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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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THE STATE OF INDIANA.  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,  
November 5, 1914.

Received by the Governor, examined and referred to the Auditor of State for verification of the financial statement.

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OFFICE OF AUDITOR OF STATE,  
INDIANAPOLIS, November 18, 1914.

The within report, so far as the same relates to moneys drawn from the State Treasury, has been examined and found correct.

W. H. O'BRIEN,  
*Auditor of State.*

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NOVEMBER 18, 1914.

Returned by the Auditor of State, with above certificate, and transmitted to Secretary of State for publication, upon the order of the Board of Commissioners of Public Printing and Binding.

B. B. JOHNSON,  
*Secretary to the Governor.*

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Filed in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of Indiana, November 18, 1914.

L. G. ELLINGHAM,  
*Secretary of State.*

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ED D. DONNELL,  
*Clerk Printing Board.*

## REGISTER OF DEPARTMENT OF STATE.

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L. G. ELLINGHAM,  
Secretary of State.

H. L. CONTER,  
Deputy Secretary of State.

ERNEST LEER,  
Recording Clerk.

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Clerk.

MARY L. LESLEY,  
Stenographer.

BIENNIAL REPORT  
OF  
DEPARTMENT OF STATE.

HON. SAMUEL M. RALSTON, *Governor*:

SIR—In compliance with my official duties I herewith submit to you my report of the Department of State for the two years ending September 30, 1914.

An examination of the corporation records will disclose the fact that during the period of this report the domestic corporations greatly exceeded in number those that took advantage of the corporate laws of the State during the previous biennial period, while the amount of capital involved was less than during the latter period, and as a result the amount of the corporate fees was reduced, yet it shows that the business men of the State are fast learning to appreciate the benefits to be derived, as well as the protection afforded, by incorporating all lines of business, mercantile as well as manufacturing, under the corporate laws of the State.

The receipts from October 1, 1912, to September 30, 1914, are as follows:

Miscellaneous .....	\$26,236 75
Foreign Corporations .....	25,595 59
Domestic Corporations .....	199,654 89
Motor Vehicles .....	9,554 00
Court Reports .....	15,722 67
	\$276,763 90

For purpose of comparison the following table of receipts is appended:

Two years ending October 31, 1892 .....	\$46,000 00
Two years ending October 31, 1894 .....	76,487 20
Two years ending October 31, 1896 .....	61,125 55
Two years ending October 31, 1898 .....	54,326 30
Two years ending October 31, 1900 .....	137,154 85
Two years ending October 31, 1902 .....	187,176 31
Two years ending October 31, 1904 .....	226,131 62
Two years ending October 31, 1906 .....	288,026 50
Twenty-three months ending September 30, 1908 .....	356,502 87
Two years ending September 30, 1910 .....	252,672 08
Two years ending September 30, 1912 .....	415,124 43
Two years ending September 30, 1914 .....	276,763 90



The table below will show the total appropriations, the expenditures and the amount saved to the State and returned to the treasury:

	Total		Returned to
	Appropriations.	Expended.	Treasury.
1913 .....	\$15,370 00	\$14,558 79	\$811 21
1914 .....	15,300 00	12,861 50	2,438 50
	<u>\$30,670 00</u>	<u>\$27,420 29</u>	<u>\$3,249 71</u>

Comparison of collections and expenditures:

Total Collections .....	\$276,763 90
Expenditures .....	27,420 29
Surplus .....	<u>\$249,343 61</u>

For the conduct of the office during the fiscal years to be considered by the Sixty-ninth General Assembly, I make the following recommendations:

Salary of Secretary of State.....	\$0,500 00
Salary of Deputy Secretary of State.....	2,400 00
Salary of Recording Clerk.....	1,200 00
Salary of Stenographer and Clerk.....	900 00
Salary of Stenographer .....	900 00
Expense of Office .....	500 00
Expense of Distribution of Court Reports.....	250 00
Expense of Foreign Corporation Department and Special Recording .....	600 00
Expense of Distribution of Public Documents.....	250 00
Total .....	<u>\$13,500 00</u>

#### TABULATION OF RECEIPTS.

	Miscellaneous.	Foreign.	Domestic.	Motor Vehicle.	Court Reports.
Oct., Nov., Dec., 1912	\$2,362 25	\$891 61	\$25,186 20	\$2,175 00	\$1,309 50
Jan., Feb., Mch., 1912	3,462 70	7,258 83	45,049 40	2,241 00	1,615 50
Apr., May, June....	4,403 30	2,402 65	37,653 70	5,138 00	964 00
July, Aug., Sept....	3,815 55	2,404 56	17,801 10	.....	2,095 00
Oct., Nov., Dec.....	1,940 15	1,419 83	19,374 50	.....	2,769 50
Jan., Feb., Mch., 1914	3,497 05	6,483 71	24,049 09	.....	2,279 50
Apr., May, June....	3,523 55	3,112 32	17,660 50	.....	2,409 39
July, Aug., Sept....	3,232 20	1,622 08	12,864 50	.....	2,280 28
Totals .....	<u>\$26,236 75</u>	<u>\$25,595 59</u>	<u>\$199,654 89</u>	<u>\$9,554 00</u>	<u>\$15,722 67</u>

The last Legislature enacted an Annual Motor Vehicle Registration Law, the administration of which devolved upon the Department of State. This law is proving both popular and remunerative. During the year and a half of its existence nearly a half million dollars have been distributed to the counties of the State, to be used exclusively for the repair of im-

proved roads. If the local officers having this fund in charge will use it for the purpose for which it is intended, Indiana will soon take her place in the front ranks as having more miles of improved roads than has any other State in the Union.

We gladly recommend this law as one of value to the taxpayer, and compliment the Legislature of 1913 for enacting it. Following is the summary of receipts and expenditures in this department:

L. G. ELLINGHAM,  
Secretary of State.

*Semi-Annual Report of the Receipts and Disbursements of Moneys Received from the Registration of Motor Vehicles from July 1, 1913, to January 1, 1914:*

Receipts—

Automobile Registrations .....	\$133,814 91	
Dealer's License .....	5,179 18	
Chauffeur's License .....	2,740 01	
Motorcycle License .....	5,984 39	
Duplicates .....	1,144 75	
Transfers .....	314 00	
Interest .....	1,058 06	
		\$150,235 90

Disbursements—

Automobile and Motorcycle Plates .....	\$13,383 37	
Chauffeur's Badges .....	914 51	
Parcel Post and Postage .....	6,240 00	
Printing and Office Supplies .....	2,439 15	
Salaries .....	8,636 60	
Rebates .....	326 09	
		\$1,989 72

Net Distributed .....

	\$118,245 58
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ADAMS COUNTY.

Share first third .....	\$428 42
Share according to road mileage .....	658 53
One third net receipts from county .....	424 24
	\$1,511 19

Gross receipts from County, \$1,627.38.

ALLEN COUNTY.

Share first third .....	\$428 42
Share according to road mileage .....	419 06
One third net receipts from county .....	1,734 72
	\$2,582 20

Gross receipts from county, \$6,615.83.

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## BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY.

Share first third.....	\$428 42
Share according to road mileage.....	583 60
One third net receipts from county.....	318 71

Total due county.....	\$1,330 73
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Gross receipts from county, \$1,213.47.

## BENTON COUNTY.

Share first third.....	\$428 42
Share according to road mileage.....	649 45
One third net receipts from county.....	628 19

Total due county.....	\$1,706 06
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Gross receipts from county, \$2,393.17.

## BLACKFORD COUNTY.

Share first third.....	\$428 42
Share according to road mileage.....	356 10
One third net receipts from county.....	186 43

Total due county.....	\$969 95
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Gross receipts from county, \$705.63.

## BOONE COUNTY.

Share first third.....	\$428 42
Share according to road mileage.....	933 82
One third net receipts from county.....	419 40

Total due county.....	\$1,781 64
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Gross receipts from county, \$1,601.43.

## BROWN COUNTY.

Share first third.....	\$428 42
Share according to road mileage.....	44 80
One third net receipts from county.....	2 10

Total due county.....	\$475 32
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Gross receipts from county, \$8.01.

## CARROLL COUNTY.

Share first third.....	\$428 42
Share according to road mileage.....	561 15
One third net receipts from county.....	396 92

Total due county.....	\$1,386 49
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Gross receipts from county, \$1,513.52.