ANSWERS *made by the President and Cashier of the* **PRINCETON BANK,** *on the fourth of December,* 1837, *to certain interrogatories (in the order stated) propounded in the 2d section of "An Act to provide for the investigation of the condition of the banks of this State, and for other purposes." Passed by the legislature of New Jersey, on the* 11*th Nov.* 1837.

First interrogatory. What is the amount of the capital stock of your bank actually paid in?

Answer. The amount is ninety thousand dollars.—**$90,000.**

I. Is any, and if any, what amount of the capital stock of your bank is pledged as security for notes or other obligations given in payment of any instalment or instalments on said stock?

A. No part of the capital stock is now or ever has been so pledged.

I. Is any, and if any, what amount of the capital stock of your bank is pledged as security for notes discounted or held by your bank, otherwise than in the manner mentioned in the last enquiry, or for loans made by your bank?

A. There is capital stock to the amount of three thousand three hundred and ninety dollars ($3,390) hypothecated for notes discounted, but notwithstanding such hypothecation the bank has, in all cases, complied with the 10th article of the 10th section of the charter by requiring a good endorser.

I. Is any, and if any, what amount of the capital stock of your bank is the property of your bank?

A. No part is the property of the bank.

I. What amount of specie and of gold and silver bullion had your bank on hand and actually in your possession and belonging to your bank on the day of the suspension of specie payments by your bank? What amount on the first day of November, 1837? and hat is the amount at this time?

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A. The bank had on hand and actually in possession in specie on the 18th of May last, (being the day nearest to the period of the suspension of specie payments of which we have any statement of the condition of the bank) the sum of four thousand fifty-seven and 27-100 dollars, [$4,057 27. On the 26th of October last, that being the day nearest the first day of November, 1837, of which we have any statement to refer to, the bank had on hand and actually in possesion in specie, the sum of fourteen thousand sixty-six and 44-100 dollars. The bank has now on hand and actually in possession in specie, the sum of thirteen thousand eight hundred eighty-eight and 44-100 dollars. The bank has never had any bullion.

I. Has your bank taken any measures to increase your stock of specie or bullion beyond your usual amount. preparatory to this investigation? and if so, to what amount?

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A. The Bank has not. After the suspension of specie payments the bank increased its amount of specie by purchase, that it might be the better prepared for the resumption of specie payments.

I. Had your bank made any, and if any; what disposition of your specie or bullion other than in the redemption of your bills and the payment of your indebtedness since the period of the suspension of specie payments by your bank ?

A. The bank has made no other disposition of its specie.

I. What was the amount of the circulation of your bank at the period of the suspension of specie payments by your bank ? What amount on the first day of November, 1837 ? and what is the amount at this time ?

A. The circulation of the 18th of May last was eighty-one thousand seven hundred and sixty-four dollars. On the 26th of October last, it was forty-two thousand six hundred and fifty-one dollars, and it is at this time forty thousand four hundred and fifty-five dollars.

I. What is the fair valuation of all your real estate, and in what does it consist?

A. The fair valuation of all our real estated is nine thousand three hundred eight and 80-100 dollars. It consists in a banking house, including a dwelling for the cashier; and lot.

I. What is the amount of balance due to your bank from other banks? What good? What doubtful? And what bad?

A. The balance due to our bank from other banks amounts to fifteen thousand five hundred forty-eight and 82-100 dollars, all of which is good.

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A. Five thousand one hundred and seventy dollars, all of which we deem good. The bank also holds checks on other banks, &c. to the amount of fifteen hundred and seventy four and 97-100 dollars, all of which we deem good.

I. What was the amount of notes, drafts and bills of exchange discounted or held and loans made by your bank and the property of your bank at the period of the suspension of specie payments by your bank? What is the amount at this time? What good? What doubtful? And what bad?

A. The amount on the 18th of May last, was one hundred fifty-seven thousand five hundred thirty-seven and 31.100 dollars. The amount at this time is one hundred twenty-nine thousand three hundred forty-two and 39-100 dollars, all of which is considered good except two hundred and fifty dollars which is doubtful.

I. Is any, and if any, what amount of such notes, drafts, bills of exchange or loans secured to the bank by mortgage or other

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I. Is any, and if any, what amount of such notes, drafts, bills of exchange or loans secured to the bank by mortgage or otherwise on real estate?

A. Of the aforesaid sum of $129,342 39-100, seven thousand eight hundred and eighty dollars is secured by mortgage on real estate. This security is collateral only, a good endorser in all cases is required.

I. What is the amount at a fair valuation of all other property of your bank and in what does it consist?

A. Two thousand four hundred ninety-five and 88-100 dollars. It consists in bank note plates, impressions, furniture, &c.

I. What was the amount of the surplus on hand of your bank at the period of the suspension of specie payments?

A. On the 18th of May last, it was eighteen hundred thirty-six and 19-100 dollars.

I. What is the amount at this time?

A. Eighteen hundred thirty-six and 19-100 dollars. The discount and interest received at this time, is three thousand four hundred and 6-100 dollars.

I. At what rate of per centum per annum was the last dividend made by your bank?

A. At six per cent. per annum.

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A. Three hundred and eighty and 12-100 dollars. The bank has declared no dividend since the suspension of specie payments.

I. What is the amount of the balance of the profit and loss account of your bank?

A. There is no balance. (The bank keeps no separate profit and loss account.)

I. What is the amount of the current expenses of your bank since the period of the suspension of specie payments by your bank to this time?

A. The amount which has accrued since the period stated, is, as near as can be ascertained, nineteen hundred and forty dollars. The amount actually paid is $1,588 80-100.

I. What is the amount of discount and interest received by your bank during the same period?

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I. What is the amount due by your bank to public depositors?

A. Nothing is due to public depositors.

I. What is the amount due by your bank to private depositors?

A. The amount is thirty-six thousand seven hundred and four and 94-100 dollars.

I. What is the amount due by your bank to other banks and companies?

A. The amount is six thousand one hundred and forty-one 79-100 dollars.

I. What is the amount of post notes issued by your bank, and outstanding on the first day of November, 1837? And when were they payable? What is the amount now? And when are they payable?

A. The bank has never issued any post notes.

I. What is the amount of all other debts due, and to become due from your bank?

A. There are no other debts.

I. Are there any facts within your knowledge which may lead to a more full understanding of the real condition of your bank, beside such as are stated in answer to the foregoing inquiries, and if any, what are they?

A. We know of none.

RICHARD S. FIELD, President.