

DEFICIENCIES IN APPROPRIATIONS.

L E T T E R

FROM

THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY,

RELATIVE TO

An estimate of an appropriation required to complete the service of fiscal year ending June 30, 1873, and prior years.

JANUARY 10, 1873.—Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
Washington, D. C., January 9, 1873.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith estimates of the deficiencies in appropriations required to complete the service of fiscal year ending June 30, 1873, and prior years.

I am, very respectfully,

GEO. S. BOUTWELL,
Secretary.

Hon. JAMES G. BLAINE,
Speaker House of Representatives.

Estimates of appropriations required to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for the service of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1873, and prior years.

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	LIBRARY OF CONGRESS.							
Picture of naval vic- tory, by Powell.	Last installment due W. H. Powell for picture illustrative of some naval victory for fiscal year 1873.	Mar. 2, 1865	15	570	\$905 00	\$25,000 00	
	NOTE.—This amount was carried to the surplus-fund under the provisions of the act of July 12, 1870.							
	DEPARTMENT OF STATE.							
Publishing laws.....	Publishing laws of the second session, Forty-second Congress, in thirty-one newspapers, at \$776 each, for fiscal year 1872.	April 20, 1818 Aug. 8, 1846 Sept. 26, 1850 Mar. 31, 1866 Mar. 2, 1867 Mar. 3, 1871 May 8, 1872 Appropriated	3 9 9 14 14 16 17 17	439 75 564 352 467 480 66 43	1-9 1-2 1 1 10	24,056 00	50,000 00	
Expenses of commis- sion for survey of northern boundary for fiscal year 1873.	Expenses of commission for survey of northern boundary for fiscal year 1873. Pay of commissioner per annum for fiscal year 1874..... Commutation of personal expenses of commissioner for fiscal year 1873..... Commutation of personal expenses of commissioner for fiscal year 1874..... Pay of secretary per annum for fiscal year 1874..... Pay of clerk per annum for fiscal year 1874..... One cook, at \$50 per month, for fiscal year 1874..... Two mess-men, at \$45 per month each, for fiscal year 1874..... Subsistence of five persons, at 75 cents per diem, for fiscal year 1874..... Estimate of chief astronomer for fiscal year 1874..... Contingencies for fiscal year 1874..... Total..... Deduct for detail.....					\$4,000 00 2,190 00 2,190 00 2,000 00 1,500 00 600 00 1,080 00 1,368 37 113,159 43 3,503 20 131,591 00 6,591 00	25,000 00	50,000 00
	NOTE.—If engineer troops are detailed for the service an additional re- duction of \$28,200 may be made from the amount of this estimate.					125,000 00	.....

FOREIGN INTERCOURSE.

Diplomatic and consular war expenses in London, Paris, Berlin, and Madrid.	Diplomatic and consular war expenses in London, Paris, Berlin, and Madrid. Additional compensation to the consuls of the United States at Havre and La Rochelle for extraordinary services during the late war in Europe, to be paid from the unexpended balance remaining to the credit of this appropriation, in such sums as the Secretary of State may allow with the approval of the President.	Mar. 3, 1871	16	495				
Contingent expenses United States consuls.	Stationery, book-cases, seals, arms of the United States, presses, flags, rent, freight, postage, and miscellaneous expenses for fiscal year 1872.	Aug. 18, 1856	11	60	22		25,000 00	75,000 09
	Stationery, book-cases, seals, arms of the United States, presses, flags, rent, freight, postage, and miscellaneous expenses for fiscal year 1873.	Appropriated.	16	418				
		do	17	144			40,000 00	60,000 00
	NOTE.—For explanation of these estimates see appendix marked A.							
Texan frontier commission.	Three commissioners, at \$2,630 each. (263 days, at \$10 per diem.) fiscal year 1873	May 7, 1862	17	396	3			
	Traveling expenses of commissioners, at \$800 each, for fiscal year 1873.					7,890 00		
	Salary of secretary, at \$2,500 per annum, for fiscal year 1873.					2,400 00		
	Salary of translator, at \$2,500 per annum, for fiscal year 1873.					1,800 00		
	Contingent expenses, stationery, lights, &c., for fiscal year 1873.					1,600 00		
						1,110 00		
							15,000 00	6,000 00
	Total for Department of State						254,961 00	241,000 00
	TREASURY DEPARTMENT.							
Furniture and carpets.	Furniture, carpets, desks, tables, chairs, shelving for file-rooms, boxes, repairs of furniture, cases, oil-cloth, matting, rugs, chair covers and cushions, repairs and laying of, carpets, and other miscellaneous items for fiscal year 1873.	Appropriated.	17	69	1		15,000 00	25,000 00
	NOTE.—An explanation of the necessity for this deficiency will be found on page 19 of the regular estimates for 1874.							
	MINT, BRANCHES, AND ASSAY-OFFICES.							
	Branch mint, Carson City, Nevada.							
Salaries	Salary of coiner for fiscal year 1872	Mar. 3, 1871	16	485			2,500 00	15,400 00
	NOTE.—This deficiency arose through an error in the phraseology of the appropriation made by act of March 3, 1871, 16 Stat., page 485, by which the offices of assayer and coiner were made to read as one.							
Wages of workmen	Wages of workmen and adjusters for fiscal year 1872	Mar. 3, 1871	16	485			1,000 00	60,000 00
	Wages of workmen and adjusters for fiscal year 1873	Mar. 3, 1871	16	485			15,000 00	54,000 00
Contingent expenses	Contingent expenses for fiscal year 1872	Mar. 3, 1871	16	485			4,000 00	30,000 00
	Contingent expenses for fiscal year 1873	Mar. 3, 1871	16	485			40,000 00	17,600 00
	NOTE.—For explanation of these estimates see appendix marked B.							

Estimates of appropriations required to supply deficiencies, &c.—Continued.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT—Continued.								
<i>Branch mint, Charlotte, N. C.</i>								
Contingent expenses...	Repairs, fixtures, apparatus, chemicals, &c., for fiscal year 1870.....	Mar. 3, 1871	16	485	\$506 42	
	NOTE.—The assayer of this branch mint states that upon taking charge of the office in March, 1869, he found it so deficient in fixtures, &c., that he incurred the above expense upon the approval of his requisition on the treasurer of the mint by the Director, but that the approval was afterward withdrawn. He therefore requests that he may be re-imbursed for the money so expended.							
<i>Mint at Philadelphia, Pa.</i>								
Wages of workmen....	Wages of workmen for fiscal year 1871.....	Appropriated	16	241	1	6, 277 74	\$125, 000 00	
	NOTE.—For explanation of this item see appendix marked C.							
Deficiency in the re- demption of copper and other token-coins.	Amount required to make good to the treasurer of the Mint a loss in the redemption of 44,747,605 pieces of base coin, amounting to \$794,557.02, for fiscal years 1871 and 1872.	Mar. 3, 1871	16	580	1	4, 481 78	.....
<i>Assay-Office, New York, N. Y.</i>								
Salaries.....	Salary of deputy treasurer for fiscal year 1872.....	Appropriated	16	485	1	1, 500 00	25, 700 00	
	NOTE.—This officer is entitled to receive a salary of \$4,500, and but \$3,000 was appropriated.							
Wages of workmen....	Wages of workmen for fiscal year 1873.....	do	17	73	.....	4, 500 00	68, 000 00
Contingent expenses...	Incidental and contingent expenses for fiscal year 1873.....	do	17	73	.....	13, 000 00	22, 000 00
<i>Assay-Office, Boise City, Idaho.</i>								
Assay-office building...	Construction of assay-office for fiscal year 1872.....	Feb. 19, 1869	15	271	6	132 37	75, 000 00	

NOTE.—This amount is required for the payment of claims incurred in constructing this building, as appears by the accounts of the accounting officers of the Treasury.

TERRITORIAL GOVERNMENTS.

Territory of Arizona.

Salaries governor, judges, &c.	Balance due Isham Reavis, late associate judge, on account of his salary from January 1 to April 19, 1872, as per certificate of First Comptroller, for fiscal year 1872.	Feb. 24, 1863 June 17, 1870	12 16	665 152	2	} -----	469 78	14,000 00
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Territory of Colorado.

Salaries governor, judges, &c.	Amount due to Edward M. McCook, governor, on account of his salary from April 1 to June 30, 1870, as per certificate of First Comptroller, for fiscal year 1870.	Mar. 30, 1867	15	12	1-3	-----	197 52	11,800 00
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Legislative expenses...	Amount required to pay printing expenses for the ninth session of the legislature convened January 1, 1872, as follows: William A. Byers, printer	Mar. 30, 1867	15	12	1-3	-----	\$561 38	
	Denver Tribune Association						412 70	
	D. C. Collier, balance due for laws of ninth session						110 06	
	Printing house-journal						618 26	
	Printing council-journal, including reports of territorial auditor and treasurer, for fiscal year 1872.						1,038 24	
							2,740 64	20,000 00

Territory of Idaho.

Legislative expenses...	Amount due for articles furnished for use of legislative assembly for fiscal year 1871, as follows: Simmons, Bently & Fish	Mar. 3, 1863	12	812	11	-----	100 00	
	C. Jacobs & Co.						39 71	
	B. M. Durkell & Co						5 00	
							144 71	30,876 51

Territory of Montana.

Legislative expenses...	Amount due First National Bank of Washington, D. C., assignee of John P. Bruce, for printing, third session legislative assembly, for fiscal year 1871.	May 26, 1864	13	90	11	-----	122 50	35,800 60
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Territory of New Mexico.

Legislative expenses...	Per diem and mileage of members and officers of legislative assembly convened December 4, 1871, for fiscal year 1872.	Sept. 9, 1850	9	451	12	-----	959 85	21,000 00
	Rent of office, fuel, lights, &c., of secretary's office, for fiscal year 1873.....	Sept. 9, 1850	9	451	12	-----	1,500 00	-----

Territory of Utah.

Legislative expenses...	Current and contingent expenses of the Territory for the fiscal year 1873, no appropriation having been made for the purpose.						5,000 00	-----
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	<i>Territory of Washington.</i>							
Salaries governor, judges, &c. Legislative expenses ..	Amount due Elisha P. Ferry, governor, for salary from June 5 to 30, 1872, as per adjustment of account by First Comptroller, for fiscal year 1872.	March 3, 1857	11	185	3	\$214 28	\$14,000 00
	Public printing, session of 1871, for fiscal year 1872.....	June 29, 1866	14	77	.....	\$6,837 27		
	Rent of secretary's office from November 1, 1871, to November 1, 1872, for fis- cal year 1872.	.....	.....	.....	.....	150 00		
	Balance of bills due newspapers for fiscal year 1872 .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	100 00		
	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....		7,087 27	26,850 06
	Amount due T. F. McElroy for binding journals and statutes, session 1866-'67, fiscal year 1871.	.....	.....	.....	.....	125 00		
	Amount due Charles Prosch for printing for session 1867-'68, fiscal year 1871.	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,010 00		
	Balance due James Rogers, printing and binding laws and council and house journals, session 1869, fiscal year 1871.	.....	.....	.....	.....	425 77		
	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....		1,560 77	9,129 91
	Stationery for record-books of secretary's office for fiscal year 1873.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	200 00		
	Rent of secretary's office for fiscal year 1873.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	300 00		
	Fuel and lights for secretary's office for fiscal year 1873.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50 00		
	Messenger, 8 months, at \$50 per month, for fiscal year 1873.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	400 00		
	Printing for secretary's office for fiscal year 1873.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	100 00		
	Furniture for fiscal year 1873.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	100 00		
Postage for fiscal year 1873.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50 00			
Salary of librarian for fiscal year 1873.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	300 00			
Keeping capitol grounds in repair for fiscal year 1873.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	100 00			
Incidental expenses for fiscal year 1873.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	100 00			
NOTE.—No appropriation was made for this purpose for the fiscal year 1873.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,700 00	.....
	INTERNAL REVENUE.							
Expenses of assessing and collecting.	Compensation and actual and necessary traveling expenses of internal-reve- nue gaugers for fiscal year 1873.	June 6, 1872	16	244	14	900,000 00		

NOTE.—No estimate or appropriation has heretofore been made for the above objects. Gaugers' fees were paid, prior to August 1, 1872, by distillers and owners of distilled spirits.

Compensation of internal-revenue store-keepers for fiscal year 1873.....	June 6, 1872	16	244	14	600,000 00	1,500,000 00	4,700,000 00
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NOTE.—When the estimates for the current fiscal year were made, the proprietors of internal-revenue bonded warehouses were required by law to re-imburse the salaries paid to store-keepers by the United States, and the amounts thus re-imbursed were required to be carried to the credit of the appropriation from which they were paid. Since August 1, 1872, those re-imburements have ceased under the provisions of section 14, act June 6, 1872, and no provision was made in the estimates for the current fiscal year for the deficiency thus occasioned.

COAST SURVEY.

Survey of the Atlantic and Gulf coasts.

Survey of the Atlantic and Gulf coasts for fiscal year 1872.....	Appropriated.	16	508	.....	.....	61 26	391,000 00
Survey of the Atlantic and Gulf coasts for fiscal year 1873.....	do	16	508	.....	.....	20,000 00	391,000 00

NOTE.—The Superintendent of United States Coast Survey states that the increased expenditures of parties in the field, consequent upon the general increase of prices, will leave insufficient means to take full advantage of the months of May and June, which are best adapted for work on the eastern section of the coast.

Survey of the western coast.
Geodetic surveying....

Survey of the western coast for fiscal year 1872	do	16	508	.....	.....	1,702 83	240,000 00
Extending the triangulation of the Coast Survey to form a geodetic connection between the Atlantic and Pacific coasts of the United States for the fiscal year 1872.	do	16	508	.....	.....	64 66	15,000 00

NOTE.—The disbursing-agent of the Coast Survey states, in explanation of the excess of expenditures over the amounts appropriated, that it is impossible for him to determine whether the expenditures at the various stations of the Coast Survey will exceed the appropriations until all the vouchers have been received at the office of the Coast Survey in this city.

LIGHT-HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT.

Salaries of light-house keepers.
Expenses of buoyage..

To pay 77 keepers of light-houses for fiscal year 1873.....	May 23, 1828	4	284	4	}	46,200 00	439,200 00
	March 2, 1867	14	425	.....			
	Appropriated.	17	356	1				
To replace buoys already lost, and to meet emergencies that may arise, for fiscal year 1873.	do	17	356	1	100,000 00	275,000 00	

NOTE.—For explanation of these estimates see appendix marked "D."

Total Treasury Department.....	1,797,624 38	7,152,357 08
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WAR DEPARTMENT.								
OFFICE OF QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL.								
Contingent expenses...	Stationery, office-furniture, repairs, &c., for the fiscal year 1873.....	Appropriated.	17	79	1	-----	\$2,000 00	\$5,000 00
	NOTE.—The appropriation for contingent expenses for the current fiscal year is barely sufficient to pay for the stationery consumed in the transaction of public business, leaving only a small amount to pay for light, carpets, repairs to furniture, and the other necessary expenses connected with the proper care of the building and the records therein, and the comfort and convenience of the occupants. New carpets, oil-cloths, mattings, &c., are required.							
MILITARY ESTABLISHMENT.								
<i>Quartermaster's Department.</i>								
Regular supplies.....	Fuel for officers, enlisted men, guards, hospitals, store-houses, and offices for fiscal year 1872.	May 22, 1812 Revised Army Regulations, 1863, p. 159.	2	743	3	}-----	300,000 00	4,300,000 00
	Forage for the horses, mules, and oxen of the Quartermaster's Department at the several posts and stations, and with the armies in the field, and for horses of the several regiments of cavalry and batteries of artillery, and such companies of infantry and scouts as may be mounted, and for the authorized number of officers' horses, including bedding for the animals, for fiscal year 1872.	March 28, 1812 July 17, 1862 Revised Army Reg., p. 159, par. 1064.	2 12	696 594	3 2			
	Straw for soldiers' bedding for fiscal year 1872.....	March 28, 1812	2	696	3			
	Stationery, including blank-books for the Quartermaster's Department, certificates of discharged soldiers, blank forms for the Pay and Quartermaster Departments, and for the printing of division and department orders and reports for fiscal year 1872.	March 28, 1812 Jan. 31, 1868 Revised Army Reg., p. 159, par. 1064.	15	246	8			

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	Straw for soldiers' bedding for fiscal year 1873.					500,000 00	4,000,000 00
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Incidental expenses....	Consisting of postage and telegrams or dispatches received and sent on public business, extra pay to soldiers employed under the direction of the Quartermaster's Department in the erection of barracks, quarters, store-houses, and hospitals; in the construction of roads and other constant labor, for periods not less than ten days, including those employed as clerks at division and department headquarters, and hospital-stewards on clerical duty; expenses of expresses to and from the frontier posts and armies in the field; of escorts to paymasters and other disbursing officers, and to trains, where military escorts cannot be furnished; expenses of the interment of officers killed in action, or who die when in duty in the field or at posts on the frontier or other places, when ordered by the Secretary of War, and of non-commissioned officers and soldiers: authorized office-furniture; hire of labor in the Quartermaster's Department, including the hire of interpreters, spies, and guides for the Army; compensation of clerks for officers of the Quartermaster's Department; compensation of forage and wagon masters; for the apprehension, securing, and delivering of deserters, and the expenses incident to their pursuit; and for the following expenditures required for the several regiments of cavalry, the batteries of light artillery, and such companies of infantry and scouts as may be mounted, viz: the purchase of traveling-forges, blacksmiths' and shoeing tools, horse and mule shoes and nails, iron and steel for shoeing; hire of veterinary surgeons; medicines for horses and mules; picketropes; and for shoeing the horses of the corps named; also, generally, the proper and authorized expenses for the movement and operations of the Army not expressly assigned to any other Department, for fiscal year 1872.	March 2, 1819 Aug. 4, 1854 March 16, 1802 July 13, 1866 Revised Army Reg. 1863, p. 159, par. 1065. March 3, 1813 July 5, 1838 March 28, 1812 Decision of the Sec. of War of Aug. 30, 1871, as to allowances of extra-duty pay to hospital stewards on clerical duty.	3 10 2 14	488 576 132 93	1 6 21 7		
			2 5 2	820 257 696	8 10 3	200,000 00	1,225,000 00

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	Revised Army Regulations, 1863, p. 159, par. 1065.							
	Mar. 3, 1813	2	820	8				
	July 5, 1838	5	257	10				
	Mar. 28, 1812 Decisi'n of the Secretary of War of Aug. 30, 1871, as to allowances of extra duty pay to hospi- tal-stewards on clerical duty.	2	696	3				
Army transportation...	Transportation of the Army, including the baggage of the troops, when moving either by land or water; of clothing, camp, and garrison equip- age, from the depots at Philadelphia and Jeffersonville to the several posts and Army depots, and from these depots to the troops in the field; of horse equipments and of subsistence stores from the places of purchase and from the places of delivery, under contract, to such places as the cir-							

	<p>cumstances of the service may require them to be sent; of ordnance, ordnance stores, and small arms, from the founderies and armories to the arsenals, fortifications, frontier posts, and army depots; freights, wharfage, tolls, and ferriages; the purchase and hire of horses, mules, oxen, and harness, and the purchase and repair of wagons, carts, and drays, and of ships and other sea-going vessels, and of boats required for the transportation of supplies and for garrison purposes; for drayage and cartage at the several posts; hire of teamsters; transportation of funds for the Pay and other disbursing Departments; the expense of sailing public transports on various rivers, the Gulf of Mexico, the Atlantic, the Pacific; for procuring water at such posts as from their situation require that it be brought from a distance; and for cleaning roads, and for removing obstructions from roads, harbors, and rivers, to the extent which may be required for the actual operations of troops in the field, for fiscal year 1872.</p>	<p>Mar. 3, 1813 Jan. 31, 1862 Revised Army Regulati'ns, p. 159, par. 1064, and p. 163, par. 1096.</p>	<p>2 12</p>	<p>817 334</p>	<p>5 4</p>	<p>600,000 00</p>	<p>4,000,000 00</p>
	<p>Transportation of the Army, including the baggage of the troops, when moving either by land or water, of clothing, camp, and garrison equipage, from the depots of Philadelphia and Jeffersonville, to the several posts and Army depots, and from those depots to the troops in the field; of horse equipments and of subsistence stores from the places of purchase, and from the places of delivery, under contract, to such places as the circumstances of the service may require them to be sent; of ordnance, ordnance stores, and small-arms from the founderies and armories to the arsenals, fortifications, frontier posts, and Army depots; freights, wharfage, tolls, and ferriages; the purchase and hire of horses, mules, oxen, and harness, and the purchase and repair of wagons, carts, and drays; and of ships and other sea-going vessels, and of boats required for the transportation of supplies and for garrison purposes; for drayage and cartage at the several posts; hire of teamsters; transportation of funds for the Pay and other disbursing Departments; the expense of sailing public transports on various rivers, the Gulf of Mexico, the Atlantic, and the Pacific; for procuring water at such posts as from their situation require that it be brought from a distance; and for cleaning roads and for removing obstructions from roads, harbors, and rivers, to the extent which may be required for the actual operations of the troops in the field, for fiscal year 1873.</p>	<p>Mar. 3, 1813 Jan. 31, 1862 Revised Army Regulati'ns, p. 159, par. 1064, and p. 163, par. 1096.</p>	<p>2 12</p>	<p>817 334</p>	<p>5 4</p>	<p>500,000 00</p>	<p>4,000,000 00</p>
Barracks and quarters.	<p>Rent or hire of quarters for troops, and for officers on military duty; of store-houses for safe-keeping of military stores; of offices; of grounds for camps and cantonments, and for temporary frontier stations; for construction and repair of temporary huts, of stables and other military buildings at established posts, and for repairs of buildings occupied by the Army, for fiscal year 1873.</p>	<p>Revised Army Regulations, page 159, par. 1066.</p>				<p>250,000 00</p>	<p>1,250,000 00</p>
Clothing and equipage.	<p>Purchase and manufacture of clothing, camp and garrison equipage, and for preserving and repacking stock of clothing, camp and garrison equipage, and materials on hand at the Schuylkill arsenal and other depots, for fiscal year 1873.</p>	<p>May 18, 1826 Revised Ar- my Regula- tions, page 159, par. 1064.</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>173</p>	<p>1</p>	<p>130,000 00</p>	<p>770,000 00</p>
Stoves	<p>Heating and cooking stoves, for use in quarters, barracks, hospitals, offices, chapels, school-rooms, and camps of the Army, for fiscal year 1873.</p>	<p>March 28, 1812</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>696</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>10,000 00</p>	<p>10,000 00</p>

NOTE.—For explanation of these estimates see appendix marked E.

Estimates of appropriations required to supply deficiencies, &c.—Continued.

General object. (Title of appropriation.)	Detailed objects of expenditure and explanations.	Date of acts, resolutions, or treaties authorizing or providing for the ex- penditures.	References to Stat- utes at Large.			Estimated amount which will be required for each detailed object of ex- penditure.	Total amount to be appro- priated under each head of appropriation.	Amount previously appro- priated for the year for which this deficiency is asked.	
			Vol.	Page.	Sec.				
WAR DEPARTMENT—Continued.									
<i>Pay Department.</i>									
General expenses, Pay- master-General's Of- fice.	Postage on letters and packages, and telegrams received and sent by officers of the Army on public business; the additional compensation of judge-advocates, recorders, members, and witnesses, while on court-martial service, and the traveling expenses of paymasters' clerks, for fiscal year 1872.	Jan. 29, 1813	2	794	14	}	\$6,000 00	\$100,000 00	
		Army Regu- lations of 1863, par. 1065.							
	Postage on letters and packages received and sent by officers of the Army on public service; cost of telegrams; compensation of citizen-witnesses attending upon courts-martial, military commissions, courts of inquiry, and traveling expenses of paymasters' clerks, for fiscal year 1873.	July 15, 1870	16	320	24	}	75,000 00	100,000 00	
		Jan. 29, 1813	2	794	14				Army Regu- lations of 1863, par. 1065.
Mileage, Paymaster- General's Office.	Allowances made to officers of the Army for transportation of themselves and their baggage when traveling on duty without troops, escort, or supplies, for fiscal year 1873.	July 15, 1870	16	320	24	}	70,000 00	240,000 00	
		July 13, 1866	14	93	8				
		July 15, 1870	16	320	24				
NOTE.—For explanation of these estimates see appendix marked F.									
<i>Signal service.</i>									
Observation and report of storms.	Expenses of the manufacture, purchase, or repair of meteorological and other necessary instruments for telegraphing reports; for expenses of storm-signals, announcing the probable approach and force of storms; for instrument shelters; for hire, furniture, and expenses of offices maintained for public use in cities or posts receiving reports; for maps, bulletins, &c., to be displayed in chambers of commerce and boards of trade rooms, and for distribution to agricultural, scientific, and other associations; for books and stationery; and for incidental expenses not otherwise provided for, for fiscal year 1873.	Feb. 9, 1870	16	369	12	}	88,800 00	250,000 00	
		March 3, 1871	16	507	1				
NOTE.—For explanation of this estimate see appendix marked G.									

<i>Medical and Hospital Department.</i>							
Medical and Hospital Department, (transfer fund.)	To enable the Secretary of the Treasury to settle the accounts of disbursing officers for expenditures already made in pursuance of law, which will not involve any actual expenditure, but merely a transfer on the books of the Treasury, for which reason the amount asked for is not included in the totals, \$75,000.	March 3, 1869	15	314	1	-----	-----
<i>Miscellaneous.</i>							
Freedmen's Bureau, (transfer fund.)	To enable the Secretary of the Treasury to settle the accounts of disbursing officers and agents for expenditures already made under orders of superior officers, which will not involve any actual expenditure, but merely a transfer on the books of the Treasury, for which reason the amount asked for is not included in the totals, \$75,000.					-----	-----
NOTE.—For explanation of this estimate see appendix marked H.							
Total War Department						2,831,800 00	21,450,000 00
INTERIOR DEPARTMENT.							
Salaries, office of Secretary of Interior.	One clerk of class four; three clerks of class three; two clerks of class two; five clerks of class one; three copyists, at \$900 each; two messengers, at \$840 each; and three laborers, at \$720 each, for the latter half of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1873.	Appropriated.	17	74			10,970 00 47,540 00
Contingent expenses, office of Secretary of Interior.	Expenses of packing and distributing official documents, for fiscal year 1873.	do	17	74			2,000 00 12,000 00
NOTE.—For explanation of this estimate see appendix marked I.							
PUBLIC LANDS.							
Salaries, office of surveyor-general of Idaho.	Surveyor-general, for fiscal year (prior to) 1871.....	June 29, 1866	14	77	1		10 87 2,500 00
NOTE.—The act of June 29, 1866, fixed the salary of the surveyor-general at \$3,000 per annum. The sum of \$2,500 had been submitted for his salary for the fiscal year prior to the same being fixed by Congress at \$3,000, and as the estimate made was not sufficient to meet his salary, the deficiency was thus created.							
Salaries, office of surveyor-general of Oregon.	Clerks in his office, for fiscal year 1870.....	Sept. 27, 1850	9	496	2		161 91 6,500 00
NOTE.—This estimate is submitted in order to pay a balance due William Gale, clerk, the deficiency being caused by the inadequacy of the appropriation for the fiscal year 1870. The public service demanded the service of the force at that time.							
Salaries office of surveyor-general of Washington Territory.	Clerks in his office, for fiscal year 1870	Mar. 3, 1855	10	674	26		68 94 6,500 00
NOTE.—This estimate is submitted in order to pay a balance due F. A. Hinds, draughtsman, the deficiency being caused by the inadequacy of the appropriation for the fiscal year 1870. The public service demanded the service of the force at that time.							

Estimates of appropriations required to supply deficiencies, &c.—Continued.

General object. (Title of appropriation.)	Detailed objects of expenditure and explanations.	Date of acts, resolutions, or treaties authorizing or providing for the ex- penditures.	References to Stat- utes at Large.			Estimated amount which will be required for each detailed object of ex- penditure.	Total amount to be appro- priated under each head of appropriation.	Amount previously appro- priated for the year for which this deficiency is asked.
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INTERIOR DEPARTMENT—Continued.								
Salary recorder of land- titles in Missouri.	Recorder of land-titles in Missouri, for fiscal year 1872	Mar. 2, 1805	2	326	3	\$500 00
	Recorder of land-titles in Missouri, for fiscal year 1873	Mar. 2, 1805	2	326	3	.....	500 00	.....
NOTE.—An estimate of \$500 was submitted for the year 1872, as well as one of like amount for the fiscal year 1873, but Congress failed in both instances to make an appropriation. The deficiency is thereby created.								
Contingent expenses, office of surveyor-gen- eral of California.	Rent of office, fuel, books, stationery, and other incidental expenses, for fiscal year 1873.	Mar. 3, 1852	10	245	2	.....	480 04	\$7,000 00
NOTE.—The organic act authorizes \$11,000, (<i>vide</i> United States Laws, vol. 10, p. 245.) The sum of \$6,000 was estimated, but was reduced by Congress to \$4,000, thereby causing the deficiency. All of the above amounts were formerly submitted to Congress, excepting \$500 for salary of recorder of land-titles for fiscal year 1873, but Congress failed to make appropriation.								
INDIAN AFFAIRS.								
Fulfilling treaty with Menomonees.	Being an amount erroneously carried to the surplus fund, for fiscal year 1871.	July 12, 1870	16	554	.....	.....	210 40	32,958 12
MISCELLANEOUS.								
Penitentiary building in Wyoming Terri- tory.	Being amount of deficiency in the proceeds of internal revenue set apart for this purpose, for fiscal year 1871.	July 15, 1870	16	314	.....	.....	13,196 77	20,000 00
	NOTE.—For explanation of this estimate see appendix marked J. Total Interior Department	28,098 93	134,998 12
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.								
Purchase and distribu- tion of valuable seeds.	Being an amount erroneously carried to the surplus fund, for fiscal year 1871.	Appropriated.	16	216	.....	.....	2,180 92	30,000 00
NOTE.—For explanation of this estimate see appendix marked K.								

		DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE.					
Expenses of United States courts.	Defraying expenses of the Supreme Court and circuit and district courts of the United States, including the district of Columbia; and also for jurors and witnesses; and likewise for defraying the expenses of suits in which the United States are concerned, and prosecuting offenses committed against the United States, and for the safe-keeping of prisoners, for fiscal year 1872.	Appropriated.	16	498	1	300,000 00	2,000,000 00
		JUDICIAL.					
Salaries of United States district judges.	District judges, for fiscal year 1872		16	44	1	1,693 87	189,825 00
			17	215	8		
	NOTE.—The acts above quoted authorized the appointment of additional judges and the retirement of certain judges, but made no appropriation for the payment of their salaries; hence the necessity of this estimate.						
Salaries of justices, &c. Supreme Court of the United States.	Associate justices Supreme Court, fiscal year 1873	April 10, 1869	16	44	1	4,000 00	80,000 00
	NOTE.—For explanation of this estimate see appendix marked L.						
	Total judicial					5,693 87	269,825 00
		RECAPITULATION.					
	Congress					905 00	25,000 00
	Department of State					254,961 00	241,000 00
	Treasury Department					1,797,624 38	7,152,357 08
	War Department					2,831,800 00	21,450,000 00
	Interior Department					28,098 93	134,998 12
	Department of Agriculture					2,180 92	30,000 00
	Department of Justice					300,000 00	2,000,000 00
	Judicial					5,693 87	269,825 00
	Grand total					5,221,264 10	31,303,180 20

APPENDIX A.

Explanation of estimates for contingent expenses of United States consuls.

The legitimate expenditures on account of this appropriation require a sum nearly equal to \$100,000 in each fiscal year to cover them.

A list of the amounts appropriated, with references to the volume and page of the Statutes at Large, are given here to show the general character of the appropriations since 1857.

Fiscal years.	Amount.	Statutes at Large.	Purpose of appropriation.
1857.....	\$15,000	Volume 11, page 28.....	Miscellaneous expenses consuls
1858.....	50,000 11,900 23,500	Volume 11, page 159..... Volume 11, page 160..... .....do.....	Do. Preservation of archives. Rent.
	85,400		
1859.....	40,000 27,370	Volume 11, page 311..... .....do.....	Miscellaneous expenses consuls. Rent.
	67,370		
1860.....	40,000 22,370	Volume 11, page 403..... .....do.....	Miscellaneous expenses consuls. Rent.
	62,370		
1861.....	30,000 27,370	Volume 12, page 20..... .....do.....	Miscellaneous expenses consuls. Rent.
	57,370		
1862.....	30,000 27,370	Volume 12, page 171..... .....do.....	Miscellaneous expenses consuls. Rent.
	57,370		
1863.....	45,000 27,370	Volume 12, page 335..... .....do.....	Miscellaneous expenses consuls. Rent.
	72,370		
1864.....	45,000 41,890	Volume 12, page 638..... .....do.....	Miscellaneous expenses consuls. Rent.
	86,890		
1865.....	60,000 50,000	Volume 13, page 138..... .....do.....	Miscellaneous expenses consuls. Rent.
	110,000		
1866.....	55,000 50,000	Volume 13, page 422..... .....do.....	Miscellaneous expenses consuls. Rent.
	105,000		
1867.....	50,000 45,000	Volume 14, page 224..... .....do.....	Miscellaneous expenses consuls Rent.
	95,000		
1868.....	50,000 45,000	Volume 14, page 413..... .....do.....	Miscellaneous expenses consuls. Rent.
	95,000		
1869.....	30,000 45,000	Volume 15, page 56..... .....do.....	Miscellaneous expenses consuls. Rent.
	75,000		

Explanation of estimates for contingent expenses of United States consuls—Continued.

Fiscal years.	Amount.	Statutes at Large.	Purpose of appropriation.
1870.....	\$80,000	Volume 15, page 319.....	Miscellaneous expenses and rent.
1871.....	60,000 15,000 75,000	Volume 16, page 220..... Pamphlet Laws, page 123.....	Miscellaneous expenses and rent. Deficiency.
1872.....	60,000 15,000 25,000 100,000	Volume 16, page 418..... Pamphlet Laws, page 123..... Asked.	Miscellaneous expenses and rent. Do.
1873.....	60,000 40,000 100,000	Pamphlet Laws, page 144..... Deficiency asked.	Miscellaneous expenses and rent.
1874.....	100,000	Asked.	

Though the number of consulates which under the law are entitled to an allowance for rent and miscellaneous expenses had increased, the amount provided by Congress for the service of the year 1871 was reduced. Deficiencies naturally followed. These miscellaneous expenses of consuls are necessarily incurred in obedience to the regulations prescribed by the President under the 22d section of the act of August 18, 1856. So long as the law exists authorizing these expenditures, it seems equitable that an amount sufficient to cover them should be made. If the fees collected by consuls and turned into the Treasury could be applied to the purpose, there would be almost sufficient to defray all the expense of the consular service. On the 176th page of the finance report for 1871, it is stated by the Fifth Auditor that the excess of fees over salaries, and loss by exchange, amounted to \$147,619.59, enough to largely overbalance any expenditure on account of miscellaneous expenses. The cost of the service to the people of the United States is small when the value of the commercial interests protected and customs revenue saved is considered.

By the operation of the law of July 12, 1870, these deficiencies of appropriations are developed, and as the law forbids the employment of the money appropriated for the service of one year for the service of another year, the drafts of consuls on account of miscellaneous expenses must be dishonored whenever the annual appropriation is insufficient to cover all the authorized expenses. To complete the service of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1872, \$25,000 is required, and to complete the service of the current year \$40,000 will be required.

APPENDIX B.

*Explanation of estimates for deficiencies in appropriations for branch mint, Carson City, Nevada.*UNITED STATES BRANCH MINT,
Carson City, Nevada, October 8, 1872.

SIR: The regular appropriation for the support of this branch mint for the fiscal year ended 30th June, 1872, was as follows:

For salaries.....	\$17,900 00
For wages.....	54,000 00
For ordinary expenses.....	17,600 00
Total.....	89,500 00

This was supplemented, during the last session of Congress, by a deficiency appropriation, as follows:

For wages.....	\$6,000 00
For ordinary expenses.....	12,400 00
	18,400 00
Making in all.....	107,900 00

These appropriations combined were insufficient for the expenses of this branch-mint, and I was obliged to incur expenses in excess of them—

For wages.....	\$1,000 00
For ordinary expenses.....	4,000 00
	5,000 00

The amount appropriated for the current fiscal year is the same as the regular appropriation for 1871-'72, viz: \$89,500. This appropriation is based upon the business of preceding years, amounting to less than one million of dollars per year.

In 1871 the business of this branch-mint began to increase, and has continued until it has reached nearly a million per month, while the appropriation has not been increased at all. The appropriation has, therefore, become entirely inadequate to meet the expenses incident to the large increase of business, and the expenses for the present fiscal year will be in excess of the appropriation as follows:

For wages.....	\$15,000 00
For ordinary expenses.....	40,000 00
Total.....	55,000 00

I have most respectfully to request that you will secure an appropriation for these amounts, in all \$60,000, in the deficiency appropriation at the approaching session of Congress.

In connection with this application I have the pleasure of stating that our earnings (transferable to the Treasury of the United States) during the current fiscal year, estimated on the results of the last three quarters' operations, will not be less than \$80,000.

Very respectfully,

H. F. RICE, *Superintendent.*

Hon. GEORGE S. BOUTWELL,
Secretary of the Treasury.

APPENDIX C.

Explanation of deficiency appropriations required for Mint at Philadelphia.

MINT OF THE UNITED STATES,
Philadelphia, January 8, 1873.

SIR: I have respectfully to request that you recommend to Congress the appropriation of \$6,277.74, to adjust my account for ordinary expenses of the United States Mint for the quarter ending June 30, 1871.

There was appropriated for the year for wages of workmen \$125,000; there was paid upon warrant \$131,277.74; the difference, \$6,277.74, was disallowed, as being contrary to law.

I was aware of the act approved June 12, 1870, and was duly informed of its requirements in my capacity as Assistant Treasurer of the United States. Receiving no similar communication in my capacity as treasurer of the Mint, I was induced to believe that the appropriations for the Mint were "indefinite," and therefore excepted under the proviso to the fifth section of the said act. I consulted the Director of the Mint and found such was his view.

I send herewith a copy of the letter of Comptroller Taylor, dated August 8, 1871, together with a copy of the circular of July 13, 1871, therein referred to.

Very respectfully,

GEO. EYSTER,
Treasurer United States Mint.

Hon. GEORGE S. BOUTWELL,
Secretary of the Treasury, Washington, D. C.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
First Comptroller's Office, Washington, July 13, 1871.

SIR: By the provisions of the fifth, sixth, and seventh sections of the act of July 12, 1870, it is declared to be unlawful to expend in any one fiscal year any sum in excess of appropriations made by Congress for that fiscal year, and unexpended balances are required to be carried to the surplus fund.

To carry into effect these provisions of law, annual statements of your accounts for compensation and disbursements must be made.

The account to the 30th ultimo should embrace all compensation earned and all expense

incurred up to and including that date, so that no charges for services performed or articles purchased prior to the 1st instant shall appear in subsequent accounts. If you have already forwarded your account to the close of the fiscal year ending June 30 ultimo, and any bills incurred during that year are still outstanding, they should be at once paid and forwarded with a special account to the proper accounting officer. And if any suspensions made during the year are still outstanding awaiting explanation which you can make, please submit the explanations as soon as possible.

Upon the adjustment of your final account to the 30th June, you will be instructed what disposition to make of any unexpended balance, which is not to be carried into any subsequent account.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

R. W. TAYLER,
Comptroller.

APPENDIX D.

Explanation of estimates for appropriation for expenses of buoyage.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
Office of the Light-House Board, Washington, October 29, 1872.

SIR: I have the honor to state that in the summer of 1870 the Light-House Board estimated that \$439,200 would be needed during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1873, to pay the salaries of 732 light-house keepers, at \$600 per keeper, that being the amount authorized by law. Since those estimates were laid before you, a number of new light-houses have been built, and a larger number of those at the South which were partially destroyed during the rebellion have been reconstructed, so that 77 keepers more than were actually estimated for are now actually in the employ of the Light-House Establishment.

The appropriation for the payment of light-keepers' salaries will not, therefore, be sufficient for this fiscal year, and hence I have to ask that you will recommend to Congress that \$46,200 (being the amount required to pay the new keepers at the rate provided by law) be appropriated in the deficiency bill for this purpose.

I also beg leave to submit a copy of a letter of the board to the department, dated 9th January, 1872, in which you were requested, for reasons therein stated, to obtain in the deficiency bill then pending an appropriation of \$50,000 for expenses of buoyage for that fiscal year. This appropriation, though asked for by you, was not granted by Congress. The result is that although but one-third of the fiscal year has passed, only one-half of the appropriation remains, while the worst part of the season is to come. The board is of the opinion that at least the amount asked for in the above-mentioned letter is absolutely necessary to enable the establishment to replace the buoys already lost; and that double that amount would be no more than sufficient to enable the board to meet new emergencies as they may arise. I therefore have to ask that you will recommend to Congress that they make an appropriation of \$100,000 for expenses of buoyage for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1873, in the deficiency bill.

So large a sum would not be required at this time but for the fact that while the board stated in its estimates last year that \$300,000 was needed, Congress appropriated only \$275,000, notwithstanding the statement that this estimate for expenses of buoyage had been made upon the closest calculations of the needs of the service.

In addition to the foregoing it should be stated that the last winter was one of the most boisterous and severe that has been known in the records of the meteorology of the country, and the percentage of loss of buoys, instead of being as usual, was three times that of any previous season. The board, however, has not allowed this important branch of the service to suffer on account of the deficiency, but has considered itself justifiable in supplying this unprecedented loss of buoys from the reserved supply, which experience has shown it is necessary to have on hand. But this supply it is absolutely necessary should be replenished, in order that in case of an emergency of the same kind the board may have the same resort.

I may further add that the appropriation made last year was only sufficient to meet the average percentage of loss without allowing anything for keeping up the continually increasing demand for a reserve supply.

The board has struggled for two years to keep up the buoy service on scanty appropriations, and now, in order that its fidelity to the important trusts confided to it may not be justly brought into question, and the censure that it has received from shipping interests for shortcomings not within its power to remedy may not be longer continued, I beg leave to earnestly solicit your attention to the above-mentioned facts.

Very respectfully,

JOSEPH HENRY,
Chairman.

Hon. GEORGE S. BOUTWELL,
Secretary of the Treasury.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE LIGHT-HOUSE BOARD,
Washington, January 9, 1872.

SIR: I have the honor very respectfully to report for your consideration the fact that there may be a deficiency in the appropriation for the current fiscal year on account of the expenses of beacons and buoys.

At the commencement of the last session of Congress a deficiency of \$100,000 was reported on account of that appropriation, growing out of the facts, 1st, that for several years past the appropriations for that branch of the Light-House Establishment service were reduced below the estimates \$25,000; and, 2d, the act of July, 1870, rendered unavailable any funds that might not be expended at the close of the fiscal year for the purchase of, or contract for, buoys and their fittings, to supply losses by ice, freshets, &c. Of the amount of \$100,000 asked for then but \$50,000 was granted, and at the last session, by, as it is believed, a clerical error, the appropriation for the buoy service for the current year was \$25,000 less than the estimates.

Under these circumstances, and in consideration of the great loss of and damage to the buoys during the recent very cold weather, it is respectfully submitted that it would be but prudent to obtain in a deficiency bill from Congress, "for expenses of raising, cleaning, painting, repairing, removing, and supplying losses of buoys, spindles, and day-beacons, and for chains, sinkers, and similar necessaries," \$50,000.

Very respectfully,

JOSEPH HENRY,
Chairman.

HOD. GEORGE S. BOUTWELL,
Secretary of the Treasury.

APPENDIX E.

Explanation of estimates for appropriations required by the Quartermaster-General.

WAR DEPARTMENT,
Washington City, January 4, 1873.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith estimates of appropriations required to supply deficiencies in certain appropriations for the service of this Department for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1872, and June 30, 1873. I would respectfully urge that they may be laid before Congress at your earliest convenience, as some of the appropriations which they are designed to replenish are entirely exhausted.

The amounts asked for the service of the Quartermaster's Department for the current fiscal year equal the reductions made by Congress in the estimates submitted by this Department, and it is believed that no smaller sums will suffice to complete the service of the year, as they have been brought down to the lowest figure, and will provide only for the actual necessities of the Army. The estimates submitted by the Paymaster-General and Chief Signal-Officer are fully explained by their letters, which accompany the estimates, and to which I would respectfully invite your attention.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

WM. W. BELKNAP,
Secretary of War.

The honorable the SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

WAR DEPARTMENT,
QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL'S OFFICE,
Washington, D. C., December 13, 1872.

SIR: I have the honor to inclose a statement showing the balances in Treasury, undrawn, of the appropriations for the service of the Quartermaster's Department in the years 1871-'72 and 1872-'73; also the appropriations for 1872-'73.

Of this last year five and a half months have now elapsed. The balances of these appropriations are reduced so low that, unless additional appropriations are made, there is reason to apprehend that the Army will suffer.

There are also bills for services and supplies of 1871-'72, principally forwarded from distant stations, which the appropriations of that year will not meet.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

M. C. MEIGS,
Quartermaster-General.

The n. SECRETARY OF WAR.

APPENDIX F.

Explanation of estimates required by the Pay Department.

PAYMASTER-GENERAL'S OFFICE,
War Department, Washington, October 19, 1872.

SIR: I have the honor to submit herewith an estimate of additional appropriation for general expenses required by this department for the service of the fiscal year ended June 30, 1872.

There is no balance in the Treasury to the credit of the original appropriation, and balances, on account thereof, in the hands of paymasters, fall far short of the amount due upon vouchers awaiting payment for lack of funds.

The deficiency of \$6,000 in this appropriation is due to the nature of expenditures, which renders an exact estimate in advance almost impossible.

The estimate of this deficiency is based upon the aggregate amount of vouchers known to be in the hands of paymasters awaiting funds for payment, and a reasonable allowance for such claims as may not yet have been presented.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

BENJ. ALVORD,
Paymaster-General, U. S. A.

The Hon. SECRETARY OF WAR.

PAYMASTER-GENERAL'S OFFICE,
War Department, Washington, December 17, 1872.

SIR: I have the honor to submit herewith an estimate of additional appropriations for "mileage" and "general expenses" required by this department for the service of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1873.

The deficiency in these appropriations is due to the nature of the expenditures, which renders an exact estimate in advance almost impossible; mileage and cost of telegrams depending mainly on the amount of Indian difficulties, and exigencies of court-martial service, which can, of course, never be accurately foreseen.

It is proper, however, to add that the appropriation for "mileage," in the act of June 6, 1872, is \$80,000 less, and the appropriation for general expenses \$50,000 less, than was called for in the estimates from this department.

I inclose herewith the report of the remarks of Mr. Dickey (of the Committee on Appropriations) on 31st May, 1872, in which he gave warning that the reduction made might lead to a deficiency bill at this session.

This estimate is based upon the following figures:

	Mileage.	General expenses.
Expended during first half of fiscal year, July 1 to December 31, 1872, (15 days in December estimated).....	\$155,000	\$87,500
Estimated required for second half of fiscal year, January 1 to June 30, 1873.....	155,000	87,500
Total required for service of the year.....	310,000	175,000
Appropriated for service of the year.....	240,000	100,000
Additional appropriation required for service of the year.....	70,000	75,000

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

BENJ. ALVORD,
Paymaster-General, U. S. A.

The Hon. SECRETARY OF WAR.

Remarks of Mr. Dickey on the Army appropriation bill, May 31, 1872.

[From the Congressional Globe.]

MR. DICKEY. Mr. Speaker, I will state the general result of the conference. The House and the Senate committees have agreed to all matters in dispute on the Army appropriation bill, save and except the appropriation of \$200,000 for Fort Leavenworth. Although against the report of the Committee on Appropriations the House decided the matter, yet the managers on the part of the House did not feel justified in yielding the point to the Senate.

I will state further, that the conference report reduces the total amount of appropriations in the bill about three hundred and fifty thousand dollars; that is, it reduces to that amount

on the bill as originally reported. And I state this fact in order to put the Committee on Appropriations, the War Department, and the House of Representatives in their proper positions should there be a deficiency bill next year. We believe the reduction of the appropriations on the part of the Senate will hardly meet the exigencies of the public service. If the Senate should be right, and we should be mistaken, I should be happy, but if they should be mistaken, it is only right we should put ourselves on record thus in advance.

APPENDIX G.

Explanation of estimates for observation and report of storms.

WAR DEPARTMENT, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF SIGNAL-OFFICER,
DIVISION OF TELEGRAMS AND REPORTS FOR THE BENEFIT OF COMMERCE,
Washington, D. C., December 10, 1872,

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith estimate for additional appropriation required for the observation and report of storms, by telegraph and signal, for the benefit of commerce and agriculture throughout the United States, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1873.

The attention of the honorable the Secretary of War is invited to the fact that it has been impossible to provide, in anticipation, for the extended scope of the duties authorized by the act of Congress approved June 10, 1872, after the estimates for the year had been submitted for contingencies of payments for telegraphic services varying in extent, and whose amounts could not be definitely settled or known in advance, and for the increased rates allowed as equitable. In view of the decisive action of Congress on all papers appertaining to this Bureau, during previous sessions, it has seemed to be the intention that the service should be pressed to results and should not fail; and in view of a responsibility extending not only to property but to life, and affecting all classes of interests, the department has been unwilling that disaster should happen for want of action on its part. The law has seemed to require it should take all necessary steps to obtain full reports and to give reliable information. The developments of the service during the present year, have thus required expenditures which could not be certainly foreseen, and for which it was impossible to provide with such information as was in the possession of the Bureau at the time the original estimates were prepared.

I am, sir, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

ALBERT J. MYER,

Brigadier-General and Chief Signal-Officer of the Army.

The Hon. SECRETARY OF WAR,
Washington, D. C.

APPENDIX H.

Explanation of estimates for "transfer accounts" of Freedmen's Bureau.

In view of your decision as contained in an indorsement on the communication of this Office of the 5th instant as to whether certain "transfers" might not be made out of the appropriation of \$100,000 made for the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands by an act of Congress approved June 10, 1872, I have the honor to request that you will estimate for an appropriation of \$75,000 in favor of the Bureau aforesaid, to be known as a "transfer account."

This course seems imperatively necessary in order to a final settlement of a large number of accounts of disbursing officers and agents who, under superior authority, made payments on account of the Bureau out of money drawn from other appropriations, and whose accounts are now suspended in this Office, and must remain so suspended until provisions are made for their payment.

The aggregate of these accounts is now about thirty thousand dollars, and, doubtless, as much more will be disclosed in the further examination of accounts in this Office.

Very respectfully,

ALLAN RUTHERFORD.

Third Auditor.

Hon. WM. W. BELKNAP,
Secretary of War, Washington, D. C.

APPENDIX I.

Explanation of estimates for salaries Interior Department.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

Washington, D. C., December 5, 1872.

SIR: I have the honor to submit, for the consideration of Congress, the following statement relative to the clerical force in the office of the Secretary of the Interior:

The force now employed (which has not been materially augmented since I assumed the duties of Secretary) consists of 28 clerks of the various classes, 3 copyists, 3 messengers, 2 assistant messengers, and 6 laborers; in all, 42 employés, whose annual compensation amounts to \$55,780; while the force provided for by the legislative, executive, and judicial appropriation act approved May 8, 1872. (Pamphlet Laws United States, page 74.) consists of but 17 clerks, 1 messenger, 2 assistant messengers, and 3 laborers; in all, 23 employés, for whose annual compensation the sum of \$33,840 is thereby appropriated. It thus appears that there are 19 persons now employed in this office in excess of the number provided for by law, and that their compensation, amounting annually to the sum of \$21,940, has been necessarily paid from other appropriations than that made for the clerical force thereof.

This increase of force has gradually grown up under my predecessors commensurately with the increasing business of the office, until, at present, the number of employés required for the prompt transaction of business is nearly double the number required ten or fifteen years ago. The growth of the country, during the past decade, has compelled a large addition to the clerical force of this Department, while the force provided for this office has not been proportionately increased.

The third section of the act of March 3, 1853, provides "that each head of the said Departments may alter the distribution herein made of the clerks among the various Bureaus and offices in his Department, if he should find it necessary and proper to do so." (United States Statutes, vol. 10, page 211.)

Under this provision of law, which, I believe, has never been repealed, my predecessors have, from time to time, been compelled to detail clerks from the several Bureaus of the Department for duty in the Secretary's office, in order to keep pace with the rapid growth of public business. The force now employed has, therefore, grown with the growth of the Department, and its present number is consequently no greater than is actually required for the proper disposal of business coming before it.

The following table shows the number and classification of those employés whose compensation is provided for by law, and of those who are paid from other appropriations, as well as of the entire force employed, viz:

Classification.	Allowed by law.	Paid from other appropriations.	Total employés.
Fourth-class clerks	9	1	10
Third-class clerks	3	3	6
Second-class clerks	4	2	6
First-class clerks	1	5	6
Copyists		3	3
Messengers	1	2	3
Assistant messengers	2		2
Laborers	3	3	6
Total	23	19	42

To provide for the compensation, during the latter half of the current fiscal year, of the nineteen employés who have been paid from other appropriations than that for this office, I have the honor to submit an estimate of appropriations required to supply the deficiency, amounting to \$10,970.

I earnestly hope that this sum will be appropriated; this office, wherein their whole duties are performed, should be justly chargeable with their compensation; besides, the Bureaus from which they were detailed complain of insufficient clerical force, and, consequently, of the apparent injustice of such details.

A deficiency also exists in the appropriation for expenses of packing and distributing official documents. At the last session of Congress an estimate for this service, amounting to \$7,000, was submitted, but the sum of \$5,000 only was appropriated. An estimate of appro-

priations required to supply the deficiency, amounting to \$2,000, is, therefore, respectfully submitted. This sum is actually necessary for the purposes named, and I trust the same will be appropriated.

I am, sir, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

C. DELANO,
Secretary.

APPENDIX J.

Explanation of estimate for penitentiary building in Wyoming Territory.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
Washington, D. C., December 7, 1872.

SIR: On the 29th ultimo I had the honor to invite your attention to the necessity of providing, in the pending deficiency appropriation bill, for the payment of the balance due Livingston & Schram, under their contract with this Department, for the erection of penitentiary buildings in Wyoming Territory.

At the time said contract was made, in April last, it was supposed by this Department that the net proceeds of internal revenue in said Territory would amount to a sufficient sum to insure full payment thereunder. It appears, however, that the net proceeds aforesaid do not amount to the necessary sum.

As this Department has not been officially informed of the exact deficiency in such proceeds, I am unable to submit an estimate for the required amount.

The penitentiary was finished on the 21st of October, and there is yet due the contractors the sum of \$18,750.

They are suffering for want of the money, and they should, justly, be paid as soon as possible.

I am, sir, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

B. R. COWEN,
Acting Secretary.

The Hon. SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

APPENDIX K.

Explanation of estimate for distribution and purchase of valuable seeds, Agricultural Department.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,
Washington, November 18, 1872.

SIR: I have the honor to request that there be added to the estimates of appropriation, to cover deficiencies in the several Departments of the Government, the sum of \$2,180.92, to cover a deficiency in this Department, which occurred in the following manner, to wit: Large quantities of seeds were purchased in London during the fiscal year 1871 by my predecessor, (Commissioner Capron,) and he refused to pay the full amount of the bill, claiming that the prices charged in many cases were exorbitant. He however paid, on account, the larger part of the claim, holding in reserve a sufficient amount (\$2,180.92) of the appropriation for that fiscal year to pay the balance when a final settlement should be made. Thus the matter stood when I assumed the duties of Commissioner. I have made repeated efforts to effect an amicable settlement of the matter, and very recently succeeded, receiving the necessary vouchers therefor. On application to the Treasury Department I learned, to my surprise, that the funds that had been reserved for the payment of this claim had been covered into the Treasury to the credit of the surplus fund. I therefore desire a re-appropriation of this amount to liquidate this debt.

Very respectfully,

FREDERICK WATTS,
Commissioner of Agriculture.

Hon. GEORGE S. BOUTWELL,
Secretary of the Treasury.

APPENDIX-L.

Explanation of estimate for salaries of judges, &c., Supreme Court.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
FIRST COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, January 28, 1873.

SIR: The retirement of Mr. Justice Nelson, of the Supreme Court, and the appointment of Mr. Justice Hunt, will occasion a deficiency in the appropriation for salaries of the judges of that court for the current fiscal year, to meet which an additional appropriation of \$4,000 will be required.

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Very respectfully,

R. W. TAYLER,
Comptroller.

HON. GEO. S. BOUTWELL,
Secretary of the Treasury.



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