BEN HOLLADAY.

May 3, 1882.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House and ordered to be printed.

Mr. CROWLEY, from the Committee on Claims, submitted the following

REPORT:

[To accompany bill H. R. 6091.]

The Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 6091) for the relief of Ben Holladay, submit the following report:

This claim has been pending before Congress ever since January, 1866. Favorable reports have been repeatedly made. In the last Congress, the Senate Committee on Claims, after an exhaustive examination, during which they heard the testimony of more than thirty witnesses, reported that Holladay was fairly and equitably entitled to the sum of \$526,739, but the amount was reduced by the Senate to \$100,000. No action in regard to the claim was taken in the House, and Mr. Holladay declined to accept \$100,000 as a full satisfaction thereof, even though it should be appropriated for that purpose.

The claim has again been heard and investigated by the Senate Committee on Claims in the present Congress, and also by your committee; and your committee, after devoting considerable time and much consideration to the evidence and to the arguments for and against the allowance of the claim, have concluded to adopt as their own the report made to the Senate by Mr. Cameron, chairman of the Senate Claims Committee of the present Congress, allowing only the sum of \$320,153, in favor of Mr. Holladay as full compensation and settlement of his entire demand.

Senator Cameron's report appears to us to be fully sustained by the proofs, and sound in its conclusions, and we, therefore, report the accompanying bill as a substitute for the one referred to your committee (H. R. 551) and recommend its passage. We annex hereto Senator Cameron's report and its appendixes.

[Senate Report No. 403.—Forty-seventh Congress, first session.]

The Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the memorial of Ben Holladay, praying compensation for spoliations by Indians on his property while carrying the mails of the United States, and for damages and expenses incurred in consequence of the changing of his mail route in compliance with military orders, and for property taken and used by the military forces of the United States, having had the same under consideration, submit the following report:

From the evidence taken in this case it appears— First. That Ben Holladay was the contractor for carrying the overland mail in 1861 from the Missouri River to Salt Lake City, at the rate of \$450,000 a year; that from July 2, 1862, to September 30, 1864, he paid to the Pacific Mail Steamship Company \$75,000 a year for carrying printed matter, leaving him \$375,000; that from October 1, 1864, to November 13, 1866, he received at the rate of \$365,000 a year.

Second. That in the performance of this service he usually employed about 110 coaches, 1,750 horses and mules, and 450 men, not including persons engaged in the repair of coaches, wagons, and harness, nor agents, clerks, and other employés in the offices at New York and San Francisco. That he erected houses and stables necessary at 120 stations, for the use and convenience of passengers, employés, and animals; that he had as many as 150 wagons, and 420 oxen and cows, for the purpose of supplying food and forage, all of which involved an outlay of more than two millions of dollars.

Third. When the original contract was made for carrying the overland mail, in 1860, we were at peace with all the Indian tribes along this route. As a matter of fact, nearly the whole Army of the United States was posted in that country for the purpose of preventing or putting down any possible Indian outbreak. In 1861 most of the soldiers were withdrawn, leaving small garrisons, far apart, and wholly inadequate to protect this line. Upon the removal of the troops, seven or eight warlike tribes of Indians, who had been repressed by the presence of the Army, suddenly attacked the stations on about 500 miles of the line, murdered agents and drivers, captured and drove away great numbers of horses and mules, burned buildings, wagons, coaches, large quantities of forage and provisions, and other property, all of which, in order to carry out his contract, he was compelled to rebuild and replace at great expense. That the Indians, for many miles on each side of the line, set fires that consumed the

grass, greatly increasing thereby the cost of forage.

Fourth. That during these Indians depredations, the line being unprotected by soldiers, Mr. Holladay, knowing that he was in great danger of losing all that he had invested, besides incurring obligations beyond his power to meet, came to Washington and made known the situation to President Lincoln and the Postmaster-General. He was assured by the President that it was a political necessity that the mails should be carried; that a line of communication must be kept open across the continent, for the reason that Confederate cruisers had already rendered communication by sea unsafe, and that under no circumstances, and for no reasons, should the overland mail route be abandoned. The President also assured him that soldiers would be furnished sufficient for his protection, and that Mr. Holladay could rely implicitly upon the honor and justice of the government to reimburse him for all the losses he might incur. The President also advised him to keep an accurate account of his losses, so that he might at the end of his contract substantiate his claims. Relying upon the statement of the President, upon the justice of the government, seeing the necessity for carrying the mail, and for keeping a communication open with the Pacific coast, Mr. Holladay, careless alike of loss and danger, carried the mails, rebuilt the stations as soon as humand restorked the line as often as peacesery, and fulfilled his contract.

careless alike of loss and danger, carried the mails, rebuilt the stations as soon as burned, restocked the line as often as necessary, and fulfilled his contract. Fifth. That it became necessary to remove the route from the North Platte, and Sweetwater or South Pass, to that known as Bridger's Pass, along the Laramie Plains, then known as the Cherokee Trail. That this change of route was made in accordance with military orders. That he was compelled to abandon a large number of his stations and buildings, together with a considerable amount of his supplies. That on making such change he erected new stations at great expense, under great difficulties, and exposed to great danger. That he changed the route for at least five hundred miles of the line, and that the change involved the abandonment of old stations and the building of new, the construction of roads and bridges, and the loss of much val-

uable property.

Sixth. It also appears that Mr. Holladay was obliged to remove from the Platte River route, to the so-called Cut-off route, by order of Colonel Chivington, by which removal he sustained great damages, not only by the abandonment of his property, but by a lengthening of his line.

Seventh. That large quantities of his hay, grain, and other provisions were taken for the use and service of the government troops and agents, for which no compensa-

tion was ever made.

Eighth. In 1866, on the 24th of January, the claim of Mr. Holladay to be reimbursed for his losses incurred, was referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs of the House of Representatives. Mr. Holladay asked that his case might be passed upon by the Court of Claims, the two houses of Congress disagreeing as to the proper relief to be granted; pending which, Congress adjourned. On the 6th of March, 1872. Mr. Holladay again presented his petition to the Senate, setting forth his contract and his losses, and again asking that he be reimbursed. That petition was referred to the Committee on Claims, and on the 26th day of November, 1877, the committee reported a bill authorizing Mr. Holladay to bring suit in the Court of Claims. That report was accompanied by twenty-three affidavits, together with letters from several military officers, including Colonel Chivington, Generals Craig and Mitchell, and others, establishing the facts set forth in the petition. But inasmuch as the testimony was exparte, the committee thought best to refer the whole matter to the Court of Claims. On the 12th

of March, 1878, the bill being under consideration, the Senate refused to send the case to the Court of Claims, but recommitted it to the committee, with instructions to report to the Senate what amount, if any, was equitably due the claimant. The committee proceeded to take the testimony of witnesses acquainted with the facts, and after an investigation of the claim, including the examination of more than thirty witnesses, reported that Mr. Holladay was fairly and equitably entitled to the sum of \$526,739. It will thus be seen that this claim has been examined by three committees, consisting of nine members each, and that these committees have reported in favor

of its payment.

Ninth. After a careful examination of all the testimony in this case, your committee is of opinion that the memorialist, Holladay, is equitably entitled to compensation. Your committee find that in the summer of 1862, in consequence of Indian hostilities, about 500 miles of the main line of claimant's route was so damaged and infested by Indians as to compel its abandonment by the claimant, under the orders of the Post-Office Department and of the officers in command of the military forces sent to protect the overland mail. That he was forced to select a route further south, involving the establishment of a new line, for a distance of over 500 miles, and distant from the old line from 100 to 300 miles. That this removal was an absolute necessity, as it was not possible to carry the mail by the old route, "except," according to the testimony of General Craig, "with the consent of the Indians themselves." And, further, that the claimant was assured not only protection but indemnity for his losses, by the President of the United States.

Your committee also find that the removal thus mentioned involved the abandonment of twenty-six mail stations, a large amount of forage, and many articles of value necessary to the running of the stages. That the memorialist was compelled to construct new stations on the new line, twenty-five in number, at large expense, sustaining, by such removal from the old line, damages, in the opinion of your committee, to the extent of \$77,000. (See Appendix A for details.)

Your committee further find that, in pursuance of a military order of Col. J. M. Chivington, commanding the District of Colorado, the memorialist was compelled to remove the stage line from the Platte River route, to the Cut-off route, being forced to abandon some of his stations on 140 miles of the road, and to remove twelve others to the new road, and to rebuild the same at great loss and expense. That the testimony tends to show that the damage to the memorialist by the removal to this line under the order of Colonel Chivington, rendering necessary, as it did, the transfer of houses, barns, hay, grain, and other articles, and rebuilding necessary structures on the new line, amounted to about \$50,000. (See Appendix B for details.)

Your committee also find from the testimony that a large amount of hay, provis-

ions, and other property belonging to the memorialist, was taken and used from time to time, by the military forces of the United States scattered along the route of the new line. That large quantities of wood belonging to the stations were taken and appropriated by the soldiers, and several houses and stables destroyed and used by them for fuel, for none of which were vouchers given. That the testimony on this claim tends to show that the value of the property thus taken and destroyed by the military forces was in the neighborhood of \$30,000. (See Appendix C for details.)

Your committee further report that the evidence shows that the damages sustained by the memorialist while carrying the mails of the United States, by reason directly of depredations and hostilities of Indiaus along his route, was \$369,739, which sum, added to the other sums above found, makes a total of \$526,739, as the damages sustained by the memorialist in the discharge of his duties in carrying the mails of the

United States. (See Appendix D for details.)
Your committee refer for full details to the report made by this committee June 13,

While your committee is satisfied that the claimant is equitably entitled to the sum mentioned in said report, and that he sustained losses to that amount, it has been deemed best to take into consideration only the losses sustained by the said claimant during the existence of the contract expiring October 1, 1864; a doubt existing in the minds of some of the committee as to whether claimant is equitably entitled to be reimbursed for losses sustained by Indian depredations under the second contract, as the testimony shows that the promises of the President and Postmaster-General to the effect that the claimant should be reimbursed, and the orders of the War Department, applied only to the first contract.

Your committee report in favor of paying the losses incurred by Indian depredations during the existence of the first contract, namely, to the 1st day of October, 1864. The evidence shows such losses, together with the dates, up to the 1st day of August, 1864, amounting to \$163,153. The evidence then shows only the amount from August to January, to wit, \$57,467.32; and consequently it is a matter of doubt as to how much

loss was incurred before October 1.

Taking into consideration the fact that most of the Indian depredations, according to the testimony, were committed in the summer and fall, your committee think they might fairly allow half of said amount, but on account of the uncertainty of the time when these losses happened your committee exclude them entirely.

Your committee also report that the losses of claimant arising from the removal of the route from the North Platte and Sweetwater to Laramie Plains and Bridger's Pass were \$77,000; and that the removal from the Platte River to what was known as the "Cut-off," involved an expense and loss amounting to at least \$50,000.

Your committee also report that the amount taken, used, and destroyed of the property of the claimant, by the soldiers of the United States for the use of the United States, amounted to at least \$30,000; making an aggregate of \$320,153, to which, in

the judgment of your committee, the said claimant is equitably entitled.

It should not be forgotten that the services of the claimant were of the highest importance to the whole country, and that it would be hard to overestimate the magnitude of the undertaking, the obstacles overcome, or the ability, perseverance, and courage that were necessary to success.

Your committee therefore report the accompanying bill, and recommend that it do

pass.

APPENDIX A.

The cost of removal from the North Platte and Sweetwater or South Pass route, to the route through Bridger's Pass, along Laramie Plains and Bitter Creek, sometimes called the Cherokee trail, or Butes Creek route, and the damages incident to it, is shown by the affidavit of Col. Isaac E. Eaton (p. 12) in the printed copies of evidence. He was superintendent of the Overland Mail line under Holladay, in 1862, when the Indian raids, detailed in his evidence, were perpetrated. He states that Holladay was compelled to abandon 26 stations, worth \$2,000 each, and a large amount of forage, and other articles of value, necessary to the running of the line, of the amount of which he could form no true estimate; but Holladay, who had to pay for supplies to replace those lost on the old line, and abandoned, under the enforced removal, states (p. 64 of printed evidence) that the sum of \$25,000 would not cover these losses.

Under the circumstances, the line being changed in the face of hostile savages, it must be apparent that no exact computation could be made of the various articles of equipment existing necessarily at each of the twenty-six abandoned stations, as the removal was a retreat in the face of a vigilant and dangerous foe, in the midst of actual hostilities, and under the apprehension of destruction to the lives of the employés. There could have been no time for anything like taking account of the articles left behind. The hostile attitude of the savages is abundantly proven by General Craig, who stated that the line could only have been kept up "by consent of the Indians; and the removal ordered was a wise measure in all respects." (P. 57 of printed evidence.) David Street, an officer of the line (p. 54 of printed evidence), testifies to the abandonment of a great deal of valuable property, owing to the hasty manner of the removal; and also that the stations abandoned were of a substantial character, all of them; and that the one at Horse Shoe Creek, which was a supply-station, was a blacksmith shop, coach and harness shop, warehouses, lodging-houses, offices, and corrals, of the most substantial nature, erected at heavy outlay.

APPENDIX B.

The cost of removal from the Platte River route to the so-called Cut-off route, by order of Colonel Chivington, is shown by the evidence (p. 60) of George K. Otis, who

gave instructions for it, as he was then acting as superintendent of the line.

He states that he made an estimate of the cost—knowing the number of teams necessary, the distance to haul, as well as an estimate of the loss of grain and hay in removal—and that he is well satisfied that it did cost \$50,000; fully that, if not more.

David Street (p. 54 of the evidence) sustains Otis in the statement he makes, that

the line was subjected to heavy losses in consequence of the removal.

The evidence of the claimant is to the effect that he objected to removal, stating to the military officer that winter was on him, the stations then supplied, the grain-sacks emptied into bins, and the sacks sent off to be filled again, fuel procured, &c.; and that the stations had to be pulled down, hauled, and put up again; all which he represented to that officer.

Edward F. Hooker (p. 51 of evidence) states that, in his opinion, the loss of hay

and grain, and putting up new stations, the labor of removal, &c., would cost not

under \$5,000 a station.

George H. Carlyle (p. 42 of evidence) stated that the sum of \$50,000 for removing the station, and the loss in grain and hay and corrals, and wood, &c., was not too great. His evidence is very full on the subject, and minutely describes the process of removing stations, and the distance for removal from 25 to 60 miles.

William Reynolds, superintendent of the line (p. 23 of the evidence), also states matter of importance in regard to the damage by removal, showing the nature of the removal, its incident, and extent of work necessary to accomplish the act.

APPENDIX C.

The damages sustained by the claimant for grain, fuel, hay, &c., used by the military forces in the line of the claimant in the Territory of Colorado, is proven by Carlyle (p. 41 of the evidence). He states that the military forces took at one time twenty-nine head of oxen from the line at Fort Kearney, worth \$100 a head; and one hundred cords of wood at Julesburg, worth \$50 a cord, and that from what he knew to have been destroyed and used by the soldiers, he did not consider \$30,000 an overestimate of the damage inflicted by the military on the line of the claimant, and that when a receipt for anything used was wanted it was refused. He stated that they were in the behit of going to stations and exiting whetever was wanted by them grain or prohabit of going to stations and getting whatever was wanted by them, grain or provisions, until to stop the raids a military order was procured, and that this damage was done between October, 1864, and December, 1865.

David Street (p. 54 of the evidence) also gave evidence that the line was subjected

to serious losses in consequence of damage done and property taken by the United

States soldiers.

Then George K. Otis states (p. 60 of the evidence) that he made the estimate of the damages done by the military forces to the property of the claimant, and that he made the estimate of \$30,000 after consultation with the division agents and men employed on the stage-line; that no record could be kept of the property taken or used, or what was eaten up and consumed; but from the number of troops constantly passing up and down the road, he was satisfied that at least \$30,000 would be required to indem-

nify the claimant.

William Reynolds (p. 23), superintendent of the line from October, 1864, to March, 1866, stated that large amounts of grain and hay and wood were consumed by the military forces on the line, the property of claimant, while he was superintendent of the

line, and several houses and stables used for fuel and other purposes.

APPENDIX D.

I.

The Indian depredations on the stage-line of the claimant, as established by the evidence, appear as follows:

A. D. 1863. 173 horses and 34 mules, near Fort Halleck, page 4, printed evidence of R. L. Pease, total value	
II.	
Loss at 3-Crossings Station:	
April 16, 1862. 22 mules and horses, at \$225 each	4,950 00 1,100 00
3 head oxen, at \$50 each	150 00
April 17, 1862. 9 head mules, at \$200 each	
9 sets 4-horse harness, at \$110 each	990 00
Damage to two coaches	
	9,490 00
At Plant Station:	
April 18, 1862, 5 mules, at \$200 each	1,000 00
4 horses, at \$225 each	900 00
20 sets 4-horse harness, at \$110 each	2,200 00
April 20, 1862. 10 mules, at \$200 each	2,000 00
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At Ice Spring Station:	40.000	
April 23, 1862. 10 mules, at \$200 each. 5 sets 4-horse harness, at \$110 each.	\$2,000 550	
1 cow and ox, at \$50 each	100	
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	2,650	00
At Strawberry Station:		-
May 23, 1862. 35 sacks barley, 3,500 pounds, at 15 cents per pound	525	00
At Upper Crossings Sweet Water:	080	00
18 sacks barley, 1,800 pounds, at 15 cents	270	00
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Damage done to stations at 3-Crossings, Sweet Water, Split Rock, and Ice Springs, each \$500		00
To establish the damages above claimed, reference is made to the evidences, division agent (p. 5 of evidence); R. Murray, employé (p. 6 of same).		w-
III.		
Loss at Sweet Water Bridge: April 18, 1862. 8 mules and horses, at \$200 each	Ø1 000	00
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At Horse Creek Station: Mar. 23, 1862. 5 horses, at \$175 each	875	
18 mules, at \$225 each	4,050	00
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April 1, 1862. 15 mules and horses, at \$125 each.	0 001	00
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At Platte Bridge Station:	1,000	00
At Platte Bridge Station: March, 1862. 13 mules, at \$150 each	1,950	00
	5, 625	00
To prove the loss above claimed, reference is made to the evidence of		
division agent (p. 7 of evidence.		
IV.		
Loss at Big Sandy Station:		-
Loss at Big Sandy Station: April, 1862. 18 mules, at \$225 each 4 horses, at \$225 each	\$4,050 900	
1 4-horse harness	110	
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At Green River Station:	4 500	00
April, 1862. 100 sacks barley, 10,000 pounds, at 15 cents 50 sacks oats, 5,000 pounds, at 15 cents	1,500 705	
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This is proven by Babcock (p. 8 of evidence).	No.	
VI.		
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Loss at Dry Sandy Station: Mar. 15, 1862. 2 mules, at \$200 each	400	00
At Green River Station:		
April 20, 1862. 5 horses, at \$200 each	1,000	
6 sets harness, at \$20 each	120 600	
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April 20, 1862.	480 empty sacks, at 60 cents each	\$288	
	damage done to station	600	00
		2,608	00
	At Die Gondy Station		-
June 7, 1862.	At Big Sandy Station: 4 mules, at \$200 each	900	00
(IG)	20 sacks oats, at \$5 each	100	
	3 tons hay, at \$30 per ton	90	
	damage to station	500	00
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	At Muddy Station:		
June 12, 1862.	4 mules, at \$200 each	800	00
	At Bear River Station:	200	00
	2 horses, at \$100 each damages to station at Pacific Springs, Dry Sandy, and Little	200	00
	Sandy, at \$500 each	1,500	00
		2,500	00
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	At Little Sandy Station: 30 sacks oats, at \$5 per sack	150	00
To establis	h the losses above, reference is had to the evidence of J. E	Broml	AV.
division agen	t (pages 8 and 9 of the same printed evidence).	, Diom.	~37
	VII.		
	At Split Rock Station:		
Mar. 1, 1862.	10 mules, at \$200 each	\$2,000	
	1 horse, at \$200	200 240	
Mar 30 1862	12 sets single harness, at \$20 each	1,400	
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April 18, 1862	At Rocky Ridge Station: 6 mules, at \$200 each	1,200	00
To prove th	nis loss, reference is made to the evidence of W. A. Reid, div 111 of evidence).	ision ag	ent
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	At Wells Station:		
April 20, 1862.	2 horses, each at \$150	\$300	00
This loss is	established by the evidence of Johnson (p. 11 of evidence).		
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Angust 1864	Loss at Midway Station: Dishes and furniture destroyed	500	00
August, 1004.	At Platte Station:	300	00
	4 horses, at \$350 each. 250 sacks corn, 28,000 pounds, at 20 cents each	1,400	00
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	10 tons of hay, at \$40 per ton	400	00
		7,900	00
	At Plum Creek Station: 250 sacks corn, 28,000 pounds, at 20 cents per pound	5,600	. 00
	At Craig Station:	0,000	00
	250 sacks corn, 28,000 pounds, at 20 cents per pound	5,600	00
	29 head of oxen, at \$100 each	2,900	
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The evidence to prove these losses consists of the proof made by George W. Carlyle and Solomon Riddle (pages 13, 14, 15, 16, of the printed evidence, reported).

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August, 1864.	Losses at Diamond Springs: 250 sacks corn, 28,000 pounds, at 20 cents	\$5,600 600	
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	At Sand Hill Station: 250 sacks corn, 28,000 pounds, at 20 cents	5, 600 600	
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	At Alkali Station: 250 sacks corn, 28,000 pounds, at 20 cents	5, 600 800	
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	At Elk Horn Station: 65 sacks corn, 7,280 pounds, at 20 cents	1, 456 400	
		1,856	00
	At Cold Spring Station: 20 sacks corn, 4,480 pounds, at 20 cents 15 tons hay, at \$40	896 600	
		1,496	00
	At Gilman's Station: 30 sacks corn, 3,360 pounds, at 20 cents	672 672	
	15 tons hay, at \$40	600	
		1,944	00
August, 1864.	At Willow Island: 50 sacks corn, 5,600 pounds, at 20 cents	1, 120 400	
W		1,520	00
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July 16, 1864.	Loss at Junction Station: 5 stage-horses, \$250 each	1 250	00
	At Beaver Creek: 1 horse, at \$250	250	00
August, 1864.	1 horse	250	00
		1,750	00
	are shown by the evidence of Thomas (page 21 of evidence am Trotter (page 36).), and e	vi-
August 12, 18	Liberty Farm: 64. Coach burnt up	\$1,200	00
Sept., 18	Elkhorn: 64. Station burned	3,500	00
		4,700	00

XI.

August, 1864	Losses at Summit Station: Station, furniture, and bedding destroyed	\$2,500	00
	Furniture, crockery, and stores destroyed	2,500	00
		5,000	
	At Little Blue Station: Furniture and grain destroyed	2,000 400	00
	All the second s	2,400	00
	At Pawnee Ranch: 4 horses, \$200 each	800	
	1,500 pounds corn, 12 cents	180	
		980	00
	At Lone Tree Station: Station destroyed	1,000 1,800 1,000	00
		3,800	00
	At Liberty Town: 2 sets double harness, \$110 each At Summit Station:		
	200 bushels corn, 11,200 pounds, at 12 cents	1, 344	00
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	0 tons hay, \$50	\$500	00
1	15 tons hay, \$50	750	00
	5 tons hay, \$50	250	00
7	Rock Bluff: 7 tons hay, \$50	350	00
	Sunday Sulf - Anna M		
	received a second property of the second sec	1,850	
	At American Ranch:		
Jan., 1865. 8	B horses, \$250	2,000	
2	2 sets 4-horse harness, \$110 each	220 500	
Ê	8 head of oxen, \$100 each	5,800	
	and a street of	8,520	00
	At Antelope Station:		==
Aug., 1864, to			
	House, barn, and corral burned	5,000	
, , ,	25 tons hay, at \$50	1, 250 2, 800	
1	20 Sacks corn, 14,000 pounds, at 20 cents		
		9,050	00
	At Spring Hill:		
Ho	uses, barns, and furniture destroyed	6,000	
20	tons hay, at \$50 sacks corn, 10,080 pounds, at 22 cents	1,000 2,217	
90	sacks corn, 10,000 pounds, at 22 cents	2, 211	00
		9, 217	60
	At Dennison Station:		
Ba	rn and corral burned	2,500	
25	tons hay, at \$50	1, 250 4, 928	
200	sacks corn, 22,400 pounds, at 22 corns cach		
	the party of the same water of the same and	8,678	
	At American Ranch:	-11-	
Ba	rn destroyed, burned	1,500	
30	tons hay, at \$50	1,250	
227	sacks corn, 25,424 pounds, at 22 cents	5, 593	00
2000		8,593	00
	RECAPITULATION.		
		A	
	B head of horses	\$41,400	
1802, Th	ree-Crossings Stationant Station	9, 490 6, 100	
, Ice	Springs Station	2,650	
Str	rawberry and Upper Crossings	795	00
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	reetwater and Horse Creek	6, 525	
	d Buttesg Sandy	5, 625 5, 060	
	een River	2, 250	00
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	een River	2,608	00
Big	g Sand	1,490 2,500	
	ttle Sandy		00
Sp	lit Rock Station	4,000	00
Ro	ck Ridge Station	1,200	
W	ells Station	300	00

Aug., 1864.	Midway and Platte Station Plum Creek and Craig Station Testimony of G. H. Carlyle Junction Beaver Creek and Lupton Summit Little Blue Pawnee, Lone Tree, Liberty Town, and Summit Liberty Farm and Elkhorn	\$7,900 14,100 25,216 1,750 13,744 4,700	00 00 00
	Printer's error in previous report, price per sack should be \$15 in place of \$5 (100 lbs., 15 c.), as per testimony of J. E. Bromley	161, 453 1,700	
		163, 153	00
	Amount of losses to October 1, 1864	163, 153	00
	amounts to one-half	28,723	66
	States troops 30,000 00	157, 000	00
		348, 876	66