

SENATE.....No. 59.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, *Feb. 12, 1842.*

Ordered, That the State Directors of the Western Railroad, or any one of them, or the President of said company, be requested to report, as soon as practicable, a schedule or statement containing the amount of compensation and salary paid for two years past, to each officer, agent or person in the employment of the corporation; also the amount paid to any person for extra service, or in addition to their regular compensation, specifying in each case the amount paid, to whom, the nature of the service, the amount per annum, and the increase of salary or compensation, if any, together with the charges and compensation of the State Directors. Also the amount paid by said corporation since the cars commenced running for damages arising from accidents, and the amounts now claimed and as yet unliquidated.

Sent up for concurrence.

L. S. CUSHING, *Clerk.*

IN SENATE, *Feb. 12, 1842.*

Concurred.

CHAS. CALHOUN, *Clerk.*

A true copy: attest,

CHAS. CALHOUN, *Clerk of the Senate.*

To the Senate and House of Representatives :

The undersigned, directors of the Western Rail-road Corporation on the part of the State, in compliance with the annexed order of the two houses, respectfully report, that upon the receipt of the order, they addressed inquiries to the different departments of service of the corporation, and have obtained the subjoined information. They do not suppose that it was the intention of the Legislature to call for an enumeration of the names and compensation of every person who has been employed by the corporation in the various branches of its business,—although such is the literal construction of the order—inasmuch as it would obviously require more time and labor than the present session will allow to complete such a statement, if it is to include contractors, engine-men, fire-men, break-men, machinists, mechanics and laborers of every description, along the whole line of the road. Presuming that the object is to inquire in relation to the officers and principal agents of the corporation, whose compensation is in the form of fixed salaries,—the annexed document has been prepared as much in detail as an anxious desire to give an early answer would permit.

The directors are not aware of any payments to any persons or officers of the corporation, of any sums for extra service, or in addition to their regular compensation.

As to so much of the order as calls for a statement of the amount paid and claimed for damages arising from accidents, the directors beg leave respectfully to suggest, that negotiations, for the settlement of such claims and some

suits against the corporation, are now pending, and in such condition as to render a satisfactory statement almost impossible at the present moment,—and until a final adjustment is accomplished, such a public statement might seriously affect the interests of the corporation.

As to the amounts actually paid where settlements have been effected, the annexed paper marked E, will show the sums paid for losses and damages of every kind since the cars commenced running.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN HOWARD,
WILLIAM JACKSON,
JOHN W. LINCOLN,

State Directors.

February 19, 1842.

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A.

BOSTON, Feb. 17, 1842.

HON. JOHN HOWARD, *President Western Rail-road Corporation.*

DEAR SIR,—In answer to your letter inquiring the salaries of certain officers of the Western Rail-road Corporation, for the years 1840 and 1841, I would say, that the salaries of the president, treasurer, agent, and of the solicitor and clerk of the corporation, are established annually by the Board of Directors.

In 1840 they were fixed as follows :

President,	. . .	\$2,000.	
Treasurer,	. . .	1,500,	exclusive of clerk-hire and other expenses, for which \$1,300 were subsequently voted.
*Agent,	. . .	3,500,	in full for services and all expenses, except his expenses when out of the Commonwealth, or in Boston.
Solicitor and clerk,		500.	

In 1841, the salaries of the same officers were fixed as follows :

President,	. . .	\$1,000.	
Treasurer,	. . .	2,500,	with an additional allowance of \$1,300 for clerk-hire, office-rent, &c.
Agent,	. . .	1,500.	
Solicitor and clerk,		500.	

Respectfully,

ELLIS GRAY LORING, *Clerk.*

* Richard D. Morris, assistant and clerk in the agency department, \$1,200.

B.

BOSTON, Feb. 16, 1842.

JOHN HOWARD, Esq., *President of the Western Rail-road Corporation.*

DEAR SIR,—In reply to your communication of yesterday's date, I herewith hand you a list of all persons employed in the transportation department, receiving stated salaries.

This list was made up and reported for the information of the Board of Directors, on the 8th of July last,—since which there has been no increase during the year 1841.

In the year 1840 the list was not so large,—nor have all the persons named been in the service during the whole year 1841.

I have not the means, except at my office in Springfield, to state the time each came into service.

My own salary as engineer of the road and agent of transportation department, is \$6,000 per annum.

With great respect,

Your obedient servant,

GEORGE W. WHISTLER, *Engineer.*

List of officers in the Transportation Department of the Western Rail-road.

James Barnes, master of transportation,	Salary, \$1,500 pr. an.
S. H. P. Lee, Jr. " " "	" 1,000 "
A. Ware, clerk,	" 1,000 "
J. S. Potter, road-master,	" 1,000 "
P. Anderson, "	" 1,000 "
J. P. T. Burbank, clerk at Springfield,	" 600 "
O. Harrington, " Worcester,	" 600 "

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Ab. Firth, Jr.	way-agent, Clappville,	salary,	300 pr. an.
H. Towne,	" Charlton,	"	300 "
E. B. Drofe,	" Spencer, transporting mail		
	and agency,	salary,	450 "
C. Flagg,	" East Brookfield,	"	300 "
H. E. Prouty,	" South "	"	300 "
A. Gilbert,	" West " furnishing		
	all labor, and agency,		
	salary,		800 "
J. F. Hitchcock,	" Warren,	salary,	300 "
W. C. Child,	" Palmer,	"	300 "
C. B. Jincks,	" Wilbraham, transp. mail,		
	and agency,	salary,	350 "
S. Mosely,	" Westfield,	"	300 "
T. S. Wade,	" Chester village,	"	300 "
T. Stevens,	" Chester Factory,	"	300 "
John F. Arwin, freight-master,	Springfield,	"	500 "
James Parker, conductor,	.	.	" 600 "
A. H. Moor,	" .	.	" 600 "
S. P. Lee,	" .	.	" 600 "
L. Carkin,	" .	.	" 600 "
Henry Gray, master-mechanic,	.	.	\$3 per day.

C.

Amount paid to the Directors on the part of the State, of the Western Rail-road, in the years 1840, 1841, 1842—by warrants issued.

1840, January 3.—Warrant in favor of Charles Hudson, Jr.	§ 51
“ March 23.—Warrant in balance of his bill,	12
1842, February 16.—Warrant in favor of Amasa Walker, his bill for services in 1840,	72
1840, July 2.—Warrant in favor of Robert Rantoul, Jr. balance his bill,	75
“ April 16.—Warrant in favor of John Howard, services in 1839, 1840,	162
1841, March 4.—Warrant in favor of Parker L. Hall, services in 1840,	240
1842, February 16.—Warrant in favor of Parker L. Hall, services in 1841,	147

[Extract from the records.]

W. M. TUFTS, *Chief Clerk.*

SECRETARY'S OFFICE, *Feb. 15, 1842.*

D.

BOSTON, Feb. 16, 1842.

GILMAN DAVIS, Esq. *Treasurer's Clerk.*

SIR,—Be pleased to give me from your books the amount paid to any of the directors on the part of the State for expenses incurred in the performance of their duties, for the years 1840 and 1841.

Respectfully yours,

J. HOWARD.

In answer to the above, I find on the books:

Paid to Parker L. Hall, Esq. . . .	\$244 62	for expenses, 1840
“ “ “ “	60 81	“ “ 1841
“ John Howard, Esq. . . .	50 00	“ “ “

which is all that have been paid to the State directors for the past two years.

Respectfully,

GILMAN DAVIS.

WESTERN R. R. OFFICE, Feb. 18, 1842.

E.

Statement of sums paid for losses by Accidents, &c.

1840.		
June 6,	Mrs. Sumner Chapin, for trunk lost,	\$90 84
Aug. 31,	A. Hunting, damage on 3 bottles medicine,	5 00
Septem.	Chauncey Chapin, damages by fire in woods,	53 37
"	" " " " " to land,	224 00
"	W Child and others, services of appraising land,	12 00
Novem.	Weeks & Briggs, damage to dry goods,	15 81
"	Mixer & Delano, damage to palm-leaf hats,	1,208 50
"	Alexander Bliss, damage by fire to land,	20 00
"	Wm. Pyncham, " " "	100 00
"	Danl. Hitchcock, " " "	10 00
"	Gad Hitchcock, " " "	28 00
"	Wm. Ball, " " "	5 00
"	Asa Flagg, " " "	125 00
"	Walter Stebbins, " " "	35 00
Dec. 22,	Michael Powers, for freight destroyed on 18th,	86 54
26,	J. G. Creigh, damage to 6 bureaus,	30 00
28,	John Sullivan, damage to groceries,	23 10
29,	S. & A. Ordway, damage to groceries,	15 64
"	Simmonds & Wallace, damage to groceries,	2 75
"	Chauncey Bradley, damage by fire from locomotive,	5 00
"	Abel Bliss, " " " "	45 00
"	Wm. Grant, services on night of 18th,	10 00
"	Wm. P. Hodgett, " " "	28 00
"	John Goodrich, refreshments &c., "	10 87
"	Pay-roll, "	100 50
"	E. G. Barker, damage by fire from locomotive,	6 44
Jan. 1841,	Wm. Brown, damage to merchandize,	21 00
"	Wm. Rood, " "	115 92
Feb'ry,	Jas. A. Greene, " "	8 55
"	G. H. Gray & Co, " "	5 00
March,	W. A. Bird & Co, " " March 5,	36 26
"	D. L. Shields, damage to land, April, 1840,	30 00

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April,	E. B. & B. Holcomb, damage to mer'ze, Dec. 18, '40,	7 00
May,	Wm. Tupper, damage by fire,	15 50
"	H. Nash & Co., damage to merchandize,	2 00
July,	G. & C. Merriam, " "	2 00
August,	Marsh & Mills, " "	2 00
"	Knowlton & Hoare, " "	12 00
Septem.	Nelson Whitman, loss of trunk,	40 00
"	Smith & Granger, damage to merchandize,	25 00
"	J. Bennett, " "	52 02
"	J. K. Mills, cotton burnt,	611 70
October,	Hampden Co. Man'g Co., damage to merchandize,	12 20
"	Dr. G. E. Seymour, surgical attendance,	3 75
"	Dr. E. Seger, " "	20 00
"	Dr. B. B. Jones, " "	62 50
"	Dr. Jonathan Steele, " "	3 00
"	Angeline E. Caldwell, damages, Oct. 5,	100 00
"	Rosetta J. Chaffee, " "	80 00
"	John W. Peirce,	10 00
"	Dr. B. B. Jones, board and attendance,	100 00
Nov.	Jeremy Warrener, "	99 62
"	Jas. Philips, " "	110 00
"	Jas. Parmenter, damages to Sarah A. Stowe,	52 00
"	Jno. J. Creigh,	72 00
"	J. M. Parsons, attendance,	4 75
"	Lyman Johnson, " "	50 00
"	Seth Mosely, " "	65 83
"	Johanna Shehan, board and attendance,	8 00
"	Wm. Cooley, " "	3 00
"	J. M. Parsons, " "	18 00
Dec.	Dwight Smith, damage to merchandize,	4 00
"	Betsey Dunham, bandbox lost,	37 50
"	L. Walker, carpet-bag lost,	25 00
"	R. Smith, bundle lost,	36 37
"	Joel B. Smith, trunk lost,	40 00
"	Stephen O. Russell, damage to son, Oct. 5,	10 00
"	Dr. J. Abbott, attendance,	42 75
"	Dr. W. A. Davis, " "	48 50
"	Reynolds & Morris, blankets furnished,	5 38
"	Marcus C. Loomis, damages,	25 00

Dec.	Timo. Sullivan, damages,	10 00
“	Josiah Abbott, Jr., “	400 00
“	Jas. Porter, “	200 00
“	Rev. S. Elliott, “	200 00
Jan'y,	Dr. J. M. Smith, attendance,	15 00
“	Mary Morrah, damages,	10 00
Feb'y,	Jno. S. Goold, “	68 50
“	Israel Lombard, for T. M. Clark,	1,500 00
Nov. & Oct.,	J. W. Peirce, damages,	460 00
“	J. Loomis, “	100 00
“	W. A. Thomson, “	30 00
“	Chas. Shaw, “	400 00
“	Jno. Baldwin, “	500 00
“	T. W. Boyd, “	200 00
Dec'r,	Dr. Jno. J. Bassett, attendance,	25 25
Feb'y,	Rev. S. Elliott, damages,	150 00
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