genl of the Excise, &
a Cancelled Note, to be sub-
mitted to the Lords of the
Treasury.

Ordered, That a Book produced by Andrew for the
use of the Receiver General of the Excise, and a specimen
of a Cancelled Bank Note, be sent to the Lords Commis-
sioners of His Majesty's Treasury, for their approbation,
in pursuance of an Act for the better Regulation of
the Office of the Receiver General of the Excise.

Report of the keeping of
Tickets for Transfers &
for Letters of Attorney.

Mr Dawes, the Chief Accountant reported,
that the Transfer Tickets are kept in the different
Offices to very uncertain periods. viz. In the Consols
from the Year 1792, and in the other Transfer Offices
from one, to three years. And that Tickets for Letters
of Attorney have been kept in all the Stock Offices
since December 1802, which have so accumulated,
that in the Consol Office alone, there are 129 Boxes.

—Directions of the
Committee thereon.

The Committee therefore directed, that all
Transfer and Letter of Attorney Tickets which have
been kept upwards of 3 Years, be destroyed: And that
in future Tickets of these descriptions, be only
kept for 3 Years.

Adj. Governor.
in Dep't Governor.
Sir R. B. B. B.
in Thornton &
Adj. B. B. B.

Wednesday 2^d July 1806.

The Minutes of the last Committee were

Minutes read. read.

Affidavit exam?

The Committee examined the Affidavit of William
Walker on the loss of a Bank Note of £10. and Ordered payment
thereof, subject to the approbation of the Court of Directors.
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*Examination of Officers
& Heads of Offices.*

The Committee conversed with Mr Best, Mr Newland and Mr Dawes, regarding the business of their respective Offices and the conduct of their Assistants; and also examined the undermentioned Heads of Offices, respecting the conduct of the Clerks and the execution of the business during the present Quarter, vizt.

Mr Collins ——— Head of the Cashiers in the Hall and the Treasury.
Mr Humble ——— Head of the Bullion Office.
Mr Gunningham — Head of the Exchequer D.
Mr Holland ——— Storekeeper.

Of attendances.

The several accounts of attendances were also examined, and it appearing that the absences which have occurred, in a few instances, have been occasioned by Illness, or sanctioned by leave, the Committee remitted, in every such case, the forfeiture of salary. Payment of the Morning Attendance Money was also ordered, the proportion to Mr Smart, Head of the Clerks in the Cashiers Office, to be doubled.

*Annual Allowances
to Officers considered.*

The Committee also took into consideration the Annual Allowances to the Officers of this House, who are not included in the general distribution of the Morning Attendance Money, and whose salaries have not risen to the appointed maximum. vizt.

Mr Keppon — 2 ^d Assis ^t to the Cashier	$\frac{250 - 3 \text{ Qu}}{300 - 1}$	} £ 30 —
Mr Hutchison. Dep ^t Accountant	$\frac{280 - 3 \text{ Qu}}{300 - 1}$	
Mr Payer — Assistant D.	$\frac{270 - 3 \text{ Qu}}{300 - 1}$	} 22 - 10 - 0
Mr Smith — Dep ^t Secretary	$\frac{220 - }{300 - 1}$	
Mr Knight — Assist ^t D.	$\frac{45 \text{ Qu } 2 \text{ for } 2 \text{ Qu}}{210 \text{ Qu } 1 \text{ for } 1 \text{ Qu}}$	} 6 - 13 - 4
Mr Humble Head of the Bullion Office		
Mr Gunningham Head of the Exchequer D.		} Morning Attendance Money 40 —

*— recommended to
be paid.*

Resolved, That it be recommended to the Court of Directors to Order the said Allowances to be paid.

And

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And that the following Report be made to the Court.

Quarterly Report, to
the Court.

The Committee Report to the Court of Directors,
that they have examined the Principal Officers and Heads of
Officers under their Inspection, and have received a very
satisfactory Account of the Conduct of the Clerks and
the execution of the business. The occasional absence of
some of the Clerks, having been caused by sickness, or
sanctioned by leave, the Committee, in all these Cases,
have remitted the forfeiture of Salary; and have also
ordered the Morning Allowance money to be paid to the
Clerks, according to their respective attendances.

An Answer from
Mr Vansittart to be
requested.

The Secretary was directed to address a Note
from the Governor and Deputy Governor to Mr Vansittart,
to request an answer, regarding the Book to be kept
for the use of the Receiver General of the Excise and the
specimen of a Cancelled Note; which were sent to Mr
Vansittart on the 26th Ult.^o for the approbation of the
Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury.

Circumstances of
Mrs Walton considered.

The Committee having taken into consideration
the Circumstances of Mrs Walton, the Widow of the
late Accountant, and being informed, that she
is left, with one child, on an Income, under £300
per Annum. It was

Resolved,

—Allowances to be
made to Mrs Walton.

That Mrs Walton be allowed to retain
the Furniture to the amount of about £180 which
was purchased by the Bank, for the Accountant's
House: Also, that she be put on the Director's Cha-
ritable Fund, for an Annual Pension therefrom; And
That it be recommended to the Court of Directors, to
present Mrs Walton, with the sum of £500.

Mr Kay's proposal of
the Bill to incorporate
the Globe Company.

The Secretary having been desired to request
Mr Kay to peruse the Bill now before Parliament
for

for incorporating the Globe Insurance Company, and to give his opinion thereon:—the following Letter from Mr Kaye, was now read. Vizt.

Letter from Mr Kaye, on the Bill to incorporate the Globe Insurance Company.

Sir.

I have perused the Bill brought into Parliament, for Incorporating the Globe Insurance Company, which is solely confined to authorize the proposed Corporation to effect Marine Insurances, to insure Vessels employed on Inland Navigations, to lend Money on Bottomry, to insure Property from loss or damage by fire, to effect Life Insurances, and to grant and purchase Life Annuities. — As the Bank Charter does not extend to, or include, any of these Objects, I am of Opinion that the Interests of the Bank, cannot be affected by this Bill passing into a Law.

Robert Best Esq

I am &c. (signed) Joseph Kaye
2^d July 1806.

£4 per Cent Annuity transferred by a forged Power of Attorney.

The Governor acquainted the Committee, that £600 £4 per Cent Annuities, had, on the 21st of Novemb^r, last, been transferred from the Account of Elizabeth Davenport of Reading Berks, widow, by William Prior of the Stock Exchange, by virtue of a power of Attorney for that purpose. And Mr Kaye being conversed with — Mr Kaye consulted thereon, stated — that upon full inquiry being made thereon, the said Power and the attestations thereto appear to be forged; that the said Prior has since committed suicide, and that application has been made to have the £600 £4 per Cent Annuities replaced, and the Dividends due thereon paid: — which Mr Kaye advised the Committee to comply with.

Recommendation to the Court thereon.

Resolved. That it be recommended to the Court of Directors to comply with the above application, upon Mrs Davenports making an Affidavit, on such points as shall be judged necessary by Mr Kaye.

On

Petition from Ann
Horne.

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On reading a Petition from Ann Horne, widow of
Lamb Horne deceased, who was 18 Years a Porter & Watchman,
in the Bank, and was permitted to resign on a Pension, in
the Year 1803. It was
Ordered,

Relief granted to
Ann Horne.

That £4-3-0 the amount of the Pension due
to Lamb Horne, at the time of his decease, be paid to his
Widow, without her administering. That £10-11-9 be
granted to Ann Horne to pay Apothecary's Bills, and a
further sum of £9-8-3 (making a Gratuity of £20) for
her relief. And that she be put on the Directors Charita-
ble Fund for an Annual Pension therefrom.

Petition from Thos.
Bitchnell.

On reading a Petition from Thomas
Bitchnell, one of the Watchmen, stating, that on
account of the long illness of his Wife, he has incurred
a debt of £19-5-0, and must, from his poverty, part
with his goods to pay the same, unless relieved by the
Bank. Ordered,

£20 granted to him.

That £20 be granted for the relief
of the said Thomas Bitchnell.

Petition from John
Bales & James
Thornton.

On reading a Petition from John Bales and
James Thornton, two of the Messengers. It was
Ordered, That the quantity of Coals and Candles
annually allowed to the Gate Porters, who do not live
in the Bank (namely 2 Chald. of Coals and 6 Dozen of
Candles) be granted to each of the said Messengers.

— Granted.

Tuesday 8th July 1806.

Assessment on the
Proprietors of Stock,
signed by the Governor
& Mr. Keave.

This day, the Governor and Mr. Richards Keave
Part: two of the Commissioners appointed by the Court
of Directors on the 26th ult^o under the Act of 56 Geo 3 Cap
65— signed an Assessment on the Proprietors of the
several Annuities, due at this House on the 5th Instant
vixt

vizt £3 per Cent. Annuities; £3 per Cent. 1726, Navy £5 per Cent Annuities, also the Imperial £3 per Cent, and Imperial Annuities for 25 years due 1st May 1806. And the Chief Accountant was directed to deliver the said Appearances to the Special Commissioners under the aforesaid Act, immediately.

Mr Governor.
Mr R. Pease
Mr Raker.
Mr Winthrop
Mr Whitmore.

Wednesday 9th July 1806.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

Affidavits examined.

The Committee examined Affidavits regarding the following Bank Notes vizt.

William Bradley	21 Bank Notes	£107.	} Minus parts lost.
George Kirwood	1	8	
John Rodden	1	8	} mutilated & the number & date not as contained
Henry Fra. Burgess	1	8	
Edward Harrod	1	8	
Ann Norris	1	8	

— Payment ordered.

Payment of the above was Ordered to the Parties respectively; subject to the approbation of the Court of Directors.

Report, on the Treasurer of the Navy's Drawing Account.

Mr. Hare having reported to the Committee that, in the Write Offs, which are used to draw sums from the Account of the Treasurer of the Navy, the Services for which the said sums are respectively drawn, are not specified. The Governor was requested to speak to Mr Scott

— Mr Scott, to be

acquainted therewith Paymaster of the Navy, on this business. And

Mr Hare to prepare a Case, regard the Treasurer of the Navy's Account

Mr Hare was directed to prepare a Case for the opinion of the Attorney General, upon the construction of the 4th Sect. of the 25 Geo 3. Cap 31. regarding the Treasurer of the Navy drawing out the Bank for all Navy Services, and the present practice of the Bank in paying by Write Offs, from the Account of the Treasurer of the Navy.

The

Lists of Clerks, employed on the business of Lord Melville's Trial.

The Chief Accountant and Chief Cashier presented a List of the Clerks in their respective Departments, who were employed at Extra Hours in preparing Accounts for the Trial of Lord Melville, and who attended at Westminster Hall on that occasion. Also an Account of Disbursements for the carriage of Books, Papers &c amounting to £6-10-3.

Consideration of an allowance to them.

The Committee Agreed, that the Clerks who have attended on Evenings and Holidays on the above mentioned business, be paid, at the usual rate, of 10³/₄ for each Holiday, and 5³/₄ for each Evening; and that 5³/₄ be allowed to each Clerk for his attendance at Westminster Hall, the allowance to Cashiers, and Heads of Offices, to be doubled. And that 2³/₄ per day be allowed each of the Porters, for conveying Books &c, to, and from Westminster. It was therefore Resolved.

A sum allowed for Disbursements for the above Extra Business.

That £6-10-3 be allowed for the above mentioned Disbursements - and that the sum of £119-9-9, the amount of payment for Extra Work, and Attendances at Westminster, be granted to the several Persons, named in the Chief Accountants and Chief Cashier's Lists.

Petition of John Mott.

A Petition was read from John Mott, Porter in the Chief Cashier's Office, stating, that he has a Wife and two Children; that his wife is ready to lie in, again, and that he is totally unable to provide necessaries for that occasion. Mr Hase also presented a Paper from Mr Mott from which it appeared, that he is in Debt, for various Articles, to the amount of £31-8-10.

Consideration deferred.

The Committee deferred a decision on the above Petition, for the present.

Report, regarding a forged Bank Note.

Mr Hase brought to the Committee a Bank Note of £1. No 61. dat^d 16 May 1806. which he supposed was a part of the 12 Sheets of Bank Note Paper, lost from the Printing Office

Report continued.

Office in September last. The Number, Date and Signatures were the same as another Note of £1 which was regularly issued from the Bank, and on tracing the latter, it appeared to have been paid at the Bank, to a Mr Hutchings, one of Mr Tenny's men in the Printing Office, in part of change for a £50 Note; which Hutchings had thus changed in order to pay Wages to the Printers on Mr Tenny's Account.

Mr Kaye consulted there on.

Mr Kaye advised, that nothing more be done, at present, than to endeavor to trace the forgery of the first mentioned Note: and Mr Hase was therefore directed to see Mr Tenny and to use all suitable means to accomplish this object.

Referrance from the Court directing Mr Committee to make good the £600 & 4 p^{ts} & Am^t. and the £1000 to be purchased

The Court of Directors, having empowered this Committee to make good the £600 & 4 p^{ts} & Am^t. and the £1000 to be purchased Dividends thereon, which has been transferred & received, by a forged Power of Attorney, from the Account of Elizabeth Davenport of Reading 10th. The Governor reported that Mrs Davenport having made the required Affidavit, he had given an Order for payment of £24. the Amount of Dividends, due to her: And directions were now given for purchasing £600 & 4 p^{ts} & Am^t. into her name.

Book & Cancelled Note for the Receiver General of the Excise, approved.

The Governor informed the Committee that a Letter had been received from Mr Harrison, communicating the approbation of the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, of the Book to be kept for the use of the Receiver General of the Excise, and of three specimens of a Cancelled Note

Mr Governor.
Mr Deputy Governor.
Sir Rich^d. Pearce
Mr Thornton.
Mr Wintthrop &
Mr Whitmore.

Wednesday 16th July 1806.

The Minutes of the last Committee were read.

Affidavits examined.

The Committee examined Affidavits regarding the following Bank Notes. Viz^t

John Burrell - 1. Bank Note - £10. Mismatched

William

William Adams	1 B. note	£1	} mutilated, and the number & dates not ascertained.
Thomas Hollett	1 Id.	1	
Robert Spencer	1 Id.	2	
William Bliss	1 Id.	2	

- Payment Ordered.

Payment of the before mentioned Notes, was Ordered to the Parties, respectively, Subject to the approbation of the Court of Directors.

Printed Bills brot into Parliament to be brot. to the Bank.

The Speaker of the House of Commons having signified his approbation for the Printed Bills brought into Parliament, to be sent from the Vote Office to the Bank:

- Mr Shute sole to look over, & to report on the said Bills.

Resolved, That the same be taken to Mr Shute sole's Office, for him to look over them, in order to bring before the notice of the Committee, such of them, as in any way relate to the Business of the Bank: And, that an Annual Gratuity of Five Guineas be given at the Vote Office.

Mr Dorrington's gratuity to be continued for a time.

It was Agreed notwithstanding the above Resolution, that the Gratuity, which Mr Dorrington receives for sending information of Bills which relate to the Bank, be continued to him, during another Session of Parliament.

Further Report of Mr Hase regard^d Write Offs. used in the Treasurer of the Navy's Account.

Mr Hase having stated to the Committee, that on referring to the Write Offs. which are now used to draw Sums from the Account of the Treasurer of the Navy at this House, the Services for which the said Sums are respectively drawn are expressly mentioned therein. It was therefore

- Mr Kaye's Case thereon not to be presented to the Atty General.

Agreed, That out of his Account, and as Directions have been given that no Draft or Write Off be paid from the Account of the Treasurer of the Navy without a Specification of Services therein. the Case which has been drawn up by Mr Kaye, for the Opinion of the Attorney General, be not presented.

The

Bill to regulate the Office
of the R. G. of the Customs
read, and returned to
Mr Vansittart.

The Governor acquainted the Committee, that he had received from Mr Vansittart the amended Bill for the better regulation of the Office of the Receiver General of the Customs; that the said Bill had been read, and nothing appeared objectionable therein, but one Clause, by which the Bank was required to make out and produce, weekly, an Account of Monies received and issued, on the Account of the said Receiver General at this House. The Governor had therefore returned the Bill to Mr Vansittart, and had requested that the said Clause be struck out therefrom.

The Governor's report of
proceedings, regarding a
Clause in a Bill, to
authenticate certain
Exchequer Bills.

The Governor also reported, that he had written to Mr Harrison, to know, whether the Clause for authenticating certain Exchequer Bills (the continuance of which in the Bill for raising Three millions by Exchequer Bills, the Speaker of the House of Commons had objected to) had been inserted in any other Bill during the present Session. In answer to which the following Note had been received.

Treasury 20th July 1806.

— Mr Vansittart's
Note thereon.

"Mr Vansittart presents his Compliments to the Governor of the Bank and has the honor to inform him, that the Speaker objected to the Clause proposed by the Bank for authenticating Exchequer Bills on the Malt Act, when it was proposed by Mr V to insert it in one of the Exchequer Bill Acts which afterwards passed; It does not appear that it can be introduced, with propriety into any other Bill than the Malt Act of the next Session."

— Application to be
made thereon at the next
Session of Parliament.

Resolved, That application be made at the commencement of the next Session of Parliament in order that the said Clause may be inserted in the Malt Act of the next Year.

— Schmettkott's petition
reconsidered.

On a reconsideration of the Petition of Schmettkott House Porter, It was Resolved

That the Debt which
he

— *Arguing to Schmidt*
Petition.

he states to have incurred, be not paid by the Bank. That Mr
Hase be directed to inform him, that he must apply to his friends
to assist him in this matter, and that if the said Debt shall not
be discharged, he will not be continued in his situation at
this House.

Mr Woodhall to be ap-
pointed an Assistant
Gate Porter.

Resolved, That it be recommended to the Court of Directors
to appoint Charles Woodhall, an Assistant Gate Porter at
the Front Gate: at the wages of £50 per Annum.

Mr Dawes application
for 2 additional House
Porters.

Mr Dawes, the Chief Accountant, having applied
for two additional House Porters; one for the Accountants
Office and the other to assist in the Bank Stock Office &c—

Mr Kreller and Mr Briggs
and Geo Pitt to be off^r.
House Porters.

Resolved, That it be recommended to the Court that
Thomas Kreller (the senior Supernumerary Watchman)
who is employed in the Armory, ^{and} Matthew Briggs and
George Pitt two other Supernumerary Watchmen, be
appointed House Porters: at the wages of £47 per Annum.

Trust Account for the
Royal Bank of Scotland
reported on.

Mr Hase reported, that Samuel Beachcroft Esq.
and Samuel Bosanquet Esq two of the Gentlemen whose
Names are in a Trust Account for the Royal Bank of
Scotland's Account Current, on Loan, in case their
Account should be out of Cash are deceased.

— *The Governor's Dept*
Governor's Names, to be ad-
ded thereto.

Resolved, That the Names of the Governor and Deputy
Governor be added to that of Thomas Kaikes Esq the
Surviving Trustee, for the continuance of the said
Trust.

Drawing Office for the
Public Acc^t to be prepared
and opened.

Resolved, That the separate Drawing Office in the Hall
for the Public Accounts, be opened on the 4th of August: that
Mr Hase report the number of Clerks necessary for the
said Office next week, and that the Clerks who shall be
then selected, prepare for commencing the business of the
said Office, on the 28th July.

Ordered.

Exchequer Bills to be deposited on Fridays.

Ordered,

That Exchequer Bills from the Chief Cashier's Office be deposited in the Strong Closet in the Committee Room, on Fridays, instead of Wednesdays.

Unkayed Report of the Searching of Mr Hutchings's House.

Mr. Kaye acquainted the Committee, that a strict search has been made in the House of Mr Hutchings, one of the men employed in the Printing Office, on account of the Bank Note Paper which has been missing from that Office and of the forged Note of £1. which has been since brought to the Bank. That nothing had been found to throw any light on this matter, or to cast any suspicion on Mr Hutchings's character.

Application of Richard Marston to resign for assistance from the Bank.

An Application was read from Richard Marston a Clerk in the Imperial Annuity Office: Stating that the health of his wife being very precarious and declining, it is necessary that her entire residence should be at the Seaside; and on this account, that he is under the necessity of resigning his situation at this House. But expressing his hopes, that as he has served the Bank 24 Years, with diligence and fidelity, and has the prospect of increased expences, some relief may be granted to him from the Bank. The above Case having been considered,

Resolution of the Committee thereon.

It was Resolved, That the Chief Accountant be directed to inform Mr Marston - that there exists no Precedent of the Bank having granted any relief on the resignation of a Clerk under such Circumstances as he has stated in his Letter. That the Committee cannot therefore recommend his Case to the Court of Directors; but, on account of the length of his service and the good character he has sustained the Governor will grant him six months leave of absence from the Bank, in order that farther trial be made for the recovery of his wife's health; and for his consideration on the result thereof.

Resolved,

Vacancy in the Direction
be filled up.

That it be recommended to the Court of Directors
that the Vacancy in the Direction which has been occasioned
by the death of Samuel Bosanquet Esq. be filled up: and that
the day of Election be Wednesday the 6th August.

— That Langley Esq.
be recommended to the Court

That it also be recommended to the Court, to fill up
the said Vacancy from the Ex-Directors who continued
only two preceding Years in the Direction. And that
Thomas Langley Esq. one of the said Ex-Directors (under
these Circumstances) be recommended, to fill the said
Vacancy.

Mr Shrubsole's Report
regard 2 Bills.

Mr Shrubsole Reported, that in examining
the Bills which have already been sent from the Vote
Office, he has found a reference to the Business of the
Bank in two of the said Bills. Namely In a Bill "For
"making more effectual provision for examining and
"auditing the Public Accounts". and in a Bill "To amend
"an Act of 42 of His present Majesty for consolidating
"the several Acts passed for the redemption and Sale of
"the Land Tax &c."

— Referred to the
Chief Cashier.

Mr Shrubsole was therefore directed
to refer the above Bills, to the Chief Cashier, in whose De-
partment the business appears to belong.

Mr Governor.
Mr Deputy Governor.
Sir R. B. Pearce
Mr Winstanley &
Mr Whitmore.

Wednesday 23rd July 1706.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

The Committee examined Affidavits regarding the
following Bank Post and Bank Notes. Viz^t
Affidavits again.

Thomas Carr	— 1 B ^h Post Bill	— £10. Lost & afterwards presented in a forged Indorsement.
Hugh Jones	— 1 Bank Note	— 10. Lost above 12 mo.
Joseph Bonbours	2 — £	— 7. Depts posts lost.
Mary Park	— 1 — £	— 1 Mutilated & the R ^o & Date not ascertained Payment

Payment Ordered.

Payment of the aforesaid Notes, was Ordered, to the Parties respectively, subject to the approbation of the Court of Directors.

List of Drawing Accounts presented.

Mr Hase presented a List of certain Accounts in the Drawing Office, in order that the Committee might give Directions for the removal of such, as they should think proper, to the new Drawing Office for Public Ac-

Examined & revised Account to be made out.

counts. The Committee examined the said List, and Mr Hase was directed to make out a revised Account for the final determination of the Committee thereon.

Checks for the new Drawing Office, to be printed.

Mr Hase was directed to prepare Cheques for the new Drawing Office: and that they be printed with Red Ink.

Mr Bramah to attend the Committee.

The Secretary was directed to request Mr Bramah to attend the Committee on Wednesday next, on the subject of his Machine for Printing the Numbers and Dates of Bank Notes.

Ordered,

£3. 3. 0 to be paid to Theopt. Browne.

That Three Guineas be paid to Theopt. Browne in the Discount Accountants Office (whose name was omitted in the Accountants List) on Account of his attendance at Westminster Hall, during the trial of Lord Viscount Melville.

Petition of George Somersall, to be laid before the Court.

The Committee of Inspection for the Printing Office &c. having recommended that the Suspension of George Somersall (who had disobeyed the Order of Mr Willis, Principal of the Bank Note Office) be taken off:—The Committee Agreed to lay Mr Somersall's Petition before the Court of Directors.

Mr Governor.
Mr Richard Meave
* Mr Winstrop
Mr Whitmore
* Mr Thornton

Wednesday 30th July 1806.

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The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

Affidavits examined.

The Committee examined Affidavits regarding the following Bank Notes.

Chariana Post	1 Bank Note	£ 10	mutitated
Ant. King Newman	1	8 ^c	10
Th. Trusty Trickey	1	8 ^c	30
John Seeming	1	8 ^c	2

} Decker parts lost.
2 mutitated & sh. 8^c & 2
Note not ascertained.

Payment ordered.

Payment of the above was Ordered to the Parties respectively, Subject to the approbation of the Court of Directors.

Minute of Committee of Inspection that

At the recommendation of the Committee of Inspection for the Printing Office &c. It was Ordered,

— £80 be advanced to Jas Curry.

That £80 be advanced to James Curry a Clerk in the Cash Book Office; to be repaid out of his Wages, at the rate of £8 per Quarter.

Another forged Note, on Bank Paper, appears.

A reference was also read from the above Committee, regarding another forged Note of £1. on Bank Paper; supposed to be a part of the Paper missing from the Printing Office, since September last. The

— Directions for tracing it given.

Mr Governor stated, that directions had been given to trace the said Note.

Mr Bramah, to state his Proposals to the Committee regarding his Machine.

Mr Bramah attended the Committee, with his Machine for printing the Numbers and Dates of Bank Notes, and Mr Kaye and Mr Mellish were conversed with on this business: when it was Agreed, That Mr Bramah should attend on Wednesday next, and state his Proposals to the Committee, regarding the appropriating his Invention, exclusively to the use of the Bank.

Report of 275 notes
paid on Security, being
lost to that Bank.

Mr Kaye reported to the Committee, that in January last, Mr George Trower of Great East Cheap, gave Security to indemnify that Bank on account of 1 Bank note, to the amount of £40; the sinister parts of which were stated to have been lost. That on the 22nd inst. one of the said notes of £10. was paid by the Bank, it having been taken at Messrs Boldero & Co by William Williams an Out Teller, the lost part of it made up with pieces of other notes; in which condition, tho' it was objected to at first, by one of the Inspectors, it had been carried by Williams, to Thomas Middleton another Inspector, by whom it was marked, in consequence of which it was paid & cancelled. That on the 26th inst, another of the said notes, of £5, came to the Bank from Messrs Mainwaring & Co in a similar condition with the former note; but that it had been stopped, and payment of it refused. The Committee having consulted Mr Kaye, on this business, Agreed, not to interfere between Mr Trower & Messrs Mainwaring & Co regarding the note last mentioned. And that as the former note had been allowed in payment & cancelled by the negligence and misconduct of the above named Clerks, Mr Trower's Security should not be called upon to make good the same.

Minutes of the
Committee thereon.

Mr Governor.
Mr Deputy Governor.
Mr R. Pearce.
Mr Winthrop.
Mr Whitmore.

Wednesday 6th August 1806.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

Affidavits examined.

The Committee examined Affidavits regarding the undermentioned Bank notes.

Rev John Cottingham	2 Bank notes	£20	lost above 12 Mo.
Elizabeth Potley	3	8	20
Charles Nelson	1	5	10
Wm Parker Carroll	1	5	5

} sinister parts lost.

John

41.

John Smith	1 Bank note	£10.	Minor part lost.
William Entwistle	1 do	1.	
George Dandridge	1 do	1	
Al. ^m Abrahams	1 do	1.	Mutilated and the Numbers and Dates not ascertained.
Isaac Isaacson	1 do	2	
Mary Cooke	6 do	69	

— Payment ordered. Payment of the foregoing notes was Ordered to the parties respectively, Subject to the approbation of the Court of Directors.

Royal Bank of Scotland Trust Account. The Governor acquainted the Committee, that the Royal Bank of Scotland had signified their consent to the transfer of £23,000 £3 per Cent Reduced Annuities, into the Names of the Trustees mentioned in a Minute of this Committee on the 16th Ult^o.

General Court fixed. The Committee Agreed to recommend to the Court of Directors, that the General Court for declaring the ensuing Dividend, be held, on Thursday the 13th September.

Exchequer Bills, advertised for payment. Mr Hase reported, that Exchequer Bills, dated in September 1805 are advertised to be paid, and that that Bank holds Bills of that date, to the amount of £920,000.

— Those held by the Bank to be received in money. Resolved. That payment of the same be received in money, in preference to an exchange of Bills.

Gratuities ordered. Ordered. That the following Gratuities be paid, to the Persons undermentioned, for the present Year, in consideration of their having been removed from the Cashier's Office, and consequently not sharing with the Clerks in that Office, in the division of the Loan Money.

To Benjamin Kiddell — Head of the General Cash Book Office	£ 50.
To William Harris — Head of the Div ^d Ward Office.	120.
To Thomas Blips — Head of the Investigators.	40
To Thomas Glover — 2 ^d in the above Office.	85.

The

Minute, regard^d the Gra-
tunity to the Interior Court
Office.

The Governor Reported - that by a Minute of
this Committee of the 18th May 1797. the Gratuity to the
Interior Office in the Consul's Office & Ann^t. had been fixed
at £400 per Annum, and that it was not meant to be
increased should another Clerk be added to that Office -
- but that since the above date, on account of the
increase of business, several Clerks have been suc-
cessively added, and the Gratuity proportionally increased.

- To be considered
at a future time.

The Committee Agreed to consider this subject, in
the event of any additional assistance being wanted
for that Office.

Examination of two
Clerks, regarding the
passing of a mutilated
B. Note.

The Committee examined Mr William
the Out-Teller, and Mr Middleton the Inspector, who
were concerned in suffering the mutilated Note of £10 to be
passed and cancelled, as mentioned in a Minute of the
last Committee. It appeared, that Mr Middleton had
marked the Note, on the promise of William to get it
examined - He was therefore admonished, never to act
thus, in future; but Mr William's conduct appearing
to be very reprehensible - He was reprimanded - and also
informed - that he must make good the amount of
the said Note.

Mr Middleton, ad-
monished - and

Mr William, direct-
ed to pay the amount of the
Note.

Instructions to Mr Champ
regard^d Mutilated Notes, was called in and directed, that all mutilated Notes

- and of their being
marked by the Inspector,

Mr Champ, the Head of the Inspector's Office
be sent to the Accountants Office to be examined, before
they be marked by any Inspector. He was also directed,
to consider the propriety of the Inspector's putting a
mark on any mutilated Note, which they may decline
to pass, in order, that another Inspector to whom it may
be presented, may know of its having been previously
objected to

SW.

Mr Bramah attended with his machine &c.

Mr Bramah attended with his machine, in which he had introduced a material improvement. He was again requested, to propose terms, for the appropriating his invention exclusively, to the use of the Bank.

Conversation with Mr Hase, regarding the new Drawing Office.

The Committee conversed with Mr Hase, on the subject of his recommendation to the Committee of Inspection for the Drawing Office &c. that the Drawing Office for the Public Accounts should be considered as a separate Establishment, and be superintended by a Principal and an Assistant. The Report of the said Committee to the Court, was also read: and it was agreed, that the subject be taken into consideration at a future Committee.

Report of the Committee of Inspection read: the subject to be further considered.

Mr Deputy Governor
Sir R Bouverie —
Mr Thornton —
Mr Winthrop
Mr Whitmore.

Wednesday 13th August 1806.

The Minutes of the last Committee were read.

Affidavits examined.

The Committee examined Affidavits regarding

the undermentioned Bank notes, viz^t.

Sir John St Aubin Bart. 48 B. Notes — £400. Two parts lost.

Abraham Newland	1	1	} paid by Newland in a mutilated state on the 11 th of Nov. 1806. A note of the same &c. &c. at that period, since come in.
John Shepherd	2	2	
John Barr	1	1	
Jos. Pitt	1	1	

Payment ordered.

Payment of the above was Ordered to the Parties respectively, Subject to the approbation of the Court of Directors.

Wednesday

at Dep^y Governor.
Sir Rich^d Mead.
at Rarick.
at Winthrop
at Whitmore.

Wednesday 20th August 1806.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

Affidavits examined.

The Committee examined Affidavits regarding the undermentioned Bank Post Bills and Bank Notes.

William Birkett	1 B. Post Bill	£15.	} Lost above 12 months.
Robert Ewing	1 do do	35.	
John Robertson	1 Bank Note	5.	
Thomas Smith	1 do	10.	Misdated
William Chowne	1 do	1.	Mutilated & the R ^{ts} & Date not ascert ^d .

Payment Ordered.

Payment of the above was Ordered to the Parties respectively, Subject to the approbation of the Court of Directors.

at Governor.
at Dep^y Governor.
Sir Rich^d Mead
at Rarick.
at Thornton &
at Winthrop.

Wednesday 27th August 1806.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

Affidavits exam^d.

The Committee examined Affidavits regarding the following Bank Notes, viz^t:

John King	1 Bank Note	£50.	Lost above 12 mo ^s .
Sarah Plydell	2 do	45.	Dexter parts lost.
John Lark	1 do	1.	Mutilated & the R ^{ts} (Date not ascert ^d).

Payment Ordered.

Payment of the above was Ordered to the Parties respectively, Subject to the approbation of the Court of Directors.

The Case of two B. Notes the respective parts of which were forged - considered.

W. Hase produced to the Committee two Notes of £10 each; the dexter part of one and the sinister part of the other were corresponding parts of a good Note, but they were attached to other parts, which were forged. One of the said Notes was taken by a Mr Moore

£10. granted to Mr
Moore.

of St. James's Street, and he having used some diligence in tracing out and obtaining the other, it was agreed, that altho it will not be proper to pay the said Note, yet that £10 be presented to Mr. Moore.

Letter from Mr Bramah
read.

A Letter from Mr Bramah to the Governor was read, stating, that he has proceeded with his Patent, and hopes it will pass the great Seal, this week. A Letter from him, addressed to the Governor and Directors was also read, which included a Proposal, to the following effect.

Mr Bramah's Pro-
posals, respecting his
machines.

That, for a Licence for the Bank to use his Machines in common with the Public £2000 be paid to Mr Bramah: but that if the Bank should prefer a final purchase of the exclusive right, to the said Invention, and that forever, Mr Bramah expected a Sum, not less, than £10,000.

Resolved.

Resolution of
the Committee,

That in the opinion of the Committee thereon the Sum which Mr Bramah requires for the purchase of his Invention, is far beyond any benefit which the Bank can derive from it. And that the Committee will therefore prefer the purchasing of as many of Mr Bramah's machines, when they shall be perfected, as may be thought necessary, for the use of the Bank.

A Report, on the con-
duct of John White
& Sam^l Deaper.

The Deputy Governor acquainted the Committee, that Mr Hase had made a Report to him, regarding the conduct of Mr John White, an In-Teller and Mr Sam^l Deaper of the Income Office, but occasionally employed in the Chief Cashier's Office: who, by speculations in the purchase and sale of Annuities, had incurred a Debt, to their Broker of ^{about} £500, which they are unable to pay. The Deputy Governor stated, that he had directed Mr Hase to dispencc with the attendance of the said

said Clerks, at business, till the Governor and Committee
had been acquainted with their conduct. It was then

Agreed, That they be desired to attend that Bank tomorrow,
and that their conduct be mentioned to the Court.

Thursday 28th August 1806.

Mr Governor
Mr Deputy Governor.

Further examination
of John White & Samuel
Draper.

The Governor and Deputy Governor called for an
examination of White and Mr Draper, and examined them regarding
their late conduct. It appeared from the evidence of
both of them, that they had jointly held about £800
Omnium, soon after the last Loan was made, on the
settling of which, Draper had about £30 to pay. As he
was not able to do this, White had engaged in additional
Transactions in Omnium, on their joint account, for
the purpose of benefitting himself and enabling
Draper to discharge his Debt. But they were still
unfortunate; and their Broker now demands
upwards of £500, of which about £170, is due from
Draper.

Report regarding
them to be made to the
Court.

The Governor's Agreed to report this
matter to the Court; to recommend that White &
Draper be suspended, till they shall have settled
their Affairs, and that they afterwards be removed
to the Bank Note Office.

Mr Governor.
Mr Deputy Governor.
Mr Richd. Neave
Mr Winstrop
Mr Whitmore.
Minutes read.

Wednesday 3 September 1806.

The Minutes of the last meeting of the
Committee were read.

Affidavits examined.

The Committee examined Affidavits
regarding the following Bank Notes. viz

Robert

affidavits examined.

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Robert Jelf	1 Bank note	£10. Dexter part lost.
William Burt	1 do	10. Sinister pt do
James Smith	1 do	1 mutilated
do	1 do	1 do and the number
William James	1 do	1 and Date not ascertained

Payment Ordered.

Payment of the above was Ordered to the Parties respectively, Subject to the approbation of the Court. -

Petition of Elizabeth
Hatfield - 10th read.

A Petition was read from Elizth Hatfield
Widow of John Hatfield, late a Clerk in this House, stating
that she is left with 11 infant Children and under con-
siderable pecuniary difficulties, on account of the long
illness and the funeral expences of her late husband;
and, that as he had been only about 9 years in the service
of the Bank, she shall derive no benefit from the Clerk's
Widow's Fund. On inquiry it appeared, that
the said John Hatfield had conducted himself in a
very proper and commendable manner as a Clerk in
this House; that the property he has left produces
about £50 a year, a part of which, however the
Executors fear must be sold to pay Debts, totally
unavoidable.

Resolved. That £10th 15th 0, the sum which the Hatfield
the Committee thereon, had subscribed to the Clerk's Widow's Fund, be granted
to his widow, as has been usual in similar cases;
and that £100 be also allowed her, in consideration
of her infant family, and of the excellent character
and long illness of her deceased Husband.

Petition of John Cole
House Porter.

On the Petition of John Cole a House Porter in
the Accountants Office, and the report of the Chief
Accountant on the truth of the circumstances stated
in the said Petition,

Ordered

£23-4-0 granted to John Cole.

Ordered, That £23-4-0 be paid to the said John Cole he having paid that sum to substitutes for performing his Day and Watch Duty, while he has been incapable of doing the same, on account of illness.

Report regard John Mops, and W. Tomkins Librarians.

The Committee of Inspection for the Printing Office &c, having stated to this Committee, that John Mops, late the senior librarian, had been removed into one of the Stock Offices, and that Wheeler Tomkins had become senior librarian in his room. On which the Committee Agreed,

— Resolution of the Committee thereon.

That the £10 per Annum granted to the said John Mops as Senior Librarian should cease, and that it be recommended to the Court to allow Wheeler Tomkins an extra £10 per Annum so long as he shall continue in the Library.

the Governor.
the Deputy Governor.
Sir R. Peard.
the Wintthrop &
the Whitmore.

Wednesday 10th September 1806

The Minutes of the last meeting were read.

Affidavits examined.

The Committee examined Affidavits regarding the following Bank notes. Viz^t

John Dyer — 2 Bank notes — £100. Depts parts lost
Susanna Mitchell 1 — Do — 5. Sinister pt. &
Samuel Broughan 1 — Do — 1. mutilated & the R.
Date not ascertained.

— Payment ordered.

Payment of the above was Ordered to the Parties respectively, subject to the approbation of the Court of Directors.

Wm Brewer's Income Duty, paid.

Ordered, That £17-5-0 be paid to William Brewer on account of the Income Duty which he has paid on his Salary, for the year ending the 5th April 1806. Agreeably to a Resolution of this Committee on the 16th of April, last.

Petition of J. White and
Sam^r Draper.

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A Petition from John White, and another from Samuel

Draper (both Clerks under suspension) was read, praying to
be restored to the service of the Bank.

Resolved,

— referred to the Com-
mittee of Inspection —

That the said Petitions be referred to the Com-
mittee of Inspection for the Printing Office H^o for the
purpose of its being ascertained whether all the pecuniary
difficulties of the said Clerks, have been satisfactorily
adjusted.

Ordered,

Committee for the Ac-
counts to meet on
Tuesday.

That this Committee be summoned to meet
on Tuesday next at one o'clock to examine the Half
Yearly Accounts H^o instead of Wednesday.

Mr Governor.

Mr Dep^y Governor.

Mr Rich^d. Meare.

Mr Winthrop.

Friday 12th September 1806.

An Application from the Bill-holders of

Application from the
Bill-holders of Mess^{rs}
G. Sharp & Sons.

Mess^{rs} George Sharp and Sons, which was presented to
the Court yesterday, and referred to this Committee to
do therein as they should see proper — was now considered.
The Committee being informed that instead of £50,000
which was applied for from the Bank, £36,000 only
would be wanted (they having been otherwise accom-
modated with £14,000) and the following Notes being
now presented — viz^t

Notes presented
for Discounting.

Mess ^{rs} Nash and Sons	— on.	James Atkinson H ^o	£6,000
do		do ^r Harcourt H ^o	5,000
Mess ^{rs} Wm ^o Rowlatt	—	Mess ^{rs} Sims & Son	15,000
Edward Parsons H ^o	—	P. and C. Splitt	10,000
			£36,000

— The whole to have Mess^{rs} Sharp's intermediate in-
dorsement thereon. Resolved,

To be discounted
Reported to the Court.

That the said Notes
be discounted — and reported to the next Court.

Mr Governor
 Mr Deputy Governor.
 Sir Richard Meares
 Mr Thornton.
 Mr Winthrop
 Mr Whitmore.

Tuesday 16th September 1806.

The Minutes of the two preceding Meetings
 were read.

Affidavits examined.

The Committee examined Affidavits, relating
 to the undermentioned Bank Notes. viz.

John Giles Esq. & Co	1	Bank note £20 - Dexter part lost.	
in Bank Hodgson			
Capt ^l Keating Roche	1	do	2. } mutilated, and
Benjamin Fleet	1	do	1. } the no ^o and date
James Miller	1	do	1. } not ascertained.

Payment Ordered.

Payment of the above was Ordered to the Parties
 respectively Subject to the approbation of the Court of
 Directors.

Report of a Correspond-
 ence, regarding the
 Receiver General of the
 Post Office's Account at
 the Bank.

The Governor acquainted the Committee,
 that he had directed a Letter to be sent to the Post-Master
 General, stating, that notwithstanding the Act of Parliament
 "for the better regulation of the Receiver General of the Post
 Office in England" directs, that an Account shall be
 raised in the Books of the Bank entitled "An Account
 of the Public Monies of the Receiver General of the Post
 Office" - no such Account has yet been raised at that Bank;
 but the Account is still kept by, and in the name of John
 Northcote Esq. whose Drafts continue to be paid, as heretofore.
 And therefore requested their Lordships to cause the
 Regulations contained in the said Act, to be complied with.

That a Letter, in answer to the above, had been
 received from Mr. Trevelyan Secretary to the Post Office,
 stating "that the Receiver General lately addressed a
 Letter to the Lords of the Treasury, expressive of his
 difficulties, under the wording of the Act, in consequence
 of which their Lordships have directed a Case to be
 drawn up and submitted for the opinion of the

"The Attorney and Solicitor General."

The Governor conversed with Lord H. Petty.

The Governor further repeated, that in a recent conversation with Lord Henry Petty, his Lordship had expressed his opinion, that the Bank should require, that the before mentioned Act should be complied with; and also the Act which relates to the Surveyor General of the Woods and Forests.

Another Letter to be sent to Mr. Freeling. And a Letter to the Surveyor General of the Woods and Forests.

Ordered,

That a Letter, as follows, be sent to Mr. Freeling. And that a Letter, similar to that which has already been addressed to Mr. Freeling, be sent to the Surveyor General of the Woods and Forests.

To Francis Freeling Esq

Sir.

Bank of England 17th Sept. 1806.

Letter to Mr. Freeling by. —

I am directed by the Governor and Deputy Governor of the Bank, to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 10th Inst. and in reply, to desire you will make known to their Lordships, the Postmaster General, that the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, cannot but consider the Act, for the better regulation of the Office of Receiver General of the Post Office in England, as Imperative upon them, so far as concerns the stating and keeping the Account of the Receiver General in their Books, and the form and tenor of his Drafts on which they are to pay monies deposited with them; that the Account has not been yet opened as the Act directs, but that all monies he paid by John Montlock Esq into the Bank since the passing of the Act, have, as theretofore, been paid to them, in his name, and considered as on his private Account; and in like manner have his Drafts on the Bank, without alteration or being Counter signed, been passed and paid. Under these Circumstances, the Bank do not

not think themselves warranted to continue the Account, as now raised in their Books, or to make Payments on Drafts similar to those now passing upon them, therefore request their Lordships to take the most speedy and effectual measures for having the Act strictly & speedily carried into execution, so far as concerns the Bank of England.

I am Sir^{ts}
(signed) Robt Best Secy

in Governor.
in Deputy Governor.
in Rich^d. Meade
in Thornton,
in Winthrop
in Whitmore.
minutes read.

Thursday 18th September 1866.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

Resolved, That the following Report, be made to the Court of Directors - That having examined the state of the Bank's Accounts, the Committee are of opinion, that it will be advisable to recommend to the General Court, to make, at this present time, a participation of £5 per Cent, out of the Interest and Profits of this Corporation, over and above the usual half yearly Dividend of £3½ per Cent: And that both the above sums be included in one Warrant.

Wednesday 26th Sept. 1866.

Minutes read.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

Affidavits exam^d.

The Committee examined Affidavits, regarding the undermentioned Bank Notes. Viz:

John Rhodes	2 Bank Notes	£3.	} mutilated & the Numbers & Dates not ascertained.
George Mason	1 do	1	
Thomas Tait	1 do	1	

Payment Ordered.

Payment of the above was Ordered to the parties respectively, subject to the approbation of the Court.

Resignation of
Stephen Tucker.

A Letter, addressed to the Court of Directors, was read from Stephen Tucker, a Clerk in the Bank Note Office, stating, that he has obtained an appointment in the Ordnance Office, and therefore wishes to resign the Service of the Bank. It was Agreed, that Mr. Tucker's Letter be presented to the Court.

Petition of Thomas Hackett - to be restored to the Service &c.

The Committee of Inspection for the Stock Offices having recommended to the Court of Directors, that Thomas Hackett, a Clerk in the Exchequer Office, who was suspended in June last on account of embarrassed circumstances - be re-instated; And that this Committee do advance £30 to him, for the purpose of settling his Affairs. It was Agreed.

- Resolution of the Committee thereon.

That Mr Hackett's petition to be restored to the Service, be presented to the Court; and in the event of the Court's acceding thereto, to advance £30 to him - to be repaid, by quarterly payments of £2-10-0 each.

Reg^d Parker & Chas. Lemage - to discontinue signing Div^d Warrants.

The Committee Agreed, that Reginald Parker, who has been placed in the Will Office, in the Exchequer Office; and Charles Lemage of the Accountants' Drawing Office, should discontinue signing Dividend Warrants. And also to recommend to

Wheeler Tomkins & Rowland Richardson - recommended to be appointed to sign Div^d Warrants.

the Court, that Wheeler Tomkins, one of the Librarians, and Rowland Richardson of the Accountants Office, be appointed to sign Dividend Warrants, in their stead.

The Gratitude to Chas. Lemage to be continued.

The Committee also Agreed, on the representation of the Chief Accountant that the before named Charles Lemage is a deserving Clerk but growing old and infirm - to continue the Gratitude of £20 per Annum - which he has received for signing Dividend Warrants.

Bank notes, presented for payment in a mutilated state.

Mr. Hase brought to the Committee a parcel of Bank Notes, sent from a Mr. Bulmer in the County to Messrs. Ransom & Co. Bankers. Much of the said Notes, was cut off, round their edges, but the numbers, dates & Cashiers signature, were preserved on them, respectively. The Committee consented to the payment of the said Notes, but directed Mr. Hase to desire Mr. Bulmer never to cut the Notes of this House, in such a manner, in future, as the Cashiers would be ordered, not to pay Notes, in such a mutilated state.

Directions to Mr. Hase thereon.

A Note of £5. more mutilated than the Notes above mentioned, was shown to the Committee, by Mr. Hase.

It was brought for payment by Messrs. Devaynes & Co. of Chancery Lane; and Mr. Hase was directed to ask them, for the parts of the Note which have been cut off, and if they cannot be produced, to require an Affidavit, stating what has been done with them.

Directions to Mr. Hase, thereon.

Ordered.

John Knight appointed to the Sunday Duty.

That John Knight Assistant Secy, be added to the list of Clerks who have been appointed to attend at the Bank on Sundays, in the room of Mr. Dawes, the Chief Accountant, who retires from that Duty.

Report of a Power of Attorney, witnessed for the sale of some Stock, which appeared to have been by 2 Servants.

Mr. Dawes presented a power of Attorney witnessed by two Servants, and their description, as such, to have been inserted since the execution of the said Power.

Mr. Hase's Objections to the same, some Objections to the Bank's accepting a power of Attorney, when witnessed by Servants, and that it had also been suggested, that the Name of the Place, at which every power of Attorney shall be executed, should be

Mr. Dawes stated, that Mr. Hase had made

be inserted, at the time of execution.

Mr Kase to draw up
Additional Regulations
to be inserted in Powers of
Attorney.

Mr Dawes was therefore directed to desire Mr Kase
to draw up such additional Regulations, as he thinks
necessary to be inserted in Powers of Attorney, and to bring
them before the Committee, for its consideration.

Mr Governor
Mr Depts Governor.
Sir Rich^d. Meade
Mr Thouton.
Mr Winthrop.
Mr Whitmore.

Wednesday 7. October 1806.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

The Committee examined Affidavits regarding
the undermentioned Bank Notes. viz^t

Thomas Harding	— 8 B. Notes —	£46. destroyed.
Edward Dysaght	— 1 do —	10. destroyed & lost.
Thomas Turner	— 1 do —	1. mutilated & the
William Lawrence	— 1 do —	1. No ^s and Dates not
		ascertained.

Payment Ordered.

Payment of the above was Ordered, subject
to the approbation of the Court of Directors.

Resignation of

A Letter from Henry Wainwright Humphreys

H. W. Humphreys, a Clerk in the Accountants Office, was read, resigning
his situation in the Bank. The Committee agreed to
lay the said Letter before the Court.

Mr Kase's Regulations
for Powers of Attorney a Copy of Regulations which Mr Kase is of opinion
presented.

Mr Dawes the Chief Accountant presented
should be inserted in Powers of Attorney, to insure a

— Referred to the proper execution thereof: — they were referred by the
Committee for Law Suits, Governor, to the Committee for Law Suits.

Ordered.

£30 advanced to Thos
Hackett.

That agreeably to a Minute of the
last Committee, £30 be advanced to Thomas Hackett.

a Clerk, in the Exchequer Office, which sum is to be paid at the rate of £2.10.0 each quarter.

Note from Mr Herbert of the Treasury: requesting sundry accounts.

Mr Hase laid before the Committee a Note from Mr Herbert of the Treasury, addressed to Mr Newland, requesting that he might be furnished with an Account of all Treasury Bills, advised to the Bank, and which fell due between this period and the 9th inst. Also, of the amount of Bills, over due, and outstanding, and of the balance of Money remaining at the Bank for paying Treasury Bills. Likewise, that a weekly Account of Bills which become due, may be sent to him every Thursday morning. —

Resolved.

— Mr Newland to send an Answer to Mr Herbert.

That Mr Newland be directed to state to Mr Herbert, the amount of Treasury Bills over due, and outstanding; and to acquaint Mr Herbert, that with respect to the other Statements, he can obtain from the Treasury, the information required.

Mr Governor.
Mr Deputy Governor.
Mr Thornton.
Mr Winstrop.
Mr Whitmore.

Wednesday 8th October 1806.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

Affidavits examined.

The Committee examined Affidavits, regarding the following Bank Notes, viz:

John Lawton	1	Bank note	£10.	part burnt.
Lieut. H. M. Maurice	1	do	5	destroyed
Mr. John Throckmorton	1	do	1	} mutilated, & the No. and dates, not ascertained.
John Walton	1	do	1	
Joseph Brittain	1	do	1	

Payment Ordered.

Payment of the above, was Ordered to the parties, respectively, subject to the approbation of the Court of Directors. —

The

Examination of
Officers and Heads of
Offices.

The Committee conversed with Mr. Best, Mr. Newland
and Mr. Davies, regarding the business of their respective Offices,
and the conduct of their Assistants; and also examined the
undemonstrated Heads of Offices, respecting the conduct of the
Clerks, and the execution of the business, during the present quarter.

Mr Collins ——— Head of the Cashiers in the Hall, &c.
in the Treasury.
Mr Humble ——— Head of the Bullion Office.
Mr Gunningham — Head of the Exchequer &c. and
Mr Holland ——— Storekeeper.

—Accounts of At-
tendances examined.

The several Accounts of attendances were
also examined, and it appearing that the Absences which
have occurred, in a few instances, have been occasioned
by sickness or been sanctioned with leave, the Committee
remitted, in every Case, the forfeiture of Salary. Payment
of the morning Attendance money was also ordered;
and the proportion to Mr Smart, Head of the Cashiers
Office, directed to be doubled.

—Quarterly Report
to be made to the Court.

Resolved, That a Report, conformable with the
above examination and proceedings, be made to the
Court of Directors.

Petition of Elizabeth
Uwins —

A Petition was read from Elizabeth
Uwins, widow of Thomas Uwins lately deceased who
was a Clerk in this House 38 Years; was Head of the
Accountants post Bill Office 14 Years, and who retired
on a pension of £180 per Ann^m. in the Year 1799. Mrs Uwins
prayed to be put on the Widow's List, to receive an Annual
pension from the Directors Charitable fund.

Order of the Committee
thereon —

Ordered, That the petition of Elizabeth Uwins be

be granted; and that she be put on the List, to receive an annual pension from the Directors Fund, as the Widow of one of the ^{Deceased} Heads of Office.

Petition of John
Carter, Porter and
Watchman.

On reading the Petition of John Carter, House
Porter and Watchman.

Order of the Committee
thereon.

Ordered,

That the sum of £19² 2⁶ be granted to
him, to defray Apothecary's Charges on Account of his late
illness; and that a further sum of £12⁶ 0 be allowed him,
to pay the Substitutes who performed his Day and Watch Duty,
while he was sick and absent.

Mr Vaux's Account
of Services & Disburse-
ments presented.

The Secretary presented Accounts, which
he had received of Mr Vaux, Surgeon, of his Disbursements
for Medicines &c. on Account of the Labourers and the Porters
of this House. viz^t,

From the 1st Octo 1804, to 1st Octo 1805 ————— £ 7⁴ 2.

From the 1st Octo 1805 to 29th Sep^r 1806 ————— 11¹⁹ 11.

For Medicines for Mr Hogg's Clerk in the
Bank, but who is now allowed a pension, on } 9¹³ 0
Account of mental derangement —————

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Also, An Account of Mr Vaux's professional Attendances
on such of the Porters and Laborers as have been subject to
Casualties from the 1st Octo 1804 to the 29th Sep^r 1806.

Order of the Com-
mittee thereon.

Ordered,

That £29² 1. the amount of the before
mentioned Bills for medicine, be paid to Mr Vaux, and
that a further Sum be presented to him, to make up £100. —

Checks, in Red Ink,
charged, by Mr Terry,
higher than those in
Black Ink.

Mr Terry, Engraver and Printer to the Bank
was called in to the Committee, to account for his having
charged a greater price for the new Checks printed with
Red Ink, than for Checks printed with Black Ink. He
acquainted the Committee, that the Printing Red Ink
Checks

Checks, is attended with additional labor, and an increased
expense of materials; and that the Custom of the Trade, therefore is,
to charge half as much more, for working Copper Plates with
Red, than with Black Ink.

Mr. Hase to make
inquiries regarding the
same.

Mr. Tenny's Bill was then handed to the Quarterly
Committee; but Mr. Hase was desired to make inquiry regarding
the Custom of the Trade, in business of the before mentioned kind.

Mr. Governor,
Mr. Dep. Gov.
Mr. Winthrop
Mr. Whitman.

Wednesday, 15 October, 1806.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

Affidavits exam'd.

The Committee examined affidavits regarding
the following Bank Notes, viz:
George Cortis, a Bank Note £50. the sinister part lost,
Susannah Powell D^o 5. D^o
Jeremiah Baldwinson D^o 10. the dopter part D^o
Hannah Fogg D^o 2.
John Long D^o 2. } partly destroyed &
John Greenhow D^o 1. } the numbers or dates
Charles Booth D^o 1. } not ascertained.

Payment ordered.

Payment of the above was ordered to the parties respectively,
subject to the approbation of the Court of Directors.

Upon reading the following Letter, viz:
Sir,
British Museum,
Oct. 18th 1806.

Letter from the British
Museum, regarding
the Mosaic Pavement.

"Understanding that it is the Intention of
the Court of Directors of the Bank of England, to
present the Mosaic Pavement, which is in their
possession, to the Trustees of the British Museum,
if, upon inspection, it should be deemed worthy
of Acceptance, I am anxious, as Superintendent
of the Antiquities in that Institution, to express to
you my conviction, having seen the pavement, that
such a present will be highly esteemed by the Trustees,
and

and that they will entertain a just sense of the Importance of such an acquisition to the National Collection.

I have the Honor to be,

With great Respect,

Sir, (Y^r Obed^t Serv^t.)

T. Combe."

Boston Long, Esq.

Resolved,

The Mosaic Pavement
be presented to the
British Museum.

That the Mosaic Pavement, which has been found on the premises of the Bank, be presented to the Trustees of the British Museum, and that the Secretary do write to M^r. Combe, to know when it will be convenient to him to receive the same.

in Sept^r Governor.
in Windsor
in Whitmore.

Wednesday 22^d October 1806.

Minutes read.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were

read.

Affidavits exam^d.

The Committee examined Affidavits

regarding the following Bank notes, viz^t:

John Hadwen	1 Bank note	£10.	lost above 12 Mos ^o .
Elizabeth Banks	1	8 ^d	1
William Hearsay	1	8 ^d	1
William Skinner	1	8 ^d	1

} mutilated &
the numbers &
dates not ascer-
tained.

Payment Ordered.

Payment of the above, was Ordered to the

Parties respectively, subject to the approbation of the Court of Directors.

Bank notes, in a mu-
tilated state, presented
for payment.

Mess^{rs}. Brickett & Round & Co^s of Colchester,

having solicited payment of 3 Bank Notes, amounting to £5. alleging that they had been received in the course of business, in the mutilated state they are now in.

Resolved,

Resolution therein.

That Mess^{rs}. Brickett & Co^s be informed that they should not have received Bank Notes,

in such a mutilated state (they being without number and Date): and that the same be returned, as that Bank cannot pay them, but by the Affidavit of the parties, stating, how the notes became so mutilated. —

Wednesday 29th October 1806.

Mr Deputy Governor

Mr Raikes &

Mr Winstrop.

Minutes read.

read.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were

Affidavits examined.

The Committee examined Affidavits

regarding the following Bank Notes. viz^t

William Leverton	1	10 Note	£10.	} Sixteen parts lost —
Richard Metherington	1	do	10	
Mark Thomson	1	do	5.	
Lucy Burroughs	3	do	11.	} Eight parts lost
Samuel Corbitt	1	do	1.	

1. Mutilated, without
no or Date.

Payment Ordered.

Payment of the above was Ordered to the

Parties respectively; subject to the approbation
of the Court of Directors.

The Deputy Governor reported, that

Report from the
Deputy Governor of

the following Notice had been Posted up, at the

Discount Office. viz^t

— Notices Posted
in the Discount
Office —

"As the Amount of the Property Tax
"on the Interest of Bills on the Public Offices
"bearing Interest dated after the 10th October 1806,
"will be deducted from the Amount at the time
"of Payment (agreeably to the Act of the 46 Geo. 3.
"Cap 65. Sec. 109.)"

"The Discounters of such Bills at the Bank
"are required to calculate and deduct the said Tax
"from the total Amount of each Bill, at the foot thereof."

Bank notes, mutilated, presented for payment.

Mr Hase brought 7 Bank Notes, of £1 each, to the Committee, which had been presented for payment by ^{John} ~~Mr. B. H. H.~~ Mr. B. H. H. These notes were so much reduced by being cut round their respective Edges, that the Name of the Cashier, on each of them, was partly cut off.

Resolved,

— Not to be paid for the present.

That the said Notes, being both mutilated and also in part cancelled by the parties holding them be not, for the present, paid by the Bank. —

Transfer of Bank

Stock requested, under certain Circumstances,

Mr Dawes, the Chief Accountant, stated to the Committee, that a transfer of £2056-18-8 Bank Stock is applied for, under the following Circumstances. The said Stock is about to be transferred from the Name of Benjamin Love of Fulham decd. into the joint Names of Henry Cline, Samuel Shore, Thomas Palmer & George Smith Esqrs: and a Power of Attorney has been presented from the latter Gentleman, who is Chief Justice of Grenada, authorising the other three parties, jointly with themselves, to accept the said Stock, when transferred, and also to assign and sell the same. But, it is stated, that Samuel Shore, one of the three, is old and infirm, and that his coming to Town, from Yorkshire, would be attended with much inconvenience and hazard: the Application to the Bank, therefore, is, that the power, which has been given by Mr Smith, to the aforesaid three parties, jointly, may be acted on, without the attendance of Mr Shore.

— Mr Kaye Consulted thereon.

Mr Kaye having been consulted, gave his Opinion, that the presence and signature of Mr Shore, will be necessary, to make the proposed Transfer strictly legal. But, in order to afford all proper

Offer made by the proper accommodation, the Deputy Governor mentioned Bank, to accommodate the parties. That an Offer had been made by the Bank, to permit the required transfer to be made without Mr Shore's attendance thereon, provided Mr Cline and Mr Palmer would indemnify the Bank for the same; that this Offer having been declined, Mr Bigoe Chas. Williams, had proposed to give an indemnity. On which, it was now Resolved,

Resolution of the Committee on this business. That unless Messrs Cline and Palmer consent to give the required Indemnity to the Bank, the proposed Transfer be not permitted to be made, without the presence and signature of Mr Shore.

Letter from Francis Moore Esq: respect Deputy Secretary at War, addressed to the Governor and Deputy Governor of the Bank, was read, inclosing an Order, which has been usually issued to the "Chief Officer in Staff waiting for the three Regiments of Foot Guards": signifying His Majesty's Pleasure - "that no parties of Foot Guards, do march into or take post, within any part of the City of London during the time of the approaching Election for Members of Parliament for the City of London; and for one day, at least, previous thereto; nor until one day, at least, after the Poll to be taken at such Election be ended, and the Poll Books closed."

Resolution of the Committee to provide for the Protection of the Bank. Resolved, That Provision be made for the protection of the Bank, during the absence of the King's Guard, in a manner similar to that which took place, on a like occasion in July 1802. That Thirty of the Porters and Watchmen, Armed and Accoutred, take this duty, on each night; and that they be superintended by Officers of this House to be selected by

by the Governor and Deputy Governor in succession,
so long as the Service shall require.

Resolved, That a communication of the above,
to be communicated to the Court.
be made to the Court of Directors.

Mr Governor.
Mr Deputy Governor.
Sir Richard Meade.
Mr Raikes.
Mr Winthrop.

Wednesday 5th November 1806.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

The Committee examined Affidavits regarding
the undermentioned Bank Notes viz:

John Parry	1. B. Note	£ 5. Deceptor ^l lost
Joseph Davenport	1 - 8 ^{rs}	5. Sinister 8 ^{rs} 8 ^{rs} .
William Bailey	2 - 8 ^{rs}	3. } mutilated &
James Fair	1 - 8 ^{rs}	1. } the 2 nd and dates
John Taylor	1 - 8 ^{rs}	1. } not ascertained

Payment Ordered.

Payment of the above was Ordered to the
parties respectively, subject to the approbation of
the Court of Directors.

Petition of Kezia
Francis.

On reading the Petition of Kezia Francis
Widow of Thomas Francis dec^d who was 37 Years
a Clerk in this House,

Ordered, That Mrs Francis be put on the List
of Widows, to receive an Annual Pension from the
Directors Charitable Fund. -

Mr Governor.
Mr Deputy Governor.
Sir Richard Meade.
Mr Raikes.
Mr Winthrop.
Mr Whitmore.

Wednesday 12th November 1806.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were
read.

Mr Governor.

The Committee examined Affidavits
regarding the following Bank Notes viz:

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affidavits examined. George Gerard. — 1 Bank Note — £5. depl. part lost.
 John Biggar — 1 — 5. 8⁰ — 8⁰.
 John Chaplin — 1 — 1.
 George Bowyer — 1 — 1. } mutilated, and
 James Redpath — 1 — 1. } the numbers and
 } Dates not ascertained.

Payment ordered. Payment of the above was Ordered to the parties, respectively, subject to the approbation of the Court of Directors.

Petition of Sarah Baillie. On reading the Petition of Sarah Baillie Widow of Brian Baillie decd. who was 43 Years in the service of the Bank; during 37 of which he was Head of the Cheque Office.

Ordered, That Sarah Baillie be put on the List of Widows, to receive an Annual Pension from the Directors Charitable Fund.

Petition of Cath^y Sharp. Widow. A Petition was read from Catherine Sharp. Widow of Richard Sharp decd. late a Clerk in this House: Stating, that she is left with an infant Daughter, in a very distressed situation; that she has nothing to receive from the Clerk's Widow's Fund, her husband not having contributed thereto, she prescribes time to be free of the Fund: She therefore prays for assistance, and that she may be put on the Directors Charitable Fund. On the above Case, Mr Dawes, the Chief Accountant stated to the Committee that Richard Sharp's Debts and Funeral Expenses, amounted to about £30: and that he had contributed £13.15.0 to the Clerk's Widow's Fund.

Resolution of the Committee thereon. Resolved, That, agreeably to a general determination of

of the Committee, on this Subject, she said £13-15-0 be granted to Mrs Sharp: and that £50, in addition thereto, be also allowed for her relief. Also, that she be permitted to receive an Annuity from the Director's charitable Fund.

Application of Mrs. Kennell, for relief. Mr Dawes presented a Letter, addressed to him by Thomas Kennell, a Clerk, in the Bank Stock Office: Stating, that he is under great pecuniary difficulties, by reason of the Sickness, which his family (a wife and 6 Children) have experienced, and from the loss of a situation, in which he had employed his time, when disengaged from the Duties of his Office. He therefore solicited the Loan of £100, to enable him to discharge his Debts, which, from necessity he has been obliged to contract.

The Governor's report thereon.

The Governor reported, on this Case, that he had made particular inquiry of the Chief Accountant, regarding the character and conduct of Mr Kennell; and he recommended the Committee to grant him the requested indulgence.

Resolved,

£100 advanced to T. Kennell.

That the Loan of £100 be granted to Thomas Kennell; to be paid by Quarterly Instalments of £5 each.

Mr Governor.
Mr Deputy Governor.
Mr Richd. Meade.
Mr Raikes
Mr Winstrop
Mr Whitmore.

Wednesday 19th November 1806.

The Minutes of the last Committee were read.

Affidavits of and

The Committee examined Affidavits regarding the undermentioned Bank Notes, viz:

John Harris on	3 Bank Notes £135.	Lost above 12 months.
Murray Oakes	1 do	1. } mutilated, & without R. & P. date.
Richard Dearden	1 do	1. }

Payment ordered.

Payment of the above was Ordered to the

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the parties respectively, subject to the approbation of the Court of Directors.

Petition of Mary Haseldine.

On the Petition of Mary Haseldine, Widow of Robert Haseldine Dec^d who had been a Clerk in this House, upwards of 19 Years. It was Agreed,

—Granted.

That Mary Haseldine be put on the List, to receive an Annuity from the Directors' charitable Fund.

Resignation of And^{ro} Halphide.

A Letter of resignation from And^{ro} Halphide a Clerk in this House, was read; and it was Agreed to refer the same to the Court of Directors.

Gratuities (annual) to the Supervisors.

A List of the Gratuities, annually given to the Supervisors of Transfers, in the Stock Offices being laid before the Committee, the same was given to the Secretary, to be presented to the Court.

A further application for the payment of Notes in a mutilated state.

Mr Hase acquainted the Committee, that Application had again been made to the Bank, for payment of the 7 Notes of £1 each in a mutilated state; as mentioned in a Minute of the 29th Ult^o.

—To be paid—

suitable recommendations given to the parties.

The Committee now consented thereto; but directed Mr Hase to recommend to the Parties, that in future, they neither mutilate the Notes of this House, nor receive them for payments, in such a state.

List of Clerks &c who took the Nightly Duty at the Bank—presented.

Mr Davies the Chief Accountant presented a List of the Clerks who had taken the Superintendence of the Bank, and of the Gate-Porters, Bullion Porters & Watchmen, who had done the Nightly Duty, on Account of the absence of the King's Guard, during the late Election of Members of Parliament, in the City of London. viz^t.

Clerks, who Superintended at the Bank, during the absence of the King's Guard.

Mr Browning	}	Octo 30 - and Nov. 4 th
Mr Shrubsole		
Mr West.	}	31 - - - - - 5 th
Mr Hase -		
Mr Bryer.	}	Nov - 1 - - - - - 6 th
Mr Rippon.		
Mr Bentley	}	2 nd - - - - - 7 th
Mr Towle.		
Mr Humble.	}	3 rd .
Mr Smith		

Gate Porters & others - &c.

Gate Porters	3.	} 9 nights each.
Dropengers	3.	
Bullion Porters	4.	
Watchmen	20.	

Ordered, That £64. 7. 0 be given to the Clerks, Gate Porters, and others, for the performance of the above mentioned Duty; to be distributed in the proportion of One Guinea, for each night to the said Clerks, five Shillings to the Head Gate Porter; four Shillings to each of the other Gate Porters, Dropengers & Bullion Porters, and three Shillings to each of the Watchmen.

Also. That £5 be given to Joseph Shackell, one of the Door Keepers, for accommodating the Chief Accountant with a Bed, Breakfast &c. during the continuance of the aforesaid Duty.

Mr Deputy Governor.
 Mr Pease.
 Mr Raikes
 Mr Thornton.
 Mr Winthrop.
 Mr Whitmore.

Wednesday 26th Novem. 1806.

Affidavits examined.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.
 An Affidavit regarding the following Bank Note was read viz^t

Jeffry Lomax - 1 B. Note - Lt. mutilated, & without n^o and date.

Payment Ordered.

Payment of the same was Ordered, subject to the approbation of the Court of Directors.

Letter from the Solicitor
of the Customs.

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A Letter was read from the Solicitor of the
Customs, requesting the names of certain Clerks in
this House, and also the necessary Documents, to prove
the payment of certain Sums to the late Bamber
Gascoigne Esq^r ^{when} Receiver General of the Customs; -
in a Suit now carrying on against the Executors
against the said late Receiver General.

Mr Kaye's Opinion
on taken thereon.

This Application being considered, and Mr
Kaye's Opinion being taken thereon, the Committee
gave the Chief Accountant directions to carry it
into effect.

Complaint against
Edward Mair - a Clerk.

The Chief Accountant Reported, that
Edward Mair a Clerk in the new specie, had been
detected in having made a false Posting in one
of the Bank Note Ledgers: an offence, for which
he was once suspended but has since been
restored to the Service.

Ordered,

Mair suspended.

That Edward Mair, be again sus-
pended.

Application of Will^m
Mumbray regarding
a Scrip Receipt.

An Application was read from Will^m
Mumbray, of Leather Lane Holborn - Stating,
that having paid, in full, the proportion of 2 1/2 per
Cent Reduced Annuity on £300 Quinians, and con-
ceiving that nothing more was necessary, in order
to its being placed to his Account, he had given the
Scrip Receipt to his wife, who had used it as waste
paper. He therefore prayed relief from the Bank.

On referring to the payment Book in the Cashiers
Office it appeared, that Will^m Mumbray, had paid
in full, on the above mentioned Scrip Receipt. It was

Answer of the
Committee thereon.

therefore Agreed,
That he should be furnished
with

with a Duplicate Scrip Receipt, in order to its being made stock, in the 3 per Cent. Reduced Annuities: provided he shall bring forward satisfactory security to indemnify the Bank, for the same.

Report of the Extra
Services of 5 Watch-
men.

Mr Davies brought forward the names of 5 Watchmen, who were not included in the list of those who attended at the Bank, during the City Election: but, on whom, extra duty had devolved for 9 nights, on account of the absence of the King's Guard. Ordered,

— Allowance for
the same.

That £5-12-6 be allowed the said 5. Watchmen - being at the rate of 2/- each, for 9 nights.

Letter from the Secy
to the British Museum

A Letter was read from Edw. Bray Esq Secretary to the British Museum, conveying the Thanks of the Trustees, to the Governor and Directors of the Bank, for their present of the Mosaic Pavement, which was found at the Bank.

Mr Governor.
Mr Deputy Governor.
Mr Rich^d. Meade.
Mr Raikes.
Mr Winthrop
Mr Whitmore.

Wednesday 3^d Decem^r 1806.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

Affidavits exam^d.

The Committee examined Affidavits regarding the following Bank Notes, viz.

Henry Harrison	6. B. Notes	£30.	Simister paid both.
John Hornblow	1 - do	5	Depter paid do.
Arthur Irvine	1 - do	10.	Mutilated
Thomas Moore	3 - do	3.	
William Bishop	1 - do	1	
William Oliver	1 - do	1	

} do. and the No^t.
of dates not
ascertained

Charles Moor — 1 B. note — £ 1 — mutilated, & the 2^d of
 John Radley — 1 do — 2 } & Date not ascertained.

Payment Ordered.

Payment of the foregoing notes, was ordered to the parties, respectively, Subject to the Approbation of the Court of Directors.

Application regard
 the redemption of the
 advances made by the
 Bank, on the Loan.

The Governor acquainted the Committee, that an application had been made to him by Messrs Goldsmid, Roberts and Sutton, on behalf of the Holders of Omnium — to request that the Redemption of the advances made by the Bank, on the Loan of the present Year, may be gradual, instead of the whole being effected on the 13th January next.

Resolved,

Recommendation

to the Court thereon.

That it be recommended to the Court, that the Re-payment of the sums which have been advanced by the Bank, on the Loan of the present Year, be made, as follows. viz^t.

£ 30 per Cent on Tuesday the 13th Jan^y 1807.

£ 30 " — on Tuesday — 27th do do.

£ 40 " — on Friday — 13th Feby^r do.

The Proprietors of the Receipts, making the payment of the Instalment of £ 5, to be made on the 16th Jan^y 1807.

Further Application
 from the Exors of Benjⁿ
 Love die regarding
 Transfers of Stock.

Mr Dawes, the Chief Accountant reported to the Committee, a further Application from three of the Executors of Benjⁿ Love die^r regarding certain Powers of Attorney submitted to the Committee on the 29th Octo^r last. And that the ^{said} Executors now offer to give such an Indemnity, as the Bank shall require, for being permitted to act under the Powers above referred to, without Mr Shore being present.

Directions given to
 the Accountant thereon.

The Committee therefore directed Mr Dawes to

to have an Indemnity prepared by Mr Kaye; and when it shall be executed, to permit the Executors to act on the Powers of Attorney.

Wednesday 10th December 1806.

the Governor.
the Deputy Governor &
a full Committee.
Minutes read.
Affidavits examined.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

The Committee examined Affidavits regarding the following Bank Post Bill and Bank Notes. viz:

Benj th Saltathwaite 1 B. Post Bill — £20.	} Lost, above 12 months ago.
Francis Baring Esq. 1 B. Note — 20	
William Seabrook 2 Do — 20	
Thomas Hencock 2 Do — 2	} mutilated, & the numbers & Dates not ascertained.
David Cook — 3 Do — 3	
James Adamson 1 Do — 1	
Edward Corbett — 1 Do — 1	
Henry Stevens — 1 Do — 1	
Benj th Wood — 1 Do — 1	
Lion Abraham — 1 Do — 1	

— Payment Ordered.

Payment of the above was Ordered to the Parties respectively; subject to the approbation of the Court of Directors.

Petition of Ch Clarke
on au^t of his House
having been robbed.

A Petition was read from Charles Clarke, of the Bank Note Office — Stating that on Saturday night last, his House was broke open and robbed of Furniture, Clothes &c to the amount of £70 and upwards, whereby he is greatly distressed, having a Wife and 3 Children, and no other means of support, than those which he derives from his situation in the Bank.

— Report of Mr
Hase thereon.

The Committee having received a satisfactory Account from Mr Hase, of Mr Clarke's character and

and conduct, It was

Resolved.

£50. granted for Mr
Clarke's relief.

That in consideration of Charles Clarke's good
character and conduct, and of his having an increasing
family, £50. be granted for his relief.

Bank notes lost to
the Bank in a mutilated
state.

Mr Hase brought 3 Bank notes (1 of £50. and 2 of
£25. to the Committee and reported that they were paid
into the Bank by Messrs. Newnham & Co. but that being
afterwards perceived to be considerably mutilated round
their respective edges, Messrs. N. & Co. had been requested
to take them back and to send other notes in lieu thereof:
which they had declined to do.

— Messrs. Newnham
& Co. to be conversed with
thereon.

The Committee therefore agreed, that one of the
Partners in Messrs. Newnham & Co's house be requested
to call on the Governor and Deputy Governor, tomorrow
at 2 o'clock.

A Bank note taken
at Messrs. Weston & Co. in
a mutilated state.

Mr Hase also presented a note of £5 taken
at Messrs. Weston & Co. by one of the Out-tellers, in a
mutilated state, the Cashier's name being quite
torn off. Mr Hase was directed to return this note
and to request another in lieu thereof. And to inform
Messrs. Weston & Co. that at a future time, the muni-
cated notes will be considered by the Committee, as
a special case.

— Another note to
be requested in lieu
thereof. &c. —

Report of the Chief
Accountant —

On the representation of Mr. Davies, the
Chief Accountant, and with the sanction of the
appropriate Committee of Inspection: It was
Resolved,

— Geo. Thorer to
be a signer of Div.
Warrants.

That George Thorer be recommended to
the Court, to be appointed a signer of Dividend
Warrants, in the room of John Hathaway, who
has been removed to the Court of S. S.

The

The Governor's Report, on the under-
business.

The Governor and Deputy Governor reported, to the Committee, that the following Answer had been received, to the Letter which Mr Kaye had been desired to write, regarding the Proceeds of the Ship Penman and her Cargo, lodged at this House. viz.

To the Honorable the Governor and Directors
of the Bank of England.

Letter from the
Proctors, regard the
Proceeds of the
Ship Penman and
Cargo.

Gentlemen.

We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your communication through Joseph Kaye Esq. your Solicitor, dated 27th Nov. 1806. respecting the Proceeds of the Ship Penman and Cargo, lodged in your hands: wherein Mr Kaye states "As it is presumed
"the Object of the Parties issuing and serving the
"Mortgage, is to render the Money productive pending
"the Appeal, I am authorised by the Governor and
"Directors of the Bank to say, that so far are they from
"wishing to deprive the Parties interested, of such
"advantage that, upon receiving a requisition for
"the purpose signed by the Proctors for all Parties,
"they will invest the Money in any of the Public
"Funds which may be pointed out, in the Names
"of the Governor, Deputy Governor, and two others of
"the Directors of the Bank, for the benefit, and at the
"risk of the Parties, to await the issue of the Appeal.
"In doing this, the Bank will be departing from the
"usual course of business, and subjecting its
"Officers to considerable trouble & inconvenience, and
"therefore what is offered in this case must not be
"considered as forming a Precedent for any other."

On behalf of our Principals, we beg to express our Thanks for the Offer, and to request that the Money may be invested, in Exchequer Bills, for the

the benefit, and at the risk of our Parties, to await the¹⁵
 issue of the Appeal; and we are willing that it shall not
 be considered as a Precedent, on your part.

We have the honor to be Gentlemen,

Your most obed^t humble Servants.

Doctor's Commons

5th Dec. 1806.

signed

Arch^d Bishop

King's Proctor

Townley and Sons

Proctors for Appellants

On which it was

Resolved,

Resolution, on the
 above Letter.

That a Letter be written to the Proctors
 above mentioned - Stating - That as it respects the
 Proceeds of the Ship *Perrenan* and Cargo, the Governor
 and Directors can only act in the way that has been
 proposed in Mr Kaye's Letter - namely - "that upon
 "receiving a requisition for the purpose, signed by the
 "Proctors for all parties, they will invest the Money
 "in any of the Public Funds which may be pointed
 "out, in the names of the Governor, Deputy Governor, &
 "two others of the Directors of the Bank, for the benefit
 "and at the risk of the Parties, to await the issue of the
 "Appeal."

Wednesday 17th December 1806.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

The Committee examined Affidavits regarding
 Affidavits Bank^d the following Bank Post Bill and Bank Notes. viz.

Lord Derby	1 B. Post Bill	£100.	Lost above 12 months
Joseph Simpson	1 B. note	5.	partly burnt
Samuel Paoott	1 - do	2	
Sarah Reynolds	1 - do	1	} mutilated and the R ^d and Dates not ascertained.
Francis Chatieff	1 - do	1	
William Deamiss	1 - do	1	

The

Mr Governor.
 Mr Deputy Governor.
 Mr R. Deane.
 Mr Raikes
 Mr Windthrop &
 Mr Whitmore.

Payment ordered.

The Committee Ordered payment of the said Bank Post Bill and Bank Notes, to the Parties respectively, subject to the approbation of the Court of Directors.

Report of a conference with Mr Everett.

The Governor and Deputy Governor reported, that in consequence of a Minute of the last Committee, they had conversed with Mr Everett, one of the Partners in the House of Messrs. Newnham & Co. and that he had expressed his concern, that any message of a rude and an unsuitable nature, had been sent to the Bank, respecting the mutilated Notes: And had also assured the Governors, that the said Message had been sent by one of the Clerks, without the knowledge of either of the Partners, and that they would give notice to their Correspondents, not to take such mutilated Notes, in future.

Two Bank notes of £1. La. fraudulently altered, to the Committee; which, by having had the words altered.

Mr Hase presented two Bank Notes of £1. La. fraudulently altered, to the Committee; which, by having had the words One Pound taken off, and the words Five pounds (from a genuine Note) affixed, appear like Notes of £5. and, as such, have been brought to the Bank, for payment by Messrs. Forster & Co.

Three Bank Notes mutilated.

Mr Hase also presented 3 Notes, of £5 La. so mutilated, as that the Countersigners Name, on each of them, has been cut off. On which the Committee Agreed.

Resolution of the Committee thereon.

That Payment of the first mentioned Notes, which appear to have been fraudulently altered, be absolutely refused. And that payment of the 3 last mentioned Notes of £5 La. be suspended, 'till Mr Kay shall be consulted thereon. Mr Kay also to be consulted, on the propriety of the Bank's detaining the £1. Notes, which have been fraudulently altered.

Application Messrs. Tunn and Bonham attended the Committee, and requested an accommodation to the

Application for a
Loan of £150,000, for
the House of Thomas
Cole and Sons.

the amount of £150,000, from the Bank, for the House of
Thomas Cole and Sons. It was represented to the Committee,
that the friends of the said House, had Agreed to advance
the sum of £125,000 in money, and also to give ample
Security for the £150,000 which was requested from the
Bank. The names proposed, as Securities for the said
advance from the Bank, were the following, viz.

Names pro-
posed as Securities.

John Furrow	£10,000
Ans ^d . Preschell	10,000
J. P. Gaubuz	10,000
T. de Taslet	10,000
Ja ^s . Bourdieu & Sons	10,000
Robert Pulsford	10,000
Rainbridge Ansley & Co	10,000
Robert Wylie	10,000
J. R. Ripley	10,000
William Scott Esq	10,000
John Craven	10,000
Cooper & Sons	10,000
James Brymer	10,000
Leslie Esq	10,000
Thomas Coles	10,000
	£150,000.

Recommendation
to the Court of Directors.

The Committee having fully considered this application,
it was Resolved,

That it be recommended to the Court
of Directors to advance the sum of £150,000, for the
accommodation of Mess^{rs}. Cole and Sons.

Commence to meet on
Tuesday 4th Branch
to attend.

Resolved,
That this Committee meet on Tuesday
next, instead of Wednesday; and that the Secretary
request Mr Bramah to attend.

Mr Governor.
Mr Deputy Governor
Mr Barker.
Mr Winthrop &
Mr Whitmore.

Tuesday 23^d December 1806

Minutes read.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

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Affidavits examd.

The Committee examined Affidavits, regarding the undermentioned Bank Notes, viz^t.

Jane Leech — 1. B. Note — £10. Lost above 12 months ago.
Thomas Levill — 1. Do — 2. Mutilated & the No. not ascertained.

Payment Ordered.

Payment of the above was Ordered to the Parties respectively, subject to the approbation of the Court of Directors.

In Kaye's opinion regard^d altered and mutilated B. Notes.

The Deputy Governor Reported, that Mr Kaye had been consulted on a Minute of the last Committee, and had given his Opinion — That the two Bank Notes of £1 each, which have been fraudulently altered to appear as Notes of £5 each, should be detained by the Bank; and that the 3 Notes of £5 each, from which the Countersigners name has been cut off, are yet, valid Notes; and should therefore be paid by the Bank.

Petition of Sarah Parry.

On reading the Petition of Sarah Parry, Widow of Charles Parry dec^d who had been about 5 Years a Clerk in the Bank. — It was

Ordered,

£100 granted to her.

That, in consideration of the good character, which Mr Hase has given of the deceased; of his Widow being left with 4 Children, in distressed Circumstances, and of her not being entitled to any benefit, from either of the Widows Funds — the Sum of £100. be granted for the relief of Mrs Parry and her Children.

Accounts of the Director's Charitable Fund — stated.

Mr Hase laid before the Committee, a Statement of the Accounts of the Director's Charitable Fund; On which it was

Resolved,

Pensions of the Widows to be increased.

That the Pension to each Widow, from the said Fund, be increased one fourth part, on the amount paid to each Widow, at last Christmas.

Mr

Bank Note of the supposed
have been fraudulently of Lt. printed from a Plate of 1807: and filled up, with a
taken from that Bank. Number and Date, but not signed: it was presented for
payment by Mr. Mainwaring & Co.

— To be paid and traced.
Resolved, That under all the circumstances of this
Case, the said Note be paid; but that measures be taken
to trace it, and to ascertain the means by which it
has been fraudulently taken from the Bank, and filled
up, with a number and date.

Mr Bramah attended
the Committee.

Mr Bramah attended, by appointment,
and acquainted the Committee that his Machine for
printing the Numbers and Dates on Bank Notes, will
be completed in about a fortnight. On which, he was
desired to bring the said Machine to the Bank, when
completed, in order that a trial may be made of its
operations for the intended purposes.

Over-payment from
the Drawing Account
of Mr Deacon.

Mr Hase reported, that an over payment
of £1069¹¹ 6 had been made from the Drawing Account
of James Deacon, and that the Draft for the same
had been passed by James Holgate, a Clerk in the
Drawing Office. That on application being made
to Mr Deacon, he had immediately made good the said
over payment, and had stated, that he had drawn to
that amount, from a supposition that a Note of £1100.
sent to the Bank by him, had been discounted; as it
had not been returned to him, from the Discount Office.

— Mr Cuell's
statement thereon.

Mr Cuell informed the Committee, that in the
hurry of business, he had omitted to return the said
Note to Mr Deacon: And Mr Holgate was admonished
by the Governor, to be more careful in performing his
duty, in future.

In addition to the above, the Deputy Governor
stated

30. The Deputy Governor stated, that when this business was first mentioned to him, report, of a note being discounted for Mr Deacon, he had thought it expedient to authorize the discounting of the note, for Mr Deacon; which the Committee fully approved.

Petition of William Smith Bull: Porter.

On a Petition being read from Wm Smith, one of the Bullion Porters, stating that on account of Illness, he has had the following sums to pay, viz
 For a Substitute - - - - - £ 4. 7. 0
 For his Apothecary's Bill - - - - - 4. 7. 6
 For a Journey into the Country - - - - - 4. 0. 0
 £ 12. 14. 6

— A sum granted Ordered, That Eight pounds fourteen shillings for his relief. and six pence, the amount of the two first articles in the above account, be paid by the Bank.

A Gratuity recommended to be given to Wheeler Tomkins.

A Minute from the Committee of Inspection for the Printing Office &c. was read; recommending that an Annual Gratuity of £50 be given to Wheeler Tomkins, to make his situation in the Library equal, in advantage, with that of the Clerks employed in the L³ per Ct Court. Office.

to Governor.
 to Deputy Governor
 to Bailiff,
 to Thouton,
 to Wintrop &
 to Whitmore.

Wednesday 31st December 1806.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

The Committee examined Affidavits, regarding

— Affidavits of and. the undermentioned Bank Post Bills & Bank Notes.

Walter Cary Williams	5 B. Post Bills	£100.	Lost above 12 months.
Mary Darcy	1 do	10	
James Kaye	1 Bank Note	1.	Instituted & the 2 nd & 3 rd Dates not ascertained
John Clarkson	1 do	1	
John Bradley	1 do	1	
John Sewell	3 do	3	

Payments

Payment Ordered.

Payment of the foregoing, was Ordered to the Parties respectively, subject to the approbation of the Court.

Examination of Officers and Heads of Offices.

The Committee conversed with Mr Best, Mr Newland, and Mr Dawes, regarding the business of their respective Offices, and the conduct of their Assistants; and also examined the undermentioned Heads of Offices, respecting the conduct of the Clerks and the execution of the business, during the present quarter vizt

- Mr Collins ——— Head of the Cashiers in the Hall and Treasury.
- Mr Humble ——— Head of the Bullion Office.
- Mr Gillingham ——— Dr of the Exchequer.
- Mr Holland ——— Storekeeper.

Accounts of Attendances examined.

The several Accounts of Attendances were also examined, and occasional Absences, having been satisfactorily accounted for, the Committee remitted, in every case, the forfeiture of Salary.

Payment Ordered.

Payment of the morning allowance money, was also Ordered; and the respective proportions to Mr Smart, Head of the Clerks in the Cashier's Office, and to Mr Watts — Clerk in the Secretary's Office, ordered to be doubled.

Proportions to be doubled.

Resolved, That a Report, conformable with the above examinations and Proceedings, be made to the Court of Directors.

Report to be made to the Court.

Bank Note of £2 - in mutilated state.

Mr Hare presented to the Committee, a Bank Note of £2, from which the Cashier's and Counter signer's Name, have been cut off: it was brought for payment by Messrs Newnham & Co.

An indemnity to be required thereon.

Ordered, That an Indemnity be required of the Parties who have brought the said Note, before payment be made by the Bank.

On

On considering a Minute of the 16th of July last,

It was Agreed,

a Clause to authenticate
certain Exchequer Bills, to
be inserted in the Bill to the Treasury, for the purpose of having the Clause
Act.

That the Governor be requested to apply
for authenticating certain Exchequer Bills, inserted
in the Bank Act of the present Year. —

to the Governor.
to the Deputy Governor.
to Mr. Raikes.
to Mr. Thornton.
to Mr. Wintthrop.

Wednesday 7th January 1807.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

Affidavits read.

The Committee examined Affidavits regarding
the following Bank Notes and Post Bills, viz^t.

Stephen Holloway	1 B. Post Bill	£10	} partly destroyed
	2 B. Notes	30	
Thomas Bryon	1 — Dr	20	Uninterrupted lost
Sarah Friend	1 — Dr	10	Post & Dr.
J. T. Swainson	1 — Dr	5	Lost at Sea.
William Dand	1 — Dr	1	Mutilated, & the No ^s & Dates not
John Linn	1 — Dr	1	ascertained.

Payment Ord^d.

Payment of the above was Ordered to the
respective Parties, subject to the approbation of the
Court of Directors.

Petition of Sarah
Cazaly.

On reading the Petition of Sarah Cazaly
Widow of Peter Cazaly dec^d. who had been about 9
Years in the Service of the Bank.

Ordered.

Resolution of the
Committee thereon.

That in consideration of Mrs. Cazaly's
having been left, in distressed Circumstances, with
7 Children. One hundred pounds be granted for her
benefit, and for the support of her Children: and also
£15 in addition thereto, to make good the Sum which
Mr. Cazaly had subscribed to the Clerk's Widows Fund.

The

Further aid to
Mrs. Cazaly.

The Committee also Agreed, to pay the expence of her
Administ'ing to the amount of the Salary which is due to
Mrs. Cazaly, from the Bank; in order that she may be intitled
to receive the same.

Application from
Joshua Hutchinson, on
the loss of Omnium.

An Application, together with a Memorial,
was read from Joshua Hutchinson, Stating - That he
had lost £3000 Omnium, on the 20th of August last,
tho' the means of a person for whom he had purcha-
sed it; who, Mr. Hutchinson believes, has destroyed
it, to prevent an exposure of certain circumstances
connected with this Transaction. Mr. Hutchinson
therefore requested, that he may be allowed to pay
on the said Omnium, in full, from August last, &
that the amount may then be written in, as Stock
to his Account; on his giving the Bank, Security,
against any other claim.

Mr. Hase re-
ports thereon.

Mr. Hase reported, that £3000, and £500
Omnium, are outstanding, from the Payment in
August last. It was therefore

Resolution of the
Committee, on Mr. Hut-
chinson's Application.

Resolved, That on Mr. Hutchinson's making
the further payments on the said £3000 Omnium,
and giving such Security as the Governor & Deputy
Governor shall judge to be satisfactory - he be
furnished with Duplicate Receipts, in order that
the Amount of Stock may be placed to his Account,
in the Transfer Office.

Altered Note of
£5 - shewn to the
Committee.

Mr. Hase shewed to the Committee a Bank
Note of £5, from which, the word Rise, on the sinister
part, had been cut off, and a Countersigner's Name
from another Note (supposed of £1) had been super-
added. Mr. Hase stated, that the said Note came from
the House of Messrs. Forster & Co; as did also, the two Notes
of £1 each, which were fraudulently altered, so as
to

to appear to be notes of £10. [See Page 76] and he understood that all the said notes had been transmitted from one of the Bank's at Plymouth.

Mr Foster requested to have the said note &

Mr Foster then attended the Committee; the three notes were delivered to him, and he was requested to write a private letter to Plymouth, for the purpose of tracing the notes to the Party, who had fraudulently altered them.

Mr Governor.
Mr Deputy Governor.
Mr Raikes
Mr Winthrop &
Mr Whitmore.

Wednesday 14th January 1807.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read.

Affidavits exam^d.

The Committee examined Affidavits regarding the unmentioned Bank notes, viz^t
Edward Baldock — 4 B. notes — £24. Decept^{ly} took
Joseph Warrill — 1 do — 1. } mutilated & the
Jonathⁿ Wenlock — 1 do — 1. } not Dates not
Fred^k Hagg — 1 do — 1 } ascertained.

Payment Orders.

Payment of the above was ordered to the Parties respectively, subject to the approbation of the Court.

Securities proposed by Mr Hutchinson.

Mr Hutchinson having proposed the following securities for the £3000 Quiniam, mentioned in a minute of the last Committee viz^t

George Bainbridge of Broad St. Merchant &
Joseph Smith — of Broad St. Banker, The

Accepted by the Committee.

Committee agreed to accept the same, and directed that the Bond be drawn up, by Mess^{rs} Winter & Kay.

Mutilated note of £5 shewn to Committee.

A Bank note of £5. mutilated, but sufficiently perfect to be posted, was shewn to the Committee by Mr Hase. And it was agreed, that the said note be paid.

The

Clause, to authenticate certain Excheq^r. Bills, received from Mr Dorrington. a Copy of the Clause inserted sent by Mr Dorrington.

- Rejected by the House of Lords.

- Nothing further to be done, in this business.

The Governor acquainted the Committee, that he had in the Malt Act of the present Session, for removing Doubts respecting the signing of certain Exchequer Bills - but that the Act had not passed the House of Lords, on account of the said Clause being attached to it. It was therefore Agreed. That as the Exchequer Bills under the Personal Estate Act, have already been exchanged, and as those held by the Bank under the Malt Act, will soon be exchanged also - Nothing further be done in this business.

Letter from Lord Grenville - requesting the Bank to purchase passing the Annual Land and Malt Tax Bills, and on Exch^r. Bills.

A Letter from Lord Grenville was read, stating, that an accidental delay had taken place in this account requesting, that for the accommodation of the public Service, the Bank will consent to purchase Exchequer Bills to be made out in pursuance of an Act for raising the sum of £10,500,000, which is expected to be shortly passed into a law, - for such sums, as may be required, not exceeding two millions.

- To be recommended to the Court.

The Committee Agreed to lay the said Letter before the Court of Directors, and to recommend, that Lord Grenville's request be complied with.

Application from Mr Ruddick, of the Ord^r. Office, having applied for an attested Copy of two Powers of Attorney from the late Treasurers of the Ordnance, authorising him to draw Cash from the Account of the said late Treasurers, at the Bank

Mr W. B. Ruddick, of the Ordnance Treasury, having applied for an attested Copy of two Powers of Attorney from the late Treasurers of the Ordnance, authorising him to draw Cash from the Account of the said late Treasurers, at the Bank

- Answer of the Committee.

The Committee Agreed to permit a Notary to take the required Copies, accordingly.

Wednesday

Mr. Dy. Governor
 Mr. Rinkes
 Mr. Wintthrop &
 Mr. Whitmore.

Wednesday 21st January 1807.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

Affidavits exam^d.

The Committee examined Affidavits, re-
 garding the undermentioned Bank notes viz^t
 George Shee — 1 B. note — £ 200. } Lost above 12
 Alfred Porter — 1 do — 5 } months.
 Joseph Bates — 1 do — 40. } Depts parts
 An^d W^m. Towne — 2 do — 10 } lost.
 Edward Jones — 1 do — 10 part burnt
 Rob^t Pybus — 1 do — 1. } mutilated & the
 Dennis Tanner — 1 do — 1 } No^t Dates not
 ascertained.

— Payment Or-
 dered.

Payment of the above was Ordered to the
 parties, respectively. Subject to the approbation of
 the Court of Directors.

Application, regard^d
 a Bank Post Bill.

A Bank Post Bill of £ 25. payable to
 Mary Lewis, or Order, was shewn to the Committee. It
 appeared to be indorsed by Henry Lewis, for Mary Lewis,
 who is stated to have been his wife, and to have died,
 without having indorsed the said Bill. The Committee
 Agreed,

— Answer of the
 Committee thereto.

That on an Affidavit being made by
 Henry Lewis, and attested on Oath before a Magistrate,
 — stating, that he was really the Husband of the said
 Mary Lewis, and mentioning the reasons of the
 Post Bill having been taken out, in her name; — and
 on security being given, to indemnify the Bank: —
 the said Bill shall be paid.

The mutilated note
 of £ 5 returned by Mr
 Forster.

Mr Forster having returned the Note
 of £ 5, from which, the word Five, on the sinister part,
 had been cut out, as mentioned in a Minute of the

— Mr Kaye's Opinion

7th Inst^t — It was Agreed, that Mr Kaye be consulted, on
 to be taken thereon. the propriety of the Bank's paying the same.

Mr

Mr Foster, not able
to trace the mutilated
note.

Mr Kaye reported, that Mr Foster had not been
able, by his correspondence with the Bank, at Plymouth,
to trace either the above note, or the two notes of £1 each,
which have been fraudulently altered.

Mr Governor
Mr Deputy Governor,
a full Council.

Wednesday 28th January 1807.

Minutes read.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were
read.

Affidavits Exam^d.

The Committee examined Affidavits
regarding the following Bank Notes: viz:
Rev^d William Edwards. 1 B. note £ 20. Lost above 12 months }
Thomas Miller — 1 — do — 10 part destroyed
Thomas Cook — 1 — do — 10 dest in part lost
Thomas Parsons — 1 — do — 5 sinister part do.
Richard Slapsell — 1 — do — 1 mutilated, & the
Thomas Edwards — 1 — do — 1 { 4th and dates not
ascertained.

--- Payment ord^d.

Payment of the above was Ordered to the
parties, respectively, subject to the approbation of the
Court of Directors. —

Mr Kaye's Opinion
on a Mutilated Note.

The Deputy Governor Reported, that Mr Kaye
was of opinion that payment of the Note of £5, menti-
oned in a Minute of the last Committee, might be
enforced on the Bank. It was, however, Agreed,
that payment of the said Note be delayed, until
further endeavors have been used to trace it, together
with the two notes of £1 each, which have been frau-
dulently altered.

--- Payment of
the same to be de-
layed.

Application on be-
half of Coleman St. Ward School.

An Application was received from the
Rev^d John Swigg, Stating, that the Charity School of
Coleman Street Ward, has sustained a loss of Subscriptions
Donations and Legacies, on account of the number
of Houses which have been taken down to enlarge the

the Bank; and that the Funds of the said School, are in a low state. Assistance from the Bank, was therefore solicited.

Ordered. That a Donation of Twenty Guineas, be granted to the said School; and that the Annual Subscription from the Bank, thereto, be increased, from Five, to Ten Guineas; to commence, on the payment due at Christmas last.

Mary Smith, late Mould-maker Sec^y.

Mr Thornton acquainted the Committee, that Mary Smith, who was formerly Mould-maker to the Bank, and to whom the Committee granted a Pension of £20 per Ann^{um} in January 1805: Died in August last. It was therefore Agreed, That her Pension be paid to her Son and Daughter up to 31st December last, and from thence forth cease.

Scheme for shutting up Bank Stock &c presented.

Mr Dawes, the Chief Accountant, presented a Scheme, for shutting and re-opening Bank Stock, for the ensuing Dividend; also, for holding the General Court, for declaring the said Dividend, and for the ensuing Annual Election of the Governors and the Directors, of this House. The Committee filled up the respective dates, and it was Agreed to lay the Paper before the Court, tomorrow.

To be laid before the Court.

£400 presented to the Chief Accountant to furnish his House.

The Governor and Deputy Governor reported to the Committee - that it having been customary to present a Sum to the Chief Accountant, on his being appointed to that Office, to assist in furnishing his House, at the Bank; - £400 had been granted to Mr Dawes, the present Chief Accountant, for that purpose. The Committee approved of the same.

Mr Governor
Mr Depy Governor.
Mr Richd Beane
Mr Raikes
Mr Winstrop
Mr Whitmore.

Affidavits examd.

Wednesday 4th Feb. 1807.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

The Committee examined Affidavits regard-
ing the following Bank Notes &c. —

William Roberts on 2 B. Notes —	£50. sinister parts lost.
James Robe — 1 — do —	20 Dexter part 8 ^o
Alex ^r H. Sidelokhou, 2 — do —	11. part burnt.
Thomas Turner — 1 — do —	1.
James Thompson — 1 — do —	1.
Robert Kirby — 1 — do —	1.
James Anney — 1 — do —	1.
Thomas Lynes — 1 — do —	1.
Thomas Remington 1 — do —	1.
Henry Lewis — 1 Bank Post Bill £25. not indorsed	correctly & not cash.

Payment ord^d.

Payment of the above was Ordered to the
parties, respectively, subject to the approbation of
the Court of Directors.

Petition of Mary
Ann Rudall.

On reading a Petition from Mary Ann
Rudall, widow of Harry Rudall dec^d, who had been
a Clerk in this House about 5 Years.

Ordered,

Relief granted
to her. —

That in consideration of Mrs Rudall's
having been left in distressed Circumstances, with
5 Children, One hundred pounds be granted for
her benefit, and for the support of her Children: and
also Five Guineas in addition thereto, to make good
the Subscription which the said Harry Rudall, had
paid, to the Clerk's Widow's Fund.

Application on behalf
of the Porters, in the Com-
m^ods & to pay 0^{rs} —

A representation from the Heads of the
Exchequer, Annuities, and the 45 per Ct Navy Annui-
ties, regarding the Extra Hours which the Porters
in

in those Transfer Offices had been detained, during the last shutting of the said Annuities - was referred to the Committee of Inspection for the Stock Offices -

the Governor
the Dep. Governor
No full Committee.

Wednesday 11th Feb^y 1807.

Minutes read.

read.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were

The Committee examined Affidavits regarding the following Bank Notes. viz^t

James Elliott	1 Bank Note	£30	part destroyed.
Jam ^s Bailey	1 do	10	Lost above 12 Mo.
Methach Izard	1 do	2	} mutilated, & the numbers & Dates not ascertained.
John Cubitt	1 do	2	
John Boardman	1 do	1	
Mary Head	1 do	1	

Payment ordered.

Payment of the above was Ordered to the parties, respectively, subject to the approbation of the Court of Directors.

Resignation of Edw.
Jones.

A Letter of Resignation was read, from Edward Jones of the Accountants Office; and it was Agreed, to lay the same, before the Court.

Application of Mess^{rs}
Heywood & Co^{rs} regarding
a Bill.

A Letter was read from Mess^{rs} Haywood Jones and Company at Liverpool, regarding a Bill of £236-16-0 on which they were Endorsers. It appeared that one of the Clerks of this House, had taken a Cheque for the amount of the said Bill, from the Acceptors, the payment of which Cheque was refused, and the Bill could not be got back again. Mess^{rs} Haywood & Co^{rs} stated, that they had since paid the amount of the Bill, to the Bank, but on application to their Endorsers, they

they refuse to refund the Money, unless the unpaid Bill can be produced. Mess^{rs}. Haywood & Co^{rs} therefore appealed to the equity of the Bank, that the amount of the Bill be repaid to them; the loss having been occasioned by the Clerk of this House leaving the Bill without obtaining value for the same.

Ordered,

reference to Mr Kaye.

That Mess^{rs}. Haywood & Co^{rs} Letter be referred to Mr Kaye, in order that he may state to the Committee whether any legal decisions have been made, on Cases similar to that, which is the Subject of the said Letter.

Mr Governor
Mr Dep^y Governor
A full Committee.

Tuesday 17th February 1807.

Minutes read. -

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

Affidavits examined?

The Committee examined Affidavits regarding the undermentioned Bank Notes, viz^t

Matthew West	1 B. Note	£1.	} mutilated & the W th & Dates not ascertained.
Henry Slack	1 do	1.	
Benjamin Hill	1 do	1.	

Payment ord^d?

Payment of the above was Ordered to the Parties respectively, Subject to the approbation of the Court.

Mr Vansittart sends
an Advertisement of
Scheme of the Lottery.

A Letter from Mr Vansittart to the Governor was read, inclosing a Draft of an Advertisement of the Scheme, Days of Drawing and Times of payment of the Lottery for the Year 1806. The Advertisement included a Notice "that Tickets are ready to be delivered in the usual manner to the Public, at the Bank, in Lots of not less than 5. Tickets. And that a Draw back of 10 Shillings would be paid at the Bank, for every Ticket sold

sold in shares or in a chance."

On which the Committee

Resolved,
 Resolution of the
 Committee thereon.

That upon considering the above men-
tioned Advertisement and Scheme of the Lottery, it does
not appear that the Bank can carry it into execution,
in the manner therein proposed.

The following Letter from Mr Dorington
was read.

To Samuel Thornton Esq.

Letter from Mr
Dorington.

Sir.

House of Commons 16 Feb. 1807.

As you was Governor of the Bank
some Years ago, when an Annual Allowance of 20 ^ls.
was first made to me for attending to the Concerns
of the Bank and apprizing them of any Bill in which
their Interests were affected, I trust you will not deem
me intrusive if I request the favour of your advice &
assistance to enable me to procure an Augmentation
to the allowance on account of the great increase of
public business since that Period. I must beg to ob-
serve, that I transact the same Business for the East
India Company, from whom I receive an Annual
Allowance of 50 ^ls. I have the honour to be Sir

Yours truly
I Dorington.

On which, it was

Resolved,

Resolution, on Mr
Dorington's applica-
tion.

That as the Committee had determined
Dorington's Application the 16 July last, that the Gratuity to Mr Dorington
should cease, at the conclusion of the present Session
of Parliament, Twenty Guineas, be now sent to him,
instead of delaying it till that period. And that Mr
Dorington be informed, that Arrangements have been made
by

by the Bank, which will make it unnecessary to give him
any further trouble, on the business of this House. —

Thursday 19th Feb 1807.

the Governor, and
a full Committee.

The Governor's Report
of a conversation with
Lord Grenville regarding
the Lottery.

The Governor Reported to the Committee, that
he had, yesterday, been present at the Treasury, when the
3^d Lottery for 1806 was disposed of at £16. 10. 0 per Ticket.

Also, that he had communicated to Lord Grenville and
Lord Henry Petty, the Resolution of this Committee on the
Advertisement and Scheme of the Lottery which had been
sent to the Bank by Mr Vansittart. And had suggested
to their Lordships, that if, at any future time, Lottery
Tickets should be sold on account of Government,
(agreeably to the Advertisement above referred to) the sale
of them should be managed by the Commissioners of
the Lottery, and not by the Bank.

Letter from Lord
Grenville requesting
that Bank to purchase
Exch^d. Bills.

A Letter from Lord Grenville, dated 18 Feb 7.
addressed to the Governor and Deputy Governor, was read,
stating, "that it will be an accommodation to the
public service, if in addition to the advances the
Bank has Agreed to make upon the Annual Duties
of Great, Pensioners Officers &c, it will consent to make
such further purchases of Exchequer Bills to be
issued in pursuance of an Act of the last Session
of Parliament for raising £10,500,000, as will
complete the sum of Two Millions, applied for by
his Lordship's Letter of the 12th Jan^y last.

Resolved,

—An recommendation
of Lord Grenville, ap-
plication, to the Court

That it be recommended to the Court of
Directors to comply with the request of Lord Grenville,
mentioned in the above Letter.

Application from Messrs.
Donaldson & Thomson.

A Letter was read from Messrs Donaldson & Thomson, requesting the Bank to advance for their accommodation the sum of £30,000, by Bills to be obtained from 6 of their friends, on each other, for £5000 each. Bills to be discounted by the Bank, and understood to be renewable for 3 months.

Resolved,

— To be laid before
the Court &c.

That the above mentioned Letter be laid before the Court of Directors, with a recommendation from this Committee, that the accommodation requested therein be granted to Messrs Donaldson & Thomson.

Ordered,

Meeting of the Com-
mittee.

That this Committee meet on Tuesday next: Wednesday being appointed for the General Fast.

the Governor &
a full quorum.

Tuesday 24th Feb 1807.

Minutes read.

The Minutes of the two last Meetings of the Committee, were read.

Affidavits examined.

The Committee examined Affidavits

regarding the undermentioned Bank notes: viz^{to}

William Bignell	9 Bank Notes	£45. respective parts lost.
do	1 do	100 - Lost more than 12 months.
Elizabeth Hall	1 do	10 - Burnt
Fredk Booth	1 do	5 } Deft's parts
John Johnson	1 do	5 } Lost
Edward Sheppard	1 do	5 - Simister part lost
Jane Barnes	1 do	1 - mutilated & the date not ascert.
Robert Haukey	1 Div ^y warrant	£35-5-0. Lost

— Payment Ordered.

Payment of the above was Ordered to the parties respectively, subject to the approbation of

of the Court of Directors.

Amount of Pensions
for 3 Years. —

The Secretary presented the undermentio-
ned Accounts, which he had been directed to procure, for
the information of the Committee.

Amount of Pensions paid to
Superannuated Clerks, &c. — } 31 Dec^r 1804 — £ 4270-0-0

do ————— 31 Dec 1805 — 5080-0-0

do ————— 31 Dec 1806 — 4780-0-0.

Mr Governor, and
a full Committee.

Thursday 26th Feby 1807

A Letter from Mr French, addressed
to the Governor, was read - requesting that the Bank
would grant an Accommodation to the House of
French & Co. of £ 24,000, for 6 months; by discounting
Acceptances to that Amount.

Resolved,

That the above Letter be laid before the
Court, with a recommendation from this Committee
that the accommodation be granted.

Mr Governor, &
a full Committee.

Wednesday 4th March 1807.

Minutes read.

The Minutes of the two last Meetings
were read.

Affidavits examined.

The Committee examined Affidavits
regarding the following Bank Post Bill & Bank
Notes, vizt -

James Hewitt	1. Bank Post Bill £ 35.	Lost, & not indorsed.
William Peirce	1. Bank Note	25. Lost above 12 months.
Henry Brooksbank	75 - do	120 } Dexter parts
James Gordon	1 - do	15 } Lost.
Thomas Lee	1 - do	1 } mutilated & the no ^s & Dates not
Thomas Clops	1 - do	1 } ascertained Payment

Payment ordered.

Payment of the foregoing Notes was ordered to the Parties respectively, subject to the approbation of the Court of Directors.

Application from
Edw. Lampert, a
Clerk.

A Letter from Mr Edward Lampert, a Clerk in the Bank Note Office was read - Stating to the House, that his Constitution has suffered very much from the confinement he has experienced at the Bank, and that he apprehends, ~~as~~ continuance in his situation as a Clerk, would be fatal to him. He therefore expresses a wish to resign, and requests that in this case, a small Pension may be granted to him, in order that he may be eligible to continue his Subscription to the Clerk's Widow's Fund.

Deferred.

It was agreed, that the consideration of the above Letter be deferred, till the next meeting of the Committee.

Picking Bank
Notes, considered.

The Committee having taken into consideration, the practice of Picking Bank Notes, and being of opinion that it is not productive of any real utility: It was Resolved,

Proposed to be discontinued.

That it appears to this Committee that it will be proper to discontinue the practice of picking Bank Notes: and that this Resolution be communicated to the Committee of Inspection for the Printing

referred to the
Committee for the Print-
ing Office &c

Office &c - in order that this measure may be carried into execution if the said Committee shall have no objection thereto.

Mr Bramah attends
this machine tried.

Mr Bramah attended, with one of his machines for Printing the numbers and Dates on Bank Notes; and a trial of its operations was before the Committee. After which, a trifling alteration was suggested, in the position of the Pins, by

by which the notes are to be fixed to the machine. 97

Further directions &
proposals to Mr Bramah.

Mr Bramah was then desired to send his Son and
Printer to the Bank, on Monday next, in order that
two of the Clerks of this House may be instructed in
trying how many notes may be printed, in the course
of a day. And it was also suggested to Mr Bramah,
that when, by these means, the number of machines
that will be necessary for the Bank, shall be ascer-
tained - he should propose to the Committee, the
Terms on which he will supply them, with all
the Apparatus necessary thereto; and also keep
the machines which shall be supplied in constant
and complete repair.

The Governor and
Full Committee.

Wednesday 11th March 1807.

Minutes read.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

Affidavits examined?

The Committee examined Affidavits, regarding

the following Bank notes, viz^t:

Samuel Skinner.	4 Bank notes	£100	} Lost more than 12 months ago.
Luke Alder	1 do	15.	
Lewis de Fontaines	1 do	5. Burnt.	
Robert Trevenan	1 do	1.	Mutilated & no date.

--- Payment ord-
ered.

Payment of the above was Ordered to their
Parties respectively, subject to the approbation of the
Court of Directors.

Letter from Sir John
Newport regarding
a loan for Ireland.

A Letter from Sir John Newport, ad-
dressed to the Governor &c of the Bank, and dated the
10th Inst. was read - Stating, that it is intended to borrow
here, for the service of Ireland £1,500,000, and to create
for the same, a Stock, to bear Interest at £3½ per Cent.
The respective payments to be made to the Bank of
Ireland, but the Stock to be placed under the management
of

of the Bank of England, in like manner, as the Irish
 5 per cents and Annuities have been. And that it is
 intended, if agreeable to the Bank to undertake this bu-
 siness, to make this, a part of the conditions, with the
 Contractors for the Loan. On which it was
 Resolved,

— Answer to Sir John
 Newport's Letter.

That an answer be written to Sir John
 Newport, to acquaint him, that the Bank are wil-
 ling to comply with his Letter respecting the Loan for
 Ireland, upon the same terms as the Loans in the
 Years 1794 and 1795. Provided the Debentures or
 Certificates, when paid in full, are brought to the
 Bank, in order to be written into the Books of the
 Bank, in the Names of the several Proprietors.

Order from the Com-
 mittee of the House of
 Commons, on Public
 Offices.

Mr Hase brought to the Committee, an Order
 which had just been received from the Committee of
 the House of Commons on Public Offices &c. for an
 Account of the weekly balances of Cash at the Bank
 belonging to the different Departments of Government,
 including Balances of the Accountant General, &
 Dead Cash of the Court of Chancery. On which it was

— Mr Davies to at-
 tend the said Committee

Agreed. That it will be proper for Mr Davies, the
 Chief Accountant to attend the said Committee; to
 obtain information of the particular Accounts
 which it is wished should be included in the above
 Order.

Bank Notes bro't in
 a mutilated State.

Mr Hase produced several Bank Notes, in
 a mutilated State, brought for payment by Mess^{rs}
 Barclay & C^o. On which he was directed to ask for

— Directions from
 the Committee thereon.

information concerning the circumstances under
 which the said Notes became mutilated and, to
 delay payment of them, for the space of a
 Week.

The

A clause in Mr
Whitbread's Bill, con-
sidered.

(29)
The Governor Reported to the Committee a
Clause in Mr Whitbread's Bill now before Parliament
for the better maintenance and management of the
Poor, which respected Investments of Money to be
made in the Public Funds, and Transfers from the same
by any two or more of the Commissioners, who are to
be nominated to this Trust. And it was Agreed,

— Mr Kaye to be
consulted thereon.

That Mr Dawes should lay this matter before
Mr Kaye, for the purpose of his drawing up a Clause
for the management of this part of the above Con-
cern, in conformity with the accustomed mode of
transacting the Transfer but inst. by the Bank.

Edw. Lamperts ap-
plication reconsidered

The Committee re-considered Edward
Lamperts's Application—that he may be allowed a
Pension, if he shall resign his situation in this
House, in order that he may thereby continue his
connection with the Clerks' Widows Fund. And
it was judged not proper, to comply with Mr
Lamperts request.

— Not to be com-
plied with.

Mr Governor &
a full Committee.

Tuesday 17th March 1807.

Minutes read.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

Affidavits again?

The Committee examined Affidavits re-

garding the following Bank Notes. viz:

John White	1 Bank Note	£10. Lost above 12 mts.
J. C. Clark	3 do	8, respective parts lost.
Jacob Attias	3 do	6. Sixteen parts lost.
William Vicary	1 do	1. Mutilated with- out a number.

Payment Ordered.

Payment of the above was Ordered to the
Parties respectively, Subject to the approbation of
the Court of Directors.

The

Half Yearly Accounts
inspected.

The Chief Accountant presented the Half
Yearly Accounts, which were inspected by the Committee.

Application of Mr. J.
Gunningham, to resign
on a Pension.

A Letter was read from Mr. John Gunningham
Chief Clerk in the Exchequer Office, stating, that on
account of increasing illness, he finds himself incapable
of attending to the duties of his Station, and therefore
prays leave to resign, on such a Pension, as the Court
shall be pleased to allow him.

It appeared, that Mr. Gunningham has been
32 Years in the service of the Bank; that he has one
son, who is provided for, and four daughters who remain
in his family.

That his Salary is ————— £ 260 per Ann.
allowance instead of money — 40
Annual Gratuity ————— 230
£ 530

Resolved.

Resolution of
the Committee thereon.

That it be recommended to the Court
of Directors to accept of Mr. Gunningham's resignation
and that in consideration of his faithful services in
the Exchequer Office, and of his having four children
unprovided for, a Pension be allowed him, of £400
per Annum, during pleasure.

List of Clerks presented
in order to appoint, one
to the Exchequer Office.

Mr. Hase presented a list of Clerks, in
order that the Committee may select a suitable
person to be appointed 3^d Clerk in the Exchequer
Office. Thomas Glover was the first on the list; of
whom the Governor reported, that as he occupies a
very useful station, as one of the Investigators, he
had been conversed with, and had consented to con-
tinue therein.

Report of Mr. H.
George.

Of Mr. Henry Merrett George, a Clerk in the
Bank Note Office, Mr. Hase reported, — that he had
been

been about ten years in the Bank; has had a liberal education, and has always conducted himself with propriety and to the satisfaction of the principal of his Office. Mr George was then called in and he states, that he is a married man, but has no children; that he is a collector of the Tolls at Newgate-market, which occupies his time, from 6, till a little after 8 o'clock, every morning, and brings him a salary of 50 Guineas a year. And that he would quit this situation, if the Committee should appoint him to the Exchequer Office.

— Mr George called Office. Mr George was then called in and he states, in & conversed with.

— further consideration deferred.

The Committee deferred further consideration of this business, till Thursday morning.

Report, on a Minute of the last Committee.

The Governor reported upon a Minute of the last Committee - that Mr Dawes, the Chief Accountant, had not been sent to the Committee on Public Offices &c; but that a selection had been made of such Accounts, as were supposed to be applicable to the Order of the said Committee.

Mr Governor, & a full Committee.

Thursday 19th March 1807.

Resolved,

Report, on the State of the Bank's Accounts.

That this Committee having examined the state of the Bank's Accounts, are of opinion, that a Dividend may be made of Five pounds per Cent, Interest and profits, for the half year, ending the 5th April next. And that a Report be made to the Court, accordingly.

Proceedings deferred, regard the Exch. Office.

Further proceedings, regarding the Exchequer Office, were deferred till the next Committee.

Tuesday

the Governor, and
a full Committee.

Tuesday 21st March 1807.

Minutes read.

The Minutes of the two last Meetings

were read.

Affidavits examined.

The Committee examined Affidavits
regarding the undermentioned Bank notes, viz.
Jane Coffin — 1 Bank note — £10. mutilated
James Hamilton — 1 — do — 10. Simist left lost
James Pincott — 1 — do — 1. without a No
or date.

Payment ordered.

Payment of the above was ordered to the
Parties respectively, subject to the approbation of
the Court of Directors.

Inquiry regarding H. M.
George. not satisfactory.

The Governor reported, that further inquiry
had been made, respecting Henry Merritt George, the
result of which, was not satisfactory.

William Hall, John Lin-
coln & Geo. Woodley
called before the Com-
mittee.

William Hall, one of the Pay-Clerks, John
Lincoln of the Drawing Office for Public Accounts and
Thomas Woodley of the Land and Property Tax Office,
were called before the Committee; it having been
found, on inquiry, that their Characters were, severally
respectable: but William Hall being of the longest
standing in the House, It was

William Hall to be re-
commended to the Ex-
chequer Office.

Resolved, That he be recommended to the Court of
Directors as a suitable person to be appointed third
Clerk, in the Exchequer Office; and that his Salary be
advanced £20 per annum. It was also

Benjamin Madden, recom-
mended to be Chief Clerk
in the Exchequer Office.

Resolved, That it be recommended to the Court to
appoint Benjamin Madden, to be Chief Clerk in the
Exchequer Office, in the room of Mr. Gunningham who
has lately resigned; that his Salary be advanced £40 per
Annum, and that the Salary of Andrew Sloney,
now the 2^d Clerk in that Office, be advanced £30 per
Annum.

Letter of Thanks from
Mr Gunningham.

A Letter from Mr Gunningham, addressed to the Governor, was read, expressive of his satisfaction and gratitude, on account of the allowance which has been granted to him, on his having retired from the service of the Bank.

Bill of Exchange, with
forged Acceptance.

Mr Hase produced a Bill of Exchange for £50, drawn on Messrs. Carr Glynn & Co. and discounted at the Bank by Venning and Gibson; the acceptance of which has been found to have been forged.

Directions of
the Committee thereon.

The Committee agreed to permit Messrs. Glynn & Co. to write forged Acceptance, on the said Bill; and that afterward, it be returned to Messrs. Venning and Gibson, on their paying the amount thereof, to the Bank.

Letter from John
Tanner of the Stock
Exchange.

A Letter was read from Mr John Tanner of the Stock Exchange, requesting permission to examine certain Bank notes which have been paid into the Bank; for the purpose of discovering a supposed fraud on the Stock Exchange. On which,

The Secretary to
answer it.

The Secretary was directed to acquaint Mr Tanner, that under the general statement of Circumstances mentioned in his Letter, the Committee decline to comply with his request.

Annual rise of Sa-
laries & Gratuities
settled.

The Committee then went through and adjusted Mr Newland's List of Clerks, with regard to ^{the} rise of Salaries and the annual Gratuities; and Adjourned till tomorrow, at one o'clock.

Wednesday 25th March 1807.

Letter read.

The following Letter, from Messrs. Reid and Irving was read, viz^t.

Broad

Broad St. Buildings
25th March 1807.

Sir.

Letter from Messrs
Reid Irving & Co.

From the means which we have within our reach, we have reason to believe that we shall have it in our power to obtain a considerable quantity of Gold, in the space of twelve months from this period. And we beg to make a tender of whatever we shall obtain, to the Bank of England at the rate of Four pounds per Ounce of Standard Gold, payable on delivery - the whole quantity not to exceed in amount Five hundred thousand pounds St. We have the honor to be

Sir Your most obed^t. humble Servants

Signed - Reid Irving & Co.
Beeston Long & Co.
Governor of the Bank.

Recommendation to
the Court, to purchase
Gold.

Resolved, That it be recommended to the Court of Directors to continue to give £4 per Ounce for such Standard Gold, as shall be offered to the Bank within 12 months, from the present time.

Allowance to the
Messengers, who do
not live within the
Bank -

Resolved, That ten Guineas per Annum be allowed to John Bales and James Thornton, Messengers, in lieu of House-rent; to commence from Christmas 1806; that sum having been granted to the Gate-porters who do not live in the Bank. And that the same sum be allowed to Richard Bromage, the other Messenger, if he shall prefer it to living in the rooms which he now occupies, within the Bank.

Annual rise of Salaries
and Gratuities set
off.

The Committee examined & adjusted the rise of Salaries and Gratuities, in the Chief Accountants List of Clerks.

The

Examination of Officers, Heads of Offices.

The Committee conversed with Mr Best, Mr Newland and Mr Dawes, regarding the business of their respective Offices and the conduct of their Assistants; and also examined the undermentioned Heads of Offices respecting the conduct of the Clerks and the execution of the business, during the present quarter. viz^t

Mr Collins ——— Head of the Cashiers in the Hall and Treasury.
 Mr Plumbe ——— Head of the Bullion Office.
 Mr Madden ——— D^y of the Exchequer
 Mr Holland ——— Storekeeper.

— of attendances.

The several accounts of attendances were also examined, and occasional absences being satisfactorily accounted for, the Committee remitted in every case, the forfeiture of Salary. Payment of the morning allowance money was also ordered and the proportion to Mr Smart, Head of the Clerks in the Cashiers Office, and to Mr Watts, Clerk in the Secretary's Office, allowed to be doubled.

Report to be made to the Court.

Resolved, That a Report conformably with the above examination, be made to the Court of Directors.

Mr Governor.
 Mr Deputy Governor
 Sir R. Meade
 Mr Raikes.
 Mr Wintthrop
 Mr Whitman.

Wednesday 1st April 1807.

The Minutes of the two last meetings were read.

Affidavits exam^d.

The Committee examined Affidavits regarding the undermentioned Bank Post Bill & Notes.

Archib^d. Paston — 1 B. Post Bill — £20 Burnt.

William Thompson 1 B. Note — 20 Lost above £2.

James Duncan 1 D^y — 10 Sinist^r lost

Charles Bonner 1 D^y — 1

George Parkinison 1 D^y — 1

Joseph Sheppardson 1 D^y — 1

Payments

Payment ordered.

Payment of the foregoing, was ordered to the Parties, respectively, subject to the approbation of the Court of Directors. —

in Governor, and
a full Committee

Wednesday 5th April 1807.

Minutes read.

The Minutes of the last Meeting

were read.

Affidavits examined.

The Committee examined Affidavits

regarding the undermentioned Bank Notes viz.

William Taylor	1 Bank Note £100	part burnt.
Joseph Dennis	1 do	10 part destroyed
Philip Smith	1 do	10 destroyed & lost
Robert Byrne	1 do	5. lost above 12 months
Peter Woodcock	1 do	2.
Rebecca Davis	1 do	1.
William Boyce	1 do	1. { mutilated & the number
James Gibson	1 do	1. { & Dates not
J. H. Lean	1 do	1. { ascertained.
William Clapham	1 do	1.

Payment ordered.

ed.

Payment of the above was ordered to the Parties, respectively, subject to the approbation of the Court of Directors.

Resolved.

Stock belonging to
the Charitable Fundities, now standing in the joint names of
for widows.

That £33,785 £3 per Cent Reduced Annu-

ity Newland

do Thompson Sec.

do Edwards &

do Walton - Sec.

and also £3,450 £3 per Cent Reduced Annuities
standing in the joint names of

do Newland &

do Edwards,

both

— Both Funds, being Stock belonging to the Charitable Subscription for the Widows of deceased Clerks— be transferred into the joint Names, of

- Mr Newland,
- Mr Glase
- Mr Dawes &
- Mr Hutchinson.

who, shall constitute the future Trust, for the said Fund.

Recommendation
Note—

On the recommendation of the Committee of Inspection for the Printing Office, it was agreed,

Gratuities be granted for certain Services.

That Gratuities, to the amount of £887.5-0 be granted to sundry Clerks in the New Accountants Office, for their Services in settling 2. P^{ts} of £1. and £2 Bank Notes. And, that a Gratuity of £50. be allowed to William Brewer (should make) for extra Services. The Governor signed an Order for £937.5-0, accordingly. —

An Order signed by the Governor.

Lectures & Accounts regarding the Committee of the House of Commons, on Public Offices &c —

The Governor laid before the Committee the following Letter, and likewise a Correspondence between Henry Bankes Esq Chairman of the Committee of the House of Commons, on Public Offices &c and the Governor. viz^t

N^o 1— Letter from W. G. Rose Esq dated 23. Feb. 1807, Clerk to the aforesaid Committee. Stating that the Committee are about to inquire into the rate of allowance for managing the Public Debt; & desiring the attendance of the Governor, or any other person, with proper Documents, to answer the inquiries of the said Committee, on Friday 27th Feb 1807.

The Governor then stated, that in company with

List of Letters and Accounts continued. with Mr Winthrop he had attended the said Committee and had been examined by the Members, as to the state of management; and had delivered a paper to them, on this subject.

N^o 2. Copy of the said Paper, delivered to the Committee and Public Offices, by the Governor.

N^o 3. Questions delivered in writing, by the Committee to the Governor and Mr Winthrop, on the 27th Feb^y.

N^o 4 }
5 } Answers, to the above Questions.
6 }

N^o 7. Letter from the Governor dated 3^d March 1807, to Mr Bankes, and which accompanied the above answers.

N^o 8. An Order from the Committee, for an account of the total amount of unclaimed Dividends, in the hands of the Bank, on the 1st day of every month, during the last 12 months.

N^o 9. Copy of the Account sent to the Committee, in compliance with the above Order.

N^o 10. An Order from the Committee, for an Account of the daily Balances of Cash in the hands of the Bank &c.

N^o 11. Copy of the Account sent to the Committee, in answer to the above Order.

N^o 12. An Order from the Committee for an Account of the weekly Balances of Cash in the hands of the Bank &c.

N^o 13. Copy of the Account sent to the Committee, in compliance with the above Order.

N^o 14. Letter from Mr Bankes, dated 24th March, to the Governor, asking an explanation of the above account, with reference to sums supposed to have been received and lodged at that Bank, from the

The Post Office.

- N^o 15. Letter from the Governor, of the same date, in answer to the above.
- N^o 16. An Order from the Committee for a statement of all Accounts of Public Money which have been opened with the Bank, since 1786 &c
- N^o 17. Letter from the Governor, dated 1st April, to Mr Bankes, desiring an explanation regarding the particulars of the before mentioned statement.
- N^o 18. Answer from Mr Bankes, of the same date, to the Governor, explaining the intentions of the Committee, with reference to the required statement.
- N^o 19. Copy of the statement of all Accounts of Public money &c in compliance with the above mentioned Order of the Committee.
- N^o 20. Letter from the Governor, dated the 4th of April, to Mr Bankes, accompanying the above statement of Accounts, with observations thereon.
- N^o 21. An Order from the Committee for an Account of the number of Clerks employed in the Transfer Offices &c.
- N^o 22. Copy of the Account sent to the Committee in return to the above Order.
- N^o 23. An Order from the Committee, for an Account of the Amount of losses sustained by the management of Loans &c
- N^o 24. Letter from the Governor, dated 4th April, to Mr Bankes - stating difficulties and objections on the part of the Bank, to the making up & producing the Account above required.
- N^o 25. Answer from Mr Bankes, dated 5th April, to the Governor's Letter - stating, that he would communicate the

List of Letters &c. continued

the Governor's Letter to the Committee, and adding "It will be a satisfaction to the Committee to have an opportunity of conversing with the Governor and Deputy Governor, or a Committee of the Governors, before the Committee close their Report; that they may correct any mistakes into which they may have fallen, and state any facts, which the Bank may think material to be represented, to the House of Commons".

The Committee then came to the following Resolutions.

The Governor's answers &c. approved.

Resolved, That the Governor's Answers to Mr Bankes's Letters and to the Orders of the Committee on Public Offices, for Accounts &c. are approved by this Committee.

Further communications be made to Mr Bankes.

Resolved, That the Governor be requested to acquaint Mr Bankes, that whenever the Committee on Public Offices shall be pleased to appoint a time for the Conference which they have proposed, on the subject of their Report, the Governor and Deputy Governor will wait on the Committee for that purpose.

Thursday 9th April 1807.

Committee of Treasury &c. re-appointed.

The Court of Directors this day appointed a Committee, as follows.

For the Accounts; for the Treasury, for Building, and for Inspection of the Secretary's Office; the Chief Accountants; the Chief Cashier, the Exchequer, the Storekeeper & the Bullion Office.

Mr Richard Pearce Bart

Mr Winthrop

Mr Raikes

and

Mr Samuel Thonston

Mr Whitmore

In Governor, and on
Full Committee.
Minutes read.

Wednesday 15th April 1807.

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The Minutes of the last meeting were read.

Affidavits examined.

The Committee examined Affidavits regarding

the following Bank Notes, viz.

Rev. Henry Bate Dudley - 1. 10. Note - £25. Burnt.

Thomas Lewis — 1 — 0 — 10 — 0 —

John Keating — 1 — 0 — 100 - Simister part lost

Thomas Evans — 1 — 0 — 5. found, in a mat-
tress & stolen & destroyed.

George Geddes — 1 — 0 —

Richard Shewbridge — 1 — 0 —

Mary Gunter — 1 — 0 — } mutilated & the num-
bers and Dates, not
ascertained.

Payment ordered.

Payment of the above was Ordered to the
parties respectively, subject to the approbation of the
Court of Directors.

Petition from Mr.
Smedley.

A Petition from William Smedley, a

House Porter was read: the consideration of it was deferred
— deferred. till the next Committee.

A Clause to be inser-
ted in Mr. Whitbread's
Poor's Bill read.

The Committee having directed, on the 11th
that Mr. Kaye should draw up a Clause, regarding
the Investment and Transfers of Money, in and from
the Public Funds, under Mr. Whitbread's Bill for the
better maintenance and management of the Poor;
the said Clause was read and approved; And it was

— To be submit- Agreed, that it be submitted to Mr. Whitbread for
ted to Mr. Whitbread his approbation.

Fees, in the Secre-
tary's Office.

It having been Agreed by the Com-
mittee, on the 13th June 1806. that no Fees should
be taken in the Secretary's Office; and that the Secre-
tary should make out an Account of the Average
Annual Amount of Fees which have been received

in

Amount of Fees, taken in the Secy's Office since June last.

in his Office; this Subject was now resumed.

Annual average amount of Fees.

It appeared, from an Account produced by the Secretary that Fees, to the amount of £104-17-6 had been received in his Office, since the 26th June last; that they had not, however been appropriated, but remained to be disposed of by this Committee. And from an average

Account of 3 Years, it appeared, that about £161. was the average Annual Amount of the Fees, received in the Secretary's Office. It was therefore

Resolved,

Fees taken in the Secy's Office to be paid to the Charitable Fund.

That £104-17-6, being the Amount of Fees remaining unappropriated in the Secretary's Office, be paid to the Charitable Fund for the Widows of deceased Clerks. And that the Fees which shall be hereafter received in that Office, be paid over, to the said Fund. It was also

Resolved,

a sum to be paid to the Secy's Office in lieu of Fees taken since June 1806.

That £104-17-6 be paid to the Secretary's Office, in lieu of the Fees which have been received since 26th June 1806.

£160 per Annum to be allowed the Secy's Office, in lieu of Fees.

And, that £160 per Annum, to commence from the 5th Inst. be allowed to the Secretary's Office, in lieu of the benefit of all Fees, in future.

Further Orders from the Committee on Public Offices - Accounts &c

The Governor presented the following Orders from the Committee on Public Offices &c, together with the Accounts which have been sent, in compliance therewith. viz

N^o 26. An Order from the above mentioned Committee for an Account of the total Amount of Dividends &c

N^o 27. Letter written by Mr Dawes the Chief

Accountant

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Further Orders from Accountants, at the desire of the Governor & Deputy
Committee on Public Works
Governor, accompanying the Account, made out, in
compliance of the above Order.

No 28. An Order from the Committee, for an Account
of the daily balances, on the Post Master General's
Account &c

No 29— Copy of the Account, sent, in compliance
with the above Order.

Mr Governor.

Mr R. Pearce

Mr Raikes.

Mr Thornton

Mr Winstanley &

Mr Whitmore. read.

Wednesday 22^d April 1807.

The Minutes of the last Committee, were

Affidavits examined.

The Committee examined Affidavits re-

garding the undermentioned Bank Notes, viz.

Thomas Davis — 1 B. Note — £10. Lost above 12
months.

Letitia Schofield — 1 — do — 1.

Sargeant Smith — 1 — do — 1.

Joshua Cawdery — 1 — do — 1.

Stephen Watkins — 1 — do — 1.

} mutilated &
the numbers &
Dates not as-
certained.

Payment ordered.

Payment of the above was Ordered to the
Parties respectively, Subject to the approbation of
the Court of Directors.

Loan of 1807. an
advance on the pay and others, requesting that the Bank would advance the
amounts thereof, re-
quested.

A Letter was read from Mr John Barnes
and future payments on the Loan of the present year,
subject to the usual Conditions. And observing, that if
the redemption could be deferred till after the payment
of Dividends, in January next, it would be a great
accommodation.

Resolved

Resolved,

—Recommendation to the Court, to advance the future payments on the Loan.

That it be recommended to the Court of Directors to advance the 3^d. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8 and 9th. Payments on the said Loan; on condition, that they be redeemed on or before Tuesday the 12th January 1808.

Two forged powers of Attorney, reported to the Committee.

Mr Kaye attended the Committee, on account of two Powers of Attorney, for Dividends, and Sale, one of £575 ^{to} 4 per Cent Annuities, and the other for £485 ^{to} 5 per Cent. Navy Annuities; both of them purporting to be from Cap^t. Alex^r. Alexander of the 4th. Regiment of Foot, to William Poyer of the Stock Exchange; which have been fully acted on, by the said Attorney, but which, there is now reason to believe have been forged by him.

It appeared, that Mr Poyer had acted on a forged Power of Attorney, in a former instance, since which he had shot himself.

—Mr Kaye to take suitable measures thereon.

The Committee Agreed, that Mr Kaye be directed to draw up suitable Heads of Inquiry, to be answered by Captain Alexander, on Oath. And that the same be delivered to the Captain's Agent when he shall again apply to the Chief Accountant, in order that they may be sent to Cap^t. Alexander, who is now in Ireland.

Mr Governor
Mr Depy Governor.
Sir Rich^d. Meade
Mr Raikes,
Mr Winthrop -

Wednesday 29th April 1807.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

Affidavits examined.

The Committee examined Affidavits, regarding

the following Bank Notes.

Anders Chulme	1	Bank Note	£300.	Lost above 12 M ^{ts}
Henry Capper	2	do	35	respective parts lost
Joseph Barnes	3	do	30	
Phillip Stollard	1	do	15	} Lost in parts lost
Cap ^t Th. Twemlow	1	do	10	
Mary Allen	2	do	3	} mutilated & the No ^d of Dates not ascertained.
John Maskell	1	do	1	
Thomas Moyce	1	do	1	

Payments

Payment ordered.

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Payment of the foregoing was Ordered to the parties, respectively, subject to the approbation of the Court.

Application of Will^m

Imedley recommended. of the House Porters presented on the 15th Inst^l was again read, and it was

Ordered.

a Sum granted for his relief.

That he be allowed £6.15.6, to defray the expenses which he has incurred by reason of sickness in his family.

Petition of Eleanor Vaux - for relief.

On reading a Petition from Eleanor Vaux Widow of Richard Vaux dec^d, late a Clerk in this House,

- Stating, that her husband had been about 13 Years in the Service of the Bank; that by his death, herself and 3 Children are left in very distressed Circumstances, and therefore praying for some relief, & that she may be put on the Charitable Fund: It was

£100 granted to her.

Ordered. That £100 be granted for the relief of Eleanor Vaux and her Children, and that she be

And to be put on of Charitable Fund.

put on the Director's Charitable Fund, for the Widows of deceased Clerks.

Resignation of Reginald Parker.

A Petition was read from Reginald Parker - Stating, that he has been 36 Years in the Service of the Bank, and praying leave to retire therefrom, on such a provision as the Governors & Directors shall be pleased to grant him.

Resolved.

Recommended to the Court.

That it be recommended to the Court of Directors to accept Reginald Parker's resignation, and to allow him £180 per Ann^{um} during pleasure.

Resignation of Edw^d Stanley.

A Letter of resignation from Edward Stanley was read - Stating, that he quits the Bank, on account of his having accepted an Offer of Employment, in India.

Mr. Marshall and Mr. Williamson Plan, to be had received from Mr. Thomas Marshall, one of the present Forgers.

The Deputy Governor presented a Letter which Partners in the Salisbury Bank, introducing to the Deputy Governor notice Mr. Williamson of No 13 Tavistock row, Covent Garden; who has invented a peculiar mode of Engraving, which, in Mr. Marshall's opinion, if applied to Bank Notes, would increase the difficulties of Forgery, if not entirely prevent the possibility of committing it.

— Specimens of Engraving produced by them.

Mr. Marshall and Mr. Williamson then attended the Committee, and the latter produced several Specimens of his Engraving, stated to have been performed by an Instrument, without which, no Artist whatever, could execute an Engraving like it.

It was then Agreed

— Resolution of the Committee thereon.

That Mr. Williamson should engrave a Plate, in the proposed manner, for a £1. Note (except the Figure of Britannia) and produce it to the Committee on this day fortnight.

Case of the Bristol Dock Company, presented.

The Governor presented to the Committee "The Case of the Bristol Dock Company" which had been sent to him, by Mr. Rose. The said Case, stated, — that the Dock Company had brought a Bill into Parliament to raise the sum of £60,000 (in addition to the sum of £300,000 previously raised & expended) and were in hopes of obtaining the sanction of Parliament thereto, had no dissolution taken place. It was further stated — that inconveniences of a very serious nature would be felt, both by the Bristol Dock Company and by the Public, if no Funds should be provided for proceeding with the Works.

— Statement of the Governor, thereon.

The Governor then stated, that the Parties interested in this business had attended at the

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the Bank, and had offered a mortgage as a security for the sum wanted by the Bristol Dock Company; but that he had acquainted them, that the Bank, in such Cases, invariably require Notes or Bills, on Gentlemen of known respectability, and that if such security shall be proposed, the Case shall meet with due consideration.

- - This business deferred.

Further consideration of this business was deferred till tomorrow.

Thursday 30th April 1807.

Further Report, on the Case of the Bristol Dock Company.

The Governor reported, that John Scandrell Esq. Treasurer of the Bristol Dock Company, proposes to draw upon The Lupton Brothers & Co. to the Order of Richard and Robert Butler, at two Months, as they may have occasion; not to exceed £60,000 running at one time; said Bills to be renewed from time to time, not exceeding, in the whole, twelve Months.

- - A recommendation to the Court thereon.

Resolved, That it be recommended to the Court of Directors to comply with the above Propositions.

An Governor.
An Raikes &
An Winstone.

Friday 1st May 1807.

The Minutes of the 29th and 30th ult. were read.

A Letter from Francis Moore Esq. Deputy Secretary at War.

A Letter from Francis Moore Esq. Deputy Secretary at War, addressed to the Governor, was read, inclosing an Order which has been issued to the "Field Officer in Staff waiting for the three Regiment of Foot Guards" signifying His Majesty's pleasure, "that no parties of the Foot Guards do march into, or take post within any part of the City of London during the time of the approaching Election for

"for Members of Parliament for the City of London;
 "and for one day at least previous thereto, nor until
 "one day at least after the Poll to be taken at such
 "Election be ended, and the Poll Books closed".

Resolved, That provision be made for the protection of
 the Bank, during the absence of the King's Guard,
 in a manner similar to that which took place, on a
 like occasion, in October last. That thirty of the
 Porters and Watchmen; armed & accoutered, take this
 duty on each night, and that they be superintended
 by Officers of this House (to be selected by the Governor
 and Deputy Governor in succession, so long as the
 — to be communicated to the Court.
 service shall require. And that a communication
 of this business, be made to the Court of Directors.

Mr Governor.
 Mr Deputy Governor.
 Sir Rich^d Meade
 Mr Raikes.
 Mr Wintthrop &
 Mr Whitmore.

Wednesday 6th May 1807.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were
 read.

Affidavits exam^d.

The Committee examined Affidavits
 regarding the undermentioned Bank Notes. vizt
 John Hammett — 1 B. Note £20. Dexter part lost
 Zachens Wood — 2 — 10 — Dr.
 John Clements — 2 — 2
 Edward Chandler — 1 — 2
 William Price — 1 — 1

Mutilated & the
 numbers & dates
 not ascertained.

— Payment ordered.

Payment of the above was Ordered to
 the Parties, respectively, Subject to the approbation
 of the Court of Directors.

The Governor's Report
 of a Letter from Mr
 Hawkeness.

The Governor laid before the Committee
 a Letter, dated 1st May, which he had received
 from

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from Mr. Fawkeners of the Council Office, stating, that
the Committee of Council for Coin, had caused Experiments
to be made by the Principal Officers of His Majesty's Mint,
for the purpose of ascertaining the deficiency in weight
of the Gold Coin, of this Kingdom, and had received the
Report of the said Officers. That it was therefore their
Lordship's wish to confer with the Governor and Deputy
Governor of the Bank, on the defective state of the Gold
Coin, on Monday the 4th Inst. at 12 o'clock.

A Copy of the above mentioned Report, accom-
panied Mr. Fawkeners's Letter.

The Governor Reported, that, as it would have
been inconvenient to the Deputy Governor and himself
to have attended the Committee of Council, on Monday
last, it had been settled, that the proposed Conference
shall take place, on Friday next.

Letter from Mr. Kaye,
with a Plan, regard^g Governor, was read, introducing a Plan, drawn up
Bankrupt Accounts, by a Gentlemen at the Bar, with the Lord Chancellor's
sanction, "for establishing a Board of Auditors
of Bankrupt Accounts; by which all the Money
arising from Bankrupts' Estates, is to be paid into
the Bank of England." The said Plan, proposed,
— that the Board of Auditors should keep a General
Drawing Account with the Bank, subject to the
following Regulations— The Bank to give Receipts
for all Sums paid in. To retain Securities deposited
'till ordered to be sold, by the Auditors. To receive
Interest on Bonds, Bills and Stocks, and enter the
same to the Credit of the Auditors; and to render an
Account, from time to time, of such Interest. To
pay Money to the Orders of three Auditors, in forms
to be prescribed.

Resolved

Resolved,

Resolution of the
Committee, on the Plan
regard^g Bankrupt ac-
counts.

That the Governor be requested to inform
Mr. Kaye, that in the opinion of this Committee, it
will not be within the Rules of the Bank, to comply
with the Proposals in the said Plan; but that the
Bank would readily direct a General Drawing
Account to be opened, as they do, for other Public
Offices.

Letter from Mess^{rs}

Donaldson & Glenney.

A Letter from Mess^{rs}. Donaldson & Glenney,
dated 4th May, was read; soliciting that the period
for the repayment of £20,000, remaining due to
the Bank, of their Loan of £60,000, may be extended
for 18 Months, from the 6th June, next.

Conference with
Mr. Glenney.

The Committee having conferred with
Mr. Glenney, and he having agreed, that £5000
of the above mentioned Sum, should be paid in
the Course of the present Year: It was

Resolved,

Recommendation
to the Court thereon.

That it be recommended to the Court,
to extend the period for the repayment of £5000
of the sum due from Mess^{rs}. Donaldson & Glenney,
to the end of the present Year; and, of the remain-
ing £15,000, for 18 Months, from the 6th June next.

Reference to a former
Minute, regard^g a Power
of Attorney, acted on by
General Hay.

The Committee having agreed, on the
5th Feb^y. 1806, to permit a Power of Attorney for the
Sale of £2434.1.7 £3 per Cent. Reduced to be acted on,
by General Hay, although there was some inform-
ality in the execution thereof, on the like amount
of Stock being transferred by General Hay, into the
joint Names of the Governor and Deputy Governor,
as a Security to the Bank, till a Power of Attorney
properly executed, should be brought to this House.

Report of the Gover-
nor thereon.

The Governor reported, that the Power of Attorney
which had been thus required, from Mr. Thomas Fraser

at Madras, had been produced and deposited at the Bank, properly executed. It was therefore Agreed,

The Governor requested That the Governor and Deputy Governor be desired to transfer the Sum which had been Vested in their joint Names as a Security to the Bank, into the name of General Hay.

Rich^d Gauthony, proper some forged notes. The Deputy Governor Reported, that Richard Gauthony, one of the Inspectors, had suffered forged Notes to pass, at different times, & had pleaded, in excuse, deficiency of sight. It was therefore Resolved,

That it be referred to the appropriate Committee of Inspection, to examine, and report on, this case.

the Governor
the Deputy Governor
the Rich^d Mease.
the Baikes
the Winstrop &
the Whitmore.

Wednesday 13th May 1807.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

The Committee examined Affidavits, regarding the undermentioned Bank notes. viz.

John Henderson	1 Bank note	£30.	Lost above 12 months.
Charles White	1 Do	10.	Minster park lost.
Charles Kensington	1 Do	5.	Do Do.
Edmund Potter	1 Do	2.	
John Garland	1 Do	1.	
John Stokes	1 Do	1.	
Richard Smith	1 Do	1.	
Richard Reynolds	1 Do	1.	
William Honory	1 Do	1.	
Rev ^d George Edison	1 Do	1.	
Robert Williams	1 Do	1.	

Mutilated, & the Gumbut Date not ascertained.

Payment Ordered. Payment of the above was Ordered to the Parties respectively, Subject to the approbation of the Court. The

Report of the Governor
& Deputy Governor at
their meeting on the Com-
mittee of Council, for Coin, on Friday last, when the state
of the Gold Coin in circulation was considered.

The Governor Reported, that the Deputy
Governor and himself, had attended the Committee
of Council, for Coin, on Friday last, when the state
of the Gold Coin in circulation was considered.
That it was the opinion of the Officers of the Mint,
that the deficiency in the Gold Coin, had arisen
from sweating; but upon comparing the Experiments
made by the Officers of the Mint, with those taken
at the Bank, it appeared, that the defective state of
a part of the Gold Coinage, has not proceeded so much
from debasement, as from the friction to which it
is necessarily subjected: And that its deficiency is not
greater than might be reasonably expected from its
course of Circulation.

That it appeared to the Governor and
Deputy Governor to have been in contemplation, to
issue an Order of Council for the purpose of
impressing on the Public, the necessity of weighing
the Gold Coin; but on further consideration, it
did not seem likely that this measure would
be adopted.

Letter from Mr
Bramah.

A Letter from Mr Bramah was read,
requesting that the Bank would come to a speedy
determination on the Subject of his Printing
Machines.

Mr Bramah's Ma-
chines, referred to the
Special Committee for
the Printing Office.

Resolved, That this Subject be referred to the
Special Committee on the business of the Printing
Office; and that the said Committee be requested to
meet, for the consideration of Mr Bramah's Proposals
on Thursday the 21st Inst: at the rising of the Court.

Boxes of old Bank
Notes, recommended
to be burnt.

A Minute from the Committee of Inspection
for the Printing Office was read, recommending
that

The Committee agree thereto. ||

that 1767 Boxes of Bank Notes, from the Year 1764, to 1784, be burnt. The Committee Agreed, that this measure shall be executed, when the Chief Accountant & Chief Cashier shall be prepared to burn other old & useless Papers, which they are about to propose should be destroyed.

Messrs Marshall & Williamson attended the Committee again.

Messrs Marshall and Mr Williamson again attended the Committee, and produced a Plate of a £1 Bank Note, engraved in a peculiar manner; and also two Impressions taken therefrom on Bank Note Paper.

— Conversation with them, regarding their Engraved Plate.

The Committee, after inspecting the same, informed these Gentlemen, that, with their consent, one of the said Notes should be shewn to Mr Terry, and that he should be desired to make a Fac Simile thereof, in as short a time as he could complete the same. Messrs Marshall & Mr Williamson consented thereto; and the Plate, with all their Specimens of Engravings (except the two Impressions on Bank Paper) were redelivered to them.

— Mr Terry conversed with, on the above business.

When they had withdrawn, Mr Terry was called in, and one of the above mentioned Impressions was shewn to him. He then stated, that it appeared to be very well executed; that it was effected, by a Rolling Machine; that he could make such a Machine, if time were given him, for that purpose, and that an imitation of the Notes, might be produced, by hand. He was therefore directed, to

Mr Terry to attempt an imitation of the above Engravings

an imitation of the above Engravings, and also to construct ^{such} a Machine, as he thinks would produce a Fac Simile thereof, within the shortest time he can perform these operations.

In Governor and
a full committee

minutes read.

Thursday 21st May 1807.

The Minutes of the last Meeting

were read.

Affidavits examined.

The Committee examined Affidavits regarding the undermentioned Bank Notes.

Thomas Squire	2 B. Notes	£ 22.	Lost above 12 months.
Johnarrison	1 do	14	partly destroyed.
do	6 do	6	} mutilated & the notes dates not ascertained.
Charles Mitchell	1 do	1	
Elizabeth Lindsay	1 do	1	
Richard Rowland	1 do	10	destroyed & lost.

Payment ordered.

Payment of the above was Ordered to the Parties, respectively, Subject to the approbation of the Court of Directors.

In Governor and
a full committee

Minutes read.

Wednesday 27th May 1807.

The Minutes of the last Meeting

were read.

Affidavits examined.

The Committee examined Affidavits regarding the undermentioned Bank Notes, viz^t

James Read	1 B. Note	£ 20	Lost above 12 m ^{os} .
Blanch Morse	1 do	20	partly destroyed.
Hugh Antrobus	1 do	5	do
James Schofield	3 do	3	} mutilated, & the numbers & dates not ascertained.
William Ford	1 do	1	

Payment ordered.

Payment of the above was Ordered to the parties respectively, Subject to the approbation of the Court of Directors.

List of persons, who
took the Nightly Guard
of the Bank.

Mr Dawes the Chief Accountant presented a
List of the Clerks who had taken the Superintendence of
the Bank, and also of the Gate Porters, Bullion Porters &
Watchmen who had done the Nightly Duty on account
of the absence of the King's Guard, during the late
Election of Members of Parliament, in the City of
London. viz.

8 Clerks	2 nights each	£2-2-0	£16-16-0
2 Dr	1 Dr	1-1-0	2-2-0
1 Head Gate Porter	9 nights	0-5-0	2-5-0
2 Gate Porters	9 Dr	0-4-0	3-12-0
3 Messengers	9 " "	0-4-0	5-8-0
4 Bullion Porters	9 " "	0-4-0	7-4-0
20 Watchmen	9 " "	0-3-0	27-0-0
6 Dr	for Extra duty in the Office	2-6-0	6-15-0
Joseph Shackell for the use of a	}		3-3-0
Room, Bed &c for one of the Clerks			£ 74-5-0

Mr Dawes also presented the undermentioned
List of attendances, on the night of May 23^d 1806, &
3^d April 1807: at which times the King's Guard did
not attend.

1 Head Gate Porter	£ 5-2-0	£ 5-2-0
1 Gate Porter	0-5-0 each night	0-10-0
1 Messenger	0-4-0	0-8-0
23 Watchmen	0-4-0	0-3-0
	0-3-0	6-18-0
		£ 8-4-0

£82-9-0 allowed
for those services.

Ordered. That Eighty two pounds, nine shillings,
be allowed, for the above mentioned services.

Petition of Thomas
Krellé.

On reading the Petition of Thomas Krellé
House-Porter and Supernumerary Watchman, stating
that he has been, for some time past, very ill, that he
has thereby lost the benefit of the Watch, and that he

£20. allowed to
Thos. Keelle.

he has a wife and two Children to provide for:—

Ordered, That £20 be allowed for the relief of the
said Thomas Keelle.

Petition of John
Cole.

On reading the Petition of John Cole a House
Porter and Watchman, stating, that on account of con-
tinued illness he has £14.7.0 to pay to a Substitute
for his watch duty, and £4.10.0 for Medicines: & that
he is in distressed Circumstances;—

Ordered, That £25 be allowed for the relief of
the said John Cole.

Petition of Solomon
Layne.

On reading the Petition of Solomon Layne
House Porter and Watchman stating, that he has
been frequently ill, of late, and has £9.1.6 to pay
to Substitutes for his day and watch duty, and £1.11.6
for Medicines.

Ordered, That £12, be granted for the relief of the
said Solomon Layne.

Mr Kaye's Report, re-
garding inquiries
made of Capt Alexander.

Mr Kaye attended the Committee, and
Reported - that Captain Alexander, had answered
in a satisfactory manner, and on Oath, all the
inquiries which have been made of him (agreeably
to a Minute of the 22^d Ult^o.) regarding the Transfer
of £575 £4 per Cent Ann^l. and £485 £5 per Cent
Navy Ann^l. from his Accounts in the Books of this
House, by ^{two} Powers of Attorney, supposed to have
been forged, by William Prior. That the subscri-
bing Witnesses thereto, had been sought after, but
no such persons could be found; and that there
is no doubt of the forgery, of the said Powers of Attorney.

A recommendation to
Court, that Capt Alexan-
der's Stock & Dividend
be made good.

Resolved, That it be recommended to the Court &
Directors to order the above mentioned sum of

of Annuities, with the Dividends due thereon, be made good, to the said Captain Alexander.

Mr Tenny's Bill, and Mr Maplestons also-ordered to be paid.

Mr Tenny's Bill, for Lady day Quarter last, amounting to £3188-0-6, was ordered to be paid; and also Mr Maplestons Bill of £244.16.0, for Press work, done in the Printing Office.

Letters from Willm 1806b.

Two Letters, addressed to the Governor by Mr William Webb, No 8. Lombard Street, were read; offering his services to increase the circulation of Bank notes. On which it was

--Answer to be given thereto.

Agreed. That the Governor be requested to inform Mr Webb, that he has no occasion to trouble him, on the subject of his Letters.

Mr Governor.
Mr Dep^y Governor.
Sir R. B. Pearce
Mr Parker.
Mr Winthrop,
Mr Whitmore.

Wednesday 3 June 1807.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

Affidavits read.

The Committee examined Affidavits regarding the following Bank Post Bill & Bank notes, viz^t.

George Chas. Jones	1	B. Post Bill	£20	} sinister parts lost
	3	B. notes	30	
John Sergeant	1	do	20	
William Watt	3	do	30	
John Barker	2	do	15	} Dopeless parts lost.
John Lester	1	do	10	
Joseph Collins	1	do	10	
William Williams	1	do	5	partly destroyed.
James Pilling	1	do	1	} mutilated the no. & Dates not ascertained.
Elizabeth Edwards	1	do	1	

Payments

— Payment ordered.

Payment of the foregoing notes, was Ordered to the parties, respectively, Subject to the approbation of the Court of Directors.

Forged notes not for payment.

Mr Winstrop stated to the Committee, that on Monday last, six forged Bank notes, of £1 each had been brought for payment by Messrs Stein, Smith & Co. which they had received from Wood & Co. Bankers at Workington; And there being reason to suppose that if immediate steps were taken, the parties who have uttered the said notes might be apprehended; Mr Glover, the Investigator had been sent off, without any delay.

Petition of William Ansell regarding a lost Bank note.

A Petition was read from Will^m Ansell, stating, that being an Out Teller, on the 29th August 1797, he was, on that day deficient in his Charge £20. That he paid that sum to the Bank, by Instalments; but the deficient Note not making its appearance within 12 months of its being lost, he had been repaid the Amount thereof, on giving a Bond of Indemnity to the Bank. That in September 1797, however, the said note had been paid into the Bank, by William Andrews, an Out Teller, who has since quitted the Service; but the number of it, having been altered, its identity has not been discovered till lately, by which means, he has been prevented tracing it. He therefore submitted his Case to the Committee.

— Testimonies to Mr Ansell's character.

Mr Hase, and Mr Willis (Head of the Bank Note Office) gave Mr Ansell a very good character; and from the Circumstances of the Case they suspected, that the note had been purloined from him. It was therefore

Resolved

£20 allowed to Resolved, That in consideration of *Mr. Russell's* very good character, and of the circumstances attending his Case, he be allowed £20, to make good the payment which he has to make, on account of the said note.

Letter from the Proctors, regarding the proceeds of the Ship Penman &c

On reading the following Letter, viz
To the Honorable the Governor and Directors of the Bank of England.

Gentlemen

2^d Commons 1st May 1807.

In the Case of the Penman & Cargo, where in we had the Honor of addressing You, on the 5th December 1806, respecting the Proceeds in Your Hands, we take the liberty of again troubling You to request the favor of your directing the Money to be Voted in the purchase of £5 per Cent. Annuities for the benefit of whoever may be ultimately entitled thereto on the determination of the Appeal.

We have the honor to be, Gentlemen

Your obedient humble Servants.

Chas Bishop
King's Proctor

Townley & Sons, Proctors
for the Claimant & Appellant,
a minute of

Resolved,

Resolution of the Committee thereon

That Agreeably to this Committee on the 10th December 1806, the money in the hands of the Bank, on the above Account, be invested in £5 per Cent. Navy Annuities, in the joint names of

Beeston Long Esq
Sir Brook Watson Bart
Benjamin Winstrop Esq &
John Whitmore Esq

Mr Governor
 Mr Deputy Governor.
 Mr R. Meade.
 Mr Raikes.
 Mr Winstrop &
 Mr Whitmore.

Wednesday 10th June 1807.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read.

Affidavits exam^d.

The Committee examined Affidavits regarding the following Bank Post Bills & Bank Notes.

Cap. Pierre David Guisart	4.	B. Post Bills £54-10-0	Lost at Sea.
Nicholas Shearby	1.	B. Note	20. Dext. l. p. lost.
Thomas Jarvis	1	do	15. Lost above 12 m. l.
Mat ^r Wilkinson	5	do	7. mutilated
do	2	do	2
Heber Hollett	1	do	2
William Willis	1	do	1.
John Schofield	1	do	1.
John Williams	1	do	10

} mutilated & the
 numbers & dates
 not ascertained.

Payment ordered.

Payment of the above was Ordered to the Parties respectively, subject to the approbation of the Court of Directors.

Mr Morhall and Mr Williamson attend the Committee, by appointment, in order to inspect and examine the Committee: to examine imitation of the note engraved by Mr Williamson which Mr Terry had been desired to execute. One of the Impressions from the original Engraving, and another Impression from the Plate engraved by Mr Terry, were then produced; and both Mr Morhall and Mr Williamson acknowledged, that they were so nearly alike, as that the Public could not be expected to observe a difference between them. And that their Plate would therefore be liable to such close Imitations, as would render it ineffectual to secure the Bank, against forgery.

Mr

Mr Terry called in.

Mr Terry was called in when Mr Williams had withdrawn, and the Deputy Governor acquainted him with the result of the comparison between his, and Mr Williams's Note.

Bank notes proposed to be issued without the word Ent, or the name of a Countersigner.

The Committee for reference from the Special Committee on the Printing Office, having taken into consideration the expediency of issuing Bank notes, without the word, Ent, or the name of the Countersigner being inserted thereon;—

Mr Hase's opinion thereon.

Mr Hase reported, that he knew of no inconvenience which such a regulation would produce. And Mr Kays having been consulted by the Governor thereon stated—

Also, Mr Kays's sentiments thereon.

That the name of the Countersigner is not at all necessary, to the validity of a Bank note.

That no Cashier or Countersigner has been called to give evidence on Trials, for the forgery of Bank notes, for 8 or 9 years past.

And that, in his opinion the proof of forgery will be simplified and strengthened, by omitting the name of the Countersigner, as well as every kind of superfluous description, on Bank notes.

It was therefore

Resolved,

Resolution of the Committee thereon.

That in the opinion of this Committee it will be expedient to omit the word Ent, and the name of a Countersigner, on the Notes of this House. And that in the construction of Mr Bra-
=wah's Machines, a Letter be appropriated to each Machine, to be printed on Bank notes, at the same time and by the same process by which, the numbers and Dates shall be printed.

in Governor and
a full committee.

minutes read.

Wednesday 17th June 1807

The minutes of the last meeting were
read.

Letter from Mr. S.
Bramah.

The following Letter, and Account, from Mr.
Bramah, were read; viz.

To the Honourable the Governor and Directors of the
Bank of England.

Gentlemen.

During the interval between our two
last meetings I paid a very particular attention
to the improvements you had suggested, and with
much anxiety for the good of the undertaking had
found out others of equal importance in the busi-
ness, and feeling myself singularly happy through
a confidence that I should succeed in accomplishing
the whole completely at the moderate addition to
the price before stated, I made myself sure of the
favour of your Orders for the number of your ma-
chines previously mentioned. But the conduct
of the last Meeting, I am sincerely sorry to state
proved so different from these expectations, that
my spirits now finally fail me, when I think of
proceeding any farther, in the way then proposed.

I therefore take the liberty of inclosing
my Account, leaving a Blank for the sum of the
consideration I was to receive for the transfer of
my Patent to the Bank according to the agreement
made by you when Mr Kay your Solicitor was
present, which sum or any other part of the
charge we may not be able to agree upon, between
ourselves, I am willing to leave to the determination
of any two persons competent to put a fair value
on the whole, and resting assured that you will

will find no objections to this mode of settling the business, should it be necessary, I remain

Gent^l. Your most obedient humble Servant.

Pencil signed. Joseph Bramah.
June 15. 1807.

London.

The Honble the Gov^t & Directors of the Bank of England.

D^{rs} to Joseph Bramah.

Account from Mr Bramah. —

1805.

Nov^r — 20th — To my own time waiting on Mr Hall to consult with him on the practicality of making a machine for printing the numbers on notes. (by order of Mr Perry) — 4-4-

Dec^r — 6 — Do — Coach hire and expences, waiting on Gov^t with a wooden model of machine consulting with them on the subject — 4-4-

1806.

April — 5 — Do — Do — Do — 4-4-

June — 27 — Do — Do — Do — 4-4-

July — 30 — Do — Do — Do — 4-4-

Aug^t — 6 — Waiting on Gov^t with machine, consulting on the proposed improvements & expences — 4-4-0

Dec^r — 23rd — Do — Do — 4-4-0

1807

March — 4 — Waiting on the Governor, as before, making experiments with form — 4-14-6

Paid Mr Collins for attendance on that day 1-1-0

9 — Waiting on the Governor as before, with my son printing a quantity of notes &c — 5-5-

Paid Mr Collins the Printer for his attendance 1-1-

The labour and materials in the construction of a wooden model made according to my first Instructions, to print the Numbers only, as also a finished Brass machine Table Press &c. with the additional apparatus for printing the Dates Patterns for the same and my own time attending and consulting Mr. Dale at several times deliberating on

Carried over and 41-9-6

and making drawings of the various alterations and Improvements as they were suggested, numerous attendances and Consultations with the Engraver and Printer and time making various Experiments at Home with their Assistance

550. ---

March 9

Expences paid Solicitor in obtaining a Patent

140. ---

My own time drawing up Specification and also attending several times in passing the Patent

10. 10. ---

To the Consideration for the Assignment of the Patent to you - (as may be hereafter agreed)

£ 741. 19. 6

The Opinion of the Committee on Mr Bramah's Letter and Account.

The Committee having taken Mr Bramah's Letter and Account into Consideration, are of opinion his demand is enormous and highly unreasonable, and as he refers to a conversation held with the Committee in the presence of Mr. Kaye the Letter and Account is hereby referred to Mr. Kaye's consideration, and that the Secretary be directed to write to Mr. Bramah, to inform him that Mr. Kaye has received the directions of the Committee to communicate with him on the subject of his demand.

Mr Kaye to tender 300 Guineas to Mr B.

That Mr. Kaye be directed to tender Mr. Bramah Three hundred Guineas in full satisfaction of his demand

Affidavits examined.

The Committee examined Affidavits regarding the following Bank Post Bill and Bank Notes.

John Wood	1 B. Post Bill	£ 20	} deposite part lost
George Stewart	1 Bank Note	10	
William Savage	1 --- d	20	} sinister part lost
Harriet Cottrell	1 --- d	5	
Martha Bayard	3 --- d	20	} respective parts lost
John Nash	1 --- d	5	
Rev. Saml. Watson	1 --- d	10	} deposite part lost
James Johnston	1 --- d	2	

Mutilated & the Num^{rs} & Date not ascertained.

Payment

Payment ordered.

Payment of the foregoing was ordered to the Parties respectively, subject to the approbation of of the Court of Directors. —

Petition of Ann Barnard.

A Petition was read from Ann Barnard, wife of John Barnard deceased late Head of the Accountants Drawing Office, stating that by his death she has nothing to rely on for future support, but the Annuity from the Clerks Widows Fund, that she is 63 years of Age and from ill health is incapable of using means to provide for her subsistence. —

Consideration thereon.

It appeared that M^r. Barnard had been 35 years in the service of the Bank, and that his Character and Conduct had been uniformly faithful & meritorious. It was therefore agreed, that M^r. Barnard be put on the Directors Charitable Fund; and also, Resolved,

Resolution thereon.

That it be recommended to the Court of Directors to allow M^r. Ann Barnard £70 per Ann. to commence from the time of Her Husbands decease and to continue during pleasure. —

Mr Governor.
Mr Deputy Governor
Mr Rich^d. Pearce
Mr Raikes
Mr Winstrop
Mr Whitmore.

Wednesday 24th June 1807.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read.

Affidavits examined

The Committee examined Affidavits regarding the following Bank notes viz.

Thomas Coverdale	6 B. notes	£30	Bank
William Doolan	1	£	30. Lost.
Lancelot Hare	1	£	10. Winstrop lost.
James Harrison	1	£	1
George Bromley	1	£	1
John Jackson	1	£	1
John Hayne	1	£	1

} mutilated & the numbers & dates not ascertained.

Payments

- Payment ordered.

Payment of the foregoing notes was ordered to the parties, respectively, subject to the approbation of the Court of Directors.

Two Counter Affidavits regarding one note.

Mr Hase produced an Affidavit of Charles Hambling, with the dexter part of a £1 Bank note annexed, and an Affidavit of Mary Irwin, with the sinister part of the same note; each party swearing to a property in the note, and claiming payment thereof. On

— Directions to Mr Hase thereon.

which Mr Hase was directed - not to pay the note, unless ~~both~~ the parties shall be agreed, which of them shall receive the same.

Letter from Mr Kaye - on Mr Bramah's business.

The following Letter was read from Mr Kaye, in answer to the reference made to him by the Committee, regarding Mr Bramah's last letter to the Bank.

To the Governor of the Bank.

Swithin's Lane 18 June 1807.

Sir.

Agreeably to the directions of the Committee of Treasury, I have attentively perused Mr Bramah's Letter of the 15th Inst. and the Account therein referred to, and I am of opinion the sum proposed to be tendered to Mr Bramah, is much more than he has any fair claim upon the Bank for. I remember being present at a conversation between the Committee and Mr Bramah, on the 30th July last, when, after much discussion upon the utility of his machine and the means of adapting it to stamp the numbers in Bank Notes, some conversation took place as to the Bank absolutely purchasing Mr Bramah's Patent right, or paying him a certain price for his Machines, and to enable the Committee to

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to decide in what manner they would deal with. Mr Bramah he was desired to state to them his terms; but no assurance or engagements whatever were given on the part of the Bank either that his Patent, or any given number of his Machines would be purchased, nor was any price mentioned either for the Patent, or for the Machines. Mr Bramah was merely desired to submit his Terms to the Committee, who were left at liberty to accede to, reject or vary them, as they should think right.

I am Sir
signed. Joseph Kaye.

Bank notes in a
mutilated state, but
for payment.

Mr Hase presented seven Bank notes of £2. each, brought for payment by W. & L. Moore & Co. from every one of which notes, the Britannia had been entirely cut out. A Letter from R. A. Daniell of Tours accompanied the notes, to say, that he paid £14 for them, but did not know by whom they had been mutilated.

—Directions to
Mr Hase &erson.

The Committee directed Mr Hase to pay the said notes, but to recommend to the parties to discourage the practice of mutilating notes, in future.

Application on be-
half of Cornhill & Birch and Mr Jacob Boak, Treasurers to the
Lime St. Ward School.

A Letter was read from Mr Alderman Cornhill and Lime Street Ward Charity School; — soliciting aid from the Bank, on the ground, that a large portion of Cornhill Ward is a part of the Bank Estates, and on account of the inadequacy of present Subscriptions to the support of the said School.

Reference had
thereon.

Reference being had to the proceedings of the Committee, on an Application to grant assistance to

to Coleman Street Ward Charity School, on the 28th Jan^y last, It was

A Donation & an Annual Allowance granted to the School.

Resolved, That a Donation of Twenty Guineas be now presented, and that an Annual Subscription of Ten Guineas, to commence from the present time, be in future paid, to the Treasurers of Cornhill and Lime Street Ward School.

The following Letter was read, viz^t
To the Governor and Compt^r of the Bank of England
Fleet St. 24, June 1807.

Letter from Messrs
Prads & Co

Gentlemen,

In consequence of an application from the Cornish Bank to make a large payment at the Exchequer for Mr Kaskleigh Receiver General of the County of Cornwall, we have been induced to apply to you for a temporary Loan of Fifteen thousand pounds upon a deposit of East India Bills remitted by them, but which, from their length of date, are not discountable in the usual way; by complying with our request you will oblige

Yours very obed^t & able Serv^t
Prads & Co

The complied with.

Resolved,

That the above application be complied with: and that the Governor be requested to acquaint the Court therewith.

Report of the Court's
Decision, on Messrs
Barnard's Case.

The Governor acquainted the Committee that he had stated to the Court, the faithful services of Mr Barnard, late Head of the Accountants Drawing Office, and also the Circumstances under which his widow has petitioned for assistance. And, that the Court had agreed to allow Mr Barnard £100 per Ann^{um} during pleasure.

Mr Governor
Mr Deputy Governor
Mr Richd Pearce
Mr Rankin
Mr Winthrop

Thursday 25th June 1807.

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The following letter was read, vizt

Treasury Chambers 23 June 1807.

Letter from the Chan-
cellor of the Exchequer, Gentlemen.

I beg to represent to you that it will
be a great accommodation to the Public Service if
your Court will consent to purchase Exchequer
Bills to the amount of two millions. I request
therefore you will have the goodness to move your
Court to consent to such purchases accordingly.

I have the honor to be Sir

To the Governor & Deputy
Governor of this Bank. Signed Sp Percival.

— recommended
to the Court.

Resolved, That it be recommended to the Court
of Directors to comply with the Chancellor of
the Exchequer's application.

Mr Governor
Mr Deputy Governor
Mr Richd Pearce
Mr Thompson
Mr Winthrop &
Mr Whitmore.

Wednesday 1st July 1807.

The minutes of the two last Meetings
were read.

Affidavits exam^d.

The Committee examined Affidavits
regarding the following Bank Notes, vizt

William Carter	4 B. Notes	£30. lost above
William Grobecker	1 do	5 } 12 lost
David Rodney Murray	1 do	5 Miss. pt lost
Jeremiah Foley	1 do	5 Deptn do
Ann Woosterham	1 do	2 mutilated & Date not known

— Payment
Ordered.

Payment of the above was ordered to the
parties, respectively, subject to the approbation
of the Court of Directors.

The

Examination of the
Principal Officers &
Heads of Office.

The Committee conversed with Mr. Best, Mr. Newland and Mr. Davies regarding the business of their respective Offices and the conduct of their Assistants, and also examined the undermentioned Heads of Offices respecting the conduct of the Clerks and the execution of the business, during the present quarter. viz

Mr Collins — — — — Head of the Cashiers in the Hall
and in the Treasury.
Mr Humble — — — — Head of the Bullion Office
Mr Madden — — — — & — of the Exchequer &
Mr Holland — — — — Storekeeper.

Examⁿ. of Attendance.

The several Accounts of Attendance were also examined; the Committee remitted the forfeiture of Salary in every case of occasional absence, and ordered the Morning Money to be paid to the Clerks, according to their respective attendances. The proportions to Mr Smart, Head of the Clerks in the Cashiers Office, to Mr Madden Head of the Exchequer Office, and to Mr Watts, Clerk in the Secretary's Office, to be doubled.

Resolved,

A Report to be made
to the Court.

That a Report conformably with the
above examination, be made to the Court of Directors.

Resolved,

Annual Allowances

recomm^d. to be paid.

That it be recommended to the Court, to
pay, under the undermentioned Annual Allowances to be
paid, to the Officers who are not included in the gene-
ral distribution of the Morning Attendance Money.

Mr Smith — — — — (L^{te} Dep^y Secretary — — — — £ 40.

Mr Knight — — — — 1st Asst^t & — — — — 40

Mr Humble — — — — Head of the Bullion Office — — — — 40

Mr Gunningham — — — — Late Head of the Exch^r
Office resigned 19th March } 30

The

Reference of the Case of
Joseph Irving.

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The Court of Directors having referred to this Committee to consider, what allowance shall be made to Joseph Irving, during his present state of mental derangement? It was

Resolved

--- recommendation
to the Court thereon.

That it be recommended to the Court, to allow the said Joseph Irving £80 per Annum during the present state of his health.

Mr Kaye's report
regarding Mr Bramah.

Mr Kaye attended the Committee, and reported, that he had written to Mr Bramah, and had solicited an interview with him; but that Mr Bramah had referred him to his Solicitor.

Mr Bramah attended
the Committee.

Mr Bramah having at this time called to speak to the Governor, he was called into the Committee, and Mr Kaye communicated what he remembered to have passed in the conversation between Mr Bramah and the Committee, referred to by Mr Bramah in his last letter. Mr Kaye, then, by direction of the Committee, made a tender of £315 in Bank Notes, to Mr Bramah in full satisfaction for his demands on the Bank: which, he declined to accept.

After further conversation with Mr Bramah, he was requested to withdraw into another room. After which, it was

Resolved,

— a Proposal
made to him.

That the following Proposal be made to Mr Bramah, vizt.

To make a Pattern Machine, similar to that which he has made and exhibited; but the new Machine to include the following Improvements.

A Letter to be introduced into the
machine

Proposals to Mr
Bramah.

machines, to designate it.

The Unit figures to be turned by the operation of the handle of the Machine, instead of the Fork being used for that purpose.

That on the said Pattern Machine being made, and approved by the Committee, the Committee will enter into an Agreement with Mr Bramah for supplying the number of Machines which shall be required for the work of the Bank. But in the event of the Committee not approving of the Pattern Machine, or not choosing to adopt the Invention, Mr Bramah shall be paid the sum of £250, in full, for the single Machine.

— Mr Bramah agrees thereto.

Mr Bramah was then called in, and the above Proposals were read to him, except, that the sum to be paid him for the Machine, was left blank. He was desired to name a Sum, on which he mentioned £250. This ^{sum} was inserted; he agreed to the Proposals and expressed his intention of immediately proceeding to execute them.

— Further Conversation with Mr Bramah.

Mr Bramah having repeatedly observed that he had been at considerable expences, on account of the Machine which he has already made,

— The Committee again tendered him £315, on condition of his signing a Receipt, in full of all demands.

Mr Bramah said, that as his Son is concerned with him in business, he wished to consult him, on this subject - and therefore would take time to consider it.

Report of Mr Kaye,

of Mr Kaye, It was

On the Report and Recommendation

Agreed,

Balance of a Drawing
Account to be paid. Agreed. That £ 344 5 3, the balance of a Drawing
Account in the name of Benjamin Whitcomb; be
paid to Chalcom Rops, Administrator to the said
Benjamin Whitcomb.

Mr Governor,
Mr Deputy Governor
Mr R. Peave,
Mr Thornton,
Mr Wintthrop
Mr Whitmore.

Wednesday 2^d July 1807.

The Minutes of the last Committee
were read.

Affidavits examined.

The Committee examined Affidavits
regarding the undermentioned Bank Notes. vizt.
David Parker ——— b. B. Notes — £115 Dextor part lost
Brown & Marshall — 2 do ——— 20. Sinister part, &
James Chipp ——— 1 do ——— 1
John Levy ——— 1 do ——— 1
George Wells ——— 1 do ——— 1
William Curtis — 1 do ——— 1 } mutilated, the
Number Notes
not ascertained.

Payment ordered.

Payment of the above was ordered to
the parties respectively, subject to the approbation
of the Court of Directors.

Lists of Old Books
& Papers presented.

Mr Daves and Mr Hase presented each
a List of the old Bank notes, Books and Papers in
their respective Departments, which, in their opi-
nion may now be destroyed. The Committee
examined the said Lists, and Agreed,

Some old notes &
Books to be burnt.
Others to be cut
up & sold.

That the notes and Books which are to
be intirely destroyed, be burnt; and that the other
Books and Papers shall be cut in pieces & sold, as
on a former occasion, to Messrs Grosvenor & Co. —

The

Governor's Report of
further Orders from the
Committee on Public
Offices &c—

The Governor Reported, that the Committee on Public Offices had again Ordered an Account of the Amount of Losses sustained by the Management of Loans and Public Debt &c. In consequence of which the Governor had transmitted to Mr Banks, the Chairman of the said Committee, a Copy of the Correspondence which was carried on, when this Order was first issued; and had expressed his hope, that it would now, be equally satisfactory.

— Report of a
Letter from the Secy
to the Commissioners
for Auditing Public
Accounts.

The Governor laid before the Committee a Letter which Mr Newland had received from Mr Mallet, Secretary to the Commissioners for Auditing Public Accounts;—on the Subject of the Memorial from the Bank, claiming Allowances on Money received from the Duties on Property, in the Years 1803- to 1806;—requesting Accounts of the number of Clerks employed by the Bank, on this business, and of the Balances of Public Money on certain Accounts kept at the Bank.

— An Answer to
the same Agreed to. The form of an Answer thereto, to be signed by Mr Newland, was Agreed to; and the Accounts required, were directed to be sent.

to the Governor,
to the Deputy Governor,
Mr Withers &
Mr Whitmore.

Wednesday 15th July 1807.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were
read.

The Committee examined Affidavits
regarding the following Bank Notes, viz.

Joseph

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Affidavits examined.	Joseph Greaves	2 B. Notes	£100	Dexter parts lost.
	St. Col. Jas. Brimton	1 do	10	
"	Jonathan Newton	1 do	5	do do
	Henry Miller	1 do	1	Mutated, & the numbers & dates not ascer- tained.
	John Vandevent	1 do	1	
	Sarah Walker	1 do	1	
	John Searle	1 do	1	
	Thomas Biggs	1 do	1	

— Payment ordered.

Payment of the above was Ordered to the Parties respectively, subject to the approbation of the Court of Directors.

Further Report from the Governor of his Correspondence with Mr. Bankes &

The Governor reported to the Committee that he had received a further communication from Mr. Bankes, acquainting him, that he had no intention of troubling him again for an Account of the Losses &c. but having upon the appointment of the Committee given directions to the Clerk to make out and send to the proper Offices such Orders as had not been complied with, before the dissolution of Parliament, Mr. Bankes imagined that the Order in question had been copied from the former Minutes, and that he had signed it, as a matter of course, without particularly advert- ing to the correspondence which had passed on the Subject, and ^{with} which, he remained perfectly satisfied.

The Governor's Report of Correspondence with the Wth Hon^{ble} Mr. Long & Mr. Bankes.

The Governor also reported to the Committee a Correspondence which he had held with the Wth Hon^{ble} Mr. Charles Long and Mr. Bankes, regarding a mode of checking the Paymaster General's Account at the Bank, by balancing the Bank Book every month or oftener, if required, to enable him to draw up his Monthly Memorial to the Treasury.

Application from the
Committee of the Hud-
-son's Bay Comp^y.

A Letter from the Committee of the Hudson's Bay Company was read - Stating the difficulties which have been thrown on the Fur Trade, and therefore requesting, that in addition to the Credit of £20,000 already granted by the Bank to the 8th Aug. next, a new Credit, to the amount of £30,000 be also granted, and that both of them exist, for two months, from this date.

--- recommended Resolved,
to the Court.

That it be recommended to the Court of Directors to comply with the above Application.

Report of a £1 note
being lost.

Mr. Hare Reported, that 1706 notes of £1 each, had been brought to the Bank from Mess^{rs} Roberts & Co, that they had been examined & found right by the Inspectors, and had been handed to Mr. Field, a Cashier, who cancelled, but did not count them; and that afterwards, when they were entered in the Cash Book Office, one note was missing.

--- Mr. Field the Cash.
ier to make it good.
He ---

The Committee directed, that Mr. Field the Cashier, shall pay the amount of the missing note; and deferred a consideration on the mode of transacting this business, till a future meeting.

Mr. Governor.
Mr. Deputy Governor.
Mr. R. Heave
Mr. Thornton.

Minutes read.

Affidavits &c and

Wednesday 22nd July, 1807.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read.

The Committee examined Affidavits regarding the following Bank notes &c &c viz.

George Tate Esq	7 Bank notes	£7000.	missing from the Office of Henry Attcraft Esq.
William Noble	1 B. Post Bill	£21.5.2.	Lost.
Th ^o . Trevor White	1 - 8 - 8	10.	} sinister parts lost.
John Barrett	1 B. note	20	

William

Payment ordered.	William Bryan	1	13. note	£30 partly destroyed
	William Cockerton	1	do	5. do
	John Wells	1	do	5. do
	James Bent	3	do	11. do
	John Johnston	1	do	1. do
	Richard Parry	1	do	1. do
	John Reeves	1	do	1. do
	George Rochford	1	do	1. do
	Amos Herbert	1	do	2. do

} mutilated, and
the number &
date not as-
certained.

Payment of the above was Ordered to the parties respectively, subject to the approbation of the Court of Directors. —

Representation from the Paymaster of the Forces &c.

In consequence of a representation from the Paymaster of His Majesty's forces that he cannot comply with the act of Parliament in transmitting Memorials for Money to the Treasury, unless the Bank will state, from time to time, the Balance on his account at the Bank; — It was

Credits, to be written in the Bank Books, on Public Accounts, without the sum being claimed.

Ordered, That the Credits of all sums of money paid in, on any Public Account, shall be written into the appropriate Bank Books, without a particular claim of each sum, as has hitherto been required.

Further Application from the Bristol Dock Company.

An Application from Messrs Richard and Robt Butler, Agents to the Bristol Dock Company, was read, stating, — that in consequence of the delay in passing the Act of Parliament for the said Company, they have occasion for the sum of £40,000, in addition to the £60,000, already advanced; for the same period and to be done in the same way, by Bills drawn by the Directors of the Bristol Dock Company on, and accepted by Messrs Shillup and Brothers & Co. and to be indorsed and

and presented for Discount, by Mess^{rs} Butlers.

Recommendation
to the Court thereon. Resolved, That it be recommended to the Court of Directors to comply with the above application; provided, that the Bills for the additional sum of £40,000 be accepted and indorsed by other parties, than accepted and indorsed the first advance, by Bills, to the Bristol Dock Company.

Mr Butler con-
versed with.

Mr Butler was then called in and acquainted with this Resolution: as it respects a change of names, on the proposed Bills.

Letter of resignation
from Mr Edw and
Lampert.

A Letter was read from Edw^d Lampert, a Clerk now under suspension, - stating, that on account of frequent illness, he begs leave to retire from the service of the Bank; and hopes that his Case will meet with the consideration of the Court.

— Report on his
Case.

A Report from the Committee of Inspection for the Printing Office &c - was also read, recommending that he be allowed to retire from the service of the Bank.

— To be laid before
the Court.

Resolved, That Edw and Lampert's petition & the Report of the Committee, be laid before the Court.

Petition of James
Barber, praying
to resign on a Pen-
sion.

A Petition from James Barber, one of the Signers of notes under £5 was read, stating that he has been 29 years in the service, and now feels himself incapable of performing the Duties of his situation, by reason of his eye-sight having failed, almost beyond the use of Glasses. That it was this, and other infirmities, which obliged him to decline being a Cashier, in his turn, and he now, therefore, solicited leave to resign the service of the Bank.

— Mr Barber con-
versed with.

Mr Barber was called in, and stated, that he is 55 years of age; with the exception of the failure of his sight, he appeared in very good health. *Mr*

Mr Hase reports on
Mr Barber's Case.

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Mr Hase stated, that Mr Barber is a single man
but has no other property, than £100 £4 per Cent Annuities,
- That instead of signing the usual number of 1000
Notes per day, Mr Barber has only signed 300; and that
if he should be continued in the Bank, it will be
more advisable to give him a reduced number of
Notes to sign, than to appoint him to any Office of
Superintendency; for which, in Mr Hase's Opinion,
Mr Barber is not suited. It was therefore
Agreed,

— Mr Barber to be
continued in the
service.

That Mr Barber be continued in the
service of the Bank, and that a less number of
Notes, than he has signed, be given him to sign,
for his daily work.

Application for 14
Year's Div.ⁿ from
Susanna Shakespeare.

The Chief Accountant acquainted
the Committee, that Susanna Shakespeare had
applied to receive 14 year's Dividends on £650 £4
per Cent Ann.^l but that payment thereof had been
refused, on account of her appearing to be subject
to mental derangement. It was also stated,
that her brother, a very respectable person, accom-
panied her to the Bank, and that the money
was wanted for her support.

— Mr Kaye's
Opinion thereon.

Mr Kaye being of opinion that the Bank
could not withhold the Dividends, in this case,
It was

— Resolution
thereon. —

Resolved, That they be paid to the said Susanna
Shakespeare; but that her brother be required
to sign, with her, on each Dividend warrant.

in Governor.
in Dep. Governor.
in Thornton &
in Winthrop.

Affidavits exam^d.

read.

The Committee examined Affidavits regarding the following Bank notes, viz.

George John Jones	1 B. note	£1. Lost about 12 Mo.	
William Giles	2 do	4.	
Peter Paul	1 do	1.	} Mutilated, & the Numbers & Dates not ascertained.
Thomas Wilkinson	1 do	1.	
Robert Slaughter	1 do	1.	

Payment
ordered.

Payment of the above was Ordered to the parties respectively, subject to the approbation of the Court.

The Governor's Report
of further Correspondence
with Mr. Long.

The Governor reported a further correspondence with the H. Hon. Charles Long, on the subject of the Paymaster of the Forces' Account at the Bank. And also stated.

Statement of Mr.
Keen Stables.

That Mr. Keen Stables, Cashier to the Paymaster had represented, that it will be very inconvenient to send the Bank Book, at the same time with the Write-Offs, to the Bank. On which it was

The practice of
sending Bank Books
with Write Offs, to
be dispensed with.

Agreed, That the practice of sending the Bank Book, with the Write-Offs, be dispensed with; but that it be required, that the Bank Book be sent to the Bank to be balanced, at least once a month. And that the form of a write-off to be used, in future, be sent to the Pay-Office.

Further Letter from the
Secy to the Commissioners
for auditing Public
Accounts.

The Governor laid before the Committee a further Letter from the Secretary to the Commissioners for auditing the Public Accounts,

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Accounts, addressed to Mr Newland; and requesting
that sundry accounts may be sent to the Com-
missioners on the subject of the sums claimed by
the Bank for the management of Loans and
Lotteries.

— An Answer to
the said Letter, Agreed
to.

The form of an Answer to the said
Letter, to be signed by Mr Newland, was then
read, and Agreed to.

