

SUPPLEMENTAL DEFICIENCY ESTIMATES.

LETTER

FROM

THE ACTING SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY,

TRANSMITTING

*Supplemental estimates of appropriations required by the various Departments to complete the service for the current fiscal year,
and for prior years.*

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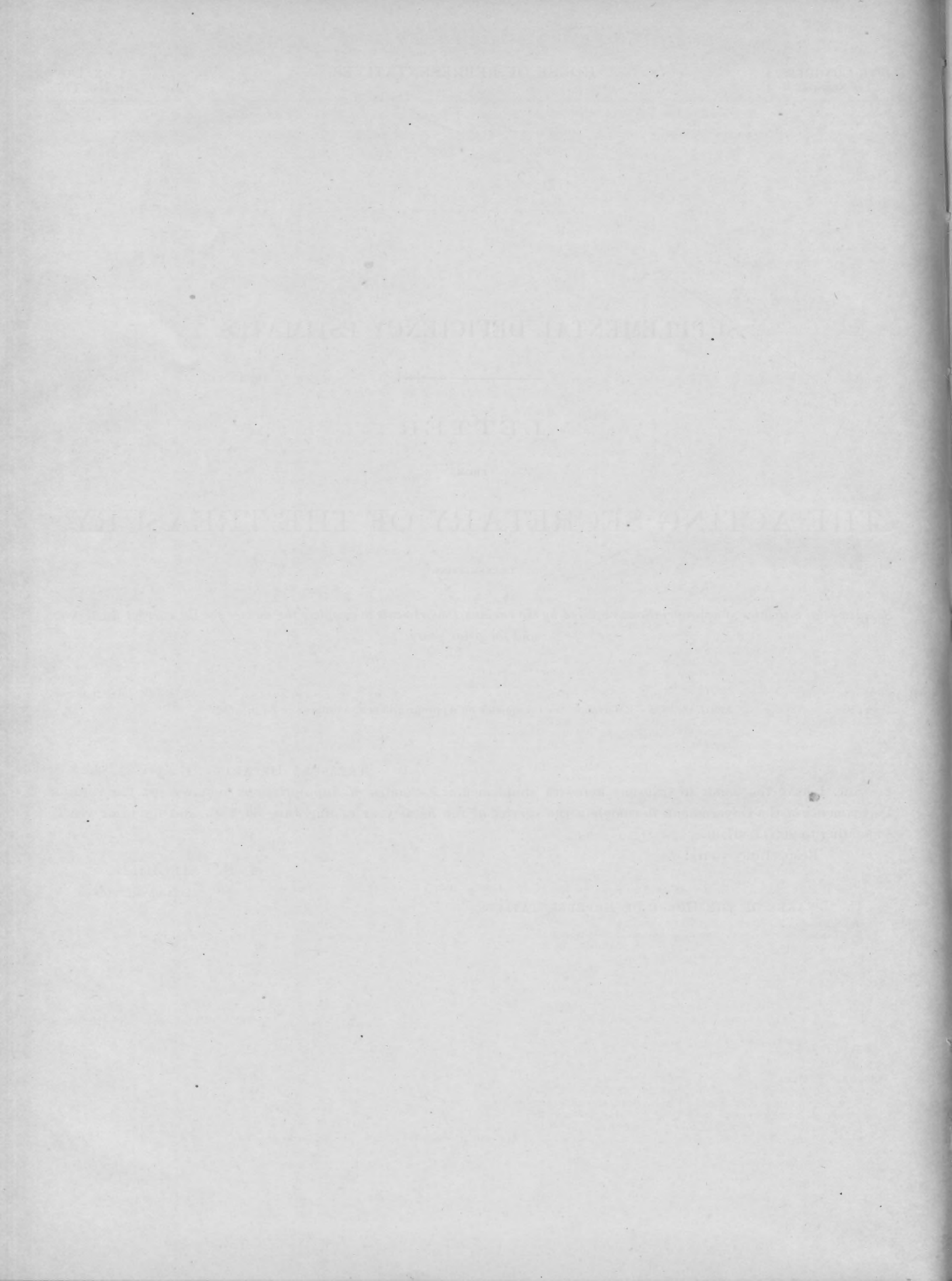
TREASURY DEPARTMENT, *April 8, 1886.*

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith supplemental estimates of appropriations required by the various Departments of the Government, to complete the service of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1886, and for prior years, amounting to \$6,711,807.40.

Respectfully yours,

C. S. FAIRCHILD,
Acting Secretary.

The SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.



DEFICIENCIES.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE.							
FOREIGN INTERCOURSE.							
<i>Salaries of ministers—</i>							
To enable the accounting officers to pay the balance due upon the account of Thomas O. Osborn, minister resident and consul-general to Argentine Republic, being a deficiency for the fiscal year 1885.....	} July 7, 1884 Mar. 3, 1885	23	228	1 }	\$3,903 12		
To pay George C. Foulk, chargé d'affaires ad interim at Seoul, Corea, the amount of protest fees and expenses incurred by him on drafts returned to him on account of the exhaustion of the appropriation for salaries of ministers for fiscal year 1885, against which they were drawn		23	447	1 }			
Same acts					24 01		
					\$3,927 13	\$311,600 54	
<i>Contingent expenses, United States consulates—</i>							
To supply a deficiency in the appropriation for contingent expenses of United States consulates for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1886.....	Feb. 25, 1885	23	330	1	40,000 00	110,000 00	
<small>NOTE.—See report of condition of this appropriation for the first six months of the current fiscal year in Appendix A.</small>							
To enable the accounting officers to effect a proper settlement of the accounts of certain consular officers, being a deficiency in the appropriation for contingent expenses United States consulates for the fiscal year 1885	July 7, 1884	23	234	1	492 04		
<small>NOTE.—Requiring an actual payment of money out of the Treasury of \$32.18. Of the above estimated deficiency, the sum of \$172.56 is for rent of consular office, and the remainder, \$319.48, for other miscellaneous expenses.</small>							
To reimburse the following consular officers the protest fees and expenses incurred by them on drafts returned on account of the exhaustion of the appropriation for contingent expenses United States consulates for the fiscal year 1885, against which they were drawn, namely:							
Thomas T. Gamble, United States vice-consul at Auckland.....	} ..do ..do ..do				18 10	510 14	
J. C. A. Wingate, United States consul at Foo-Chow							\$13 16
E. P. Mussey, United States consul at Mahé, Seychelles.....							2 07
Mahé, Seychelles.....							2 87
Publication of consular and other commercial reports—							
Preparation, printing, publication, and distribution, by the Department of State, of the consular and other commercial reports, including circular letters to chambers of commerce, being a deficiency for the fiscal year 1886	Appropriated.	23	324	1	2,500 00	20,000 00	
<small>NOTE.—See Appendix B.</small>							

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE—Continued.							
FOREIGN INTERCOURSE—continued.							
<i>Payment to John Griffitt, late vice-consul at Smyrna—</i> To pay the claim of John Griffitt, late vice-consul of the United States at Smyrna, for compensation for services rendered as keeper of the consular prison	Submitted					\$2,500 00	
NOTE.—See Appendix C.							
Total Department of State, foreign intercourse						49,437 27	\$551,600 54
TREASURY DEPARTMENT.							
INTERNAL REVENUE.							
<i>Salaries and expenses of agents and subordinate officers of internal revenue.</i>							
For payment of amounts found due by the accounting officers of the Treasury on account of salaries and expenses of agents and subordinate officers of internal revenue, being a deficiency for the fiscal year 1884.. }	Mar. 3, 1883 July 7, 1884 Mar. 3, 1885	22 23 23	543 238 448	1 1 1	.....	48 15	2,438,000 00
MISCELLANEOUS.							
<i>Draping Public Buildings—</i> For expense of draping public buildings on the occasion of the death of ex-President Grant	Submitted					4,198 80	
NOTE.—This amount was authorized by the Treasury Department and expended by collectors of customs from the appropriation for "Expenses of collecting the revenue from customs," and the estimate is made in order to reimburse that appropriation, and is in addition to the sum of \$2,442 asked for the payment of expenses of draping other than custom-house buildings, in House Ex. Doc. No. 62, page 10.							
<i>Payment to Mrs. Imogene Robinson Morrell—</i> To pay Mrs. Imogene Robinson Morrell for painting the portraits of Howell Cobb and John C. Spencer, ex-Secretaries of the Treasury	Submitted					1,000 00	
<i>Refund to Baltimore Storage and Lighterage Company—</i> To refund to the Baltimore Storage and Lighterage Company the amount collected from said company by the collector of customs at Baltimore September 15, 1885, as alien tonnage dues on the British steamship Craigallion and covered into the Treasury, said dues having since been remitted by the Secretary of the Treasury	Submitted					624 00	
<i>Refund to George Hall and Company—</i> To refund to George Hall and Company, of Ogdensburg, N. Y., the amount collected from said firm by the collector of customs at Oswego, N. Y., as alien tonnage dues on the sloop William Wheeler and covered into the Treasury, said dues having since been remitted by the Secretary of the Treasury	Submitted					339 90	
<i>Payment to W. G. Holden, informer's fees—</i> To pay W. G. Holden, inspector of customs at Corpus Christi, Texas, the one-half due him as informer's fees under section 4234 of the Revised Statutes of several penalties collected of vessels at that port and covered into the Treasury	Submitted					95 00	
<i>Payment to J. M. Currie, informer's fees—</i> To pay J. M. Currie the one-half due him as informer's fees under sections 4499 and 4500 of the Revised Statutes of a penalty collected of the owner of the steam yacht Peanut, at the port of Jacksonville, Fla., and covered into the Treasury	Submitted					12 50	
Total miscellaneous						6,270 20	
Total Treasury Department						6,318 35	2,438,000 00

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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.							
SALARIES AND CONTINGENT EXPENSES.							
<i>Contingent expenses, assessor's office—</i>							
To pay Frederick Douglass, recorder of deeds, transfers ..	July 5, 1884	23	123-5	1	\$39 32	\$1,000 00	
<i>Engineer's office, expenses of office of inspector of gas and meters—</i>							
To pay Judd & Detweiler, printing, May, 1885 ...					\$1 17		
Less unexpended balance					2		
	do				1 15	5,000 00	
<i>District offices and markets, fuel, ice, gas, repairs, insurance, and general necessary expenses, viz :</i>							
Hayward & Hutchinson, plumbing, April, 1885 ..					\$7 70		
Z. D. Gilman, insect-powder, &c., June, 1885					1 00		
Great Falls Ice Company, ice, April, May, June, 1885					55 00		
Washington Gas-Light Company, gas, March, April, May, June, 1885					284 70		
Georgetown Gas-Light Company, gas, April, May, June, 1885					14 00		
					362 40		
Less unexpended balance					5		
	do				362 35	5,000 00	
(All being for the service of the fiscal year 1885.)							
<i>Contingent expenses, executive office—</i>							
To pay Thomas Geary, livery of horse of Commissioners, May, June, 1884	March 3, 1883	22	462	1	40 00	2,600 00	
<i>Contingent expenses, engineer's office—</i>							
To pay Johnson Brothers, fuel for property yard, February, 1884					\$3 30		
To pay Scheller & Stevens, chamois skins, May, 1884					80		
	do				4 10	5,000 00	
					44 10		
(All being for the service of the fiscal year 1884.)							
<i>Contingent expenses, assessor's office—</i>							
To pay William Forsyth, fees for surveying during fiscal year 1883	July 1, 1882	22	137	1		29 50	
						1,000 00	
IMPROVEMENTS AND REPAIRS.							
<i>Repairs to concrete pavements—</i>							
To pay Geo. White & Co., castings, June, 1885 ...					\$24 48		
Less unexpended balance					1 38		
	July 5, 1884	23	125	1	23 10	50,000 00	
<i>Materials for permit work—</i>							
To pay Washington Brick Machine Company, brick, April, 1885					\$188 10		
Less unexpended balance					10 36		
	do				177 74	50,000 00	
(Being for the service of the fiscal year 1885.)							
<i>Boundary street sewer—</i>							
To pay B. J. Coyle balance due him on contract No. 389, being for the service of the fiscal year 1882	Mar. 3, 1881	21	458	1		44 36	
						50,000 00	
<i>Completion of sewerage system, District of Columbia—</i>							
For the completion of the boundary sewer	June 30, 1884	23	62	1-4		20,000 00	
						500,000 00	
STREETS.							
<i>Current work of repairs of streets, avenues, and alleys—</i>							
To pay George A. Shehan, lumber, June, 1885 ..					\$23 07		
Less unexpended balance					09		
	July 5, 1884	23	127	1	22 98	25,000 00	
<i>Cleaning and repairing lateral sewers and basins—</i>							
To pay George White & Co., castings, May, June, 1885					55 16		
Less unexpended balance					1 38		
	do				53 78	22,000 00	
<i>Cleaning tidal sewers—</i>							
To pay Johnson Brothers, fuel, March, 1885					14 20		
To pay William E. Hodge, fuel, April, 1885					7 25		
					21 45		
Less unexpended balance					1 76		
	do				19 69	3,000 00	

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STREETS—continued.							
<i>Street lamps—</i>							
To pay Washington Gas-Light Company, gas, June, 1885					\$1,446 57		
Erection of street lamps					649 07		
					2,095 64		
Less unexpended balance	July 5, 1884	23	127	1	\$1,615 34	\$1,711 79	\$95,380 00
All being for the service of the fiscal year 1885.							
To pay Washington Gas-Light Company, erection of street lamps	Mar. 3, 1883	22	466	1	903 66		95,380 00
Being for the service of the fiscal year 1884.							
To pay Washington Gas-Light Company, erection of street lamps	Mar. 3, 1881	21	462	1	44 85		1,000 00
Being for the service of the fiscal year 1882.							
To pay Washington Gas-Light Company, erection of street lamps	June 4, 1880	21	159	1	115 25		1,500 00
Being for the service of the fiscal year 1881.							
To pay Washington Gas Light-Company, erection of street lamps	Mar. 3, 1879	20	409	1	17 74		1,500 00
Being for the service of the fiscal year 1880.							
PUBLIC SCHOOLS.							
<i>Salaries of superintendents, teachers, and janitors, &c.—</i>							
For salaries of teachers for the fiscal year 1886.	Submitted				12,000 00		
<p>NOTE.—This deficiency arises from the fact that under a decision of the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, dated January 26, 1882, "that the Commissioners cannot approve of any scale of teachers' salaries in excess of appropriation by Congress, and that within the limit of such appropriation they consider it to be the exclusive function of the board of school trustees to arrange and fix the scale of salaries," the salaries were so fixed as to exceed the appropriation for the current fiscal year, by reason whereof the salaries of the teachers were reduced three (3) per cent. This was done without any fault on the part of the teachers, and, as they contracted for the salaries offered them, it is equitable that they should be paid.</p>							
<i>Night schools—</i>							
To assume the expenses incurred in the fiscal year 1886 ...	Submitted	Webb's Digest.	279	Laws of corporation of Washington. Act Oct. 15, 1860.	600 00	12,600 00	
<p>NOTE.—This item, submitted for deficiency on account of night schools, arose as follows: Early last fall some benevolent people instituted night schools, and with the consent of the trustees of the public schools were permitted to use the public-school buildings therefor. They applied to the Commissioners for assistance, and were informed that there was no appropriation or fund out of which the expenses attending these night schools could be paid, but that if the experiment proved successful, they would, under an existing law authorizing night schools, estimate for them for the coming year, which they have done. The parties mentioned have in good faith incurred during the past season a liability of about \$600 in the support of these schools, and have accomplished, the Commissioners believe, an excellent work in the education of a number of persons who would otherwise have been without instruction, and the Commissioners recommend that provision be made for payment of that amount.</p>							
<i>Buildings for schools—</i>							
Purchase of sites and erection and completion of new school buildings:							
To pay Columbus Thomas balance due on contract No. 618, for erection of building on P street, West Washington	Feb. 25, 1885	23	318	1	667 53		
To pay Isaac D. Smead & Co. balance due for heating apparatus					212 60		
All being for service of the fiscal year 1886.						880 13	60,000 00
<i>Rent of school buildings—</i>							
To pay George Ryneal, jr., treasurer, rent of room, N and 14th streets, January 1, 1885, to June 30, 1885					\$125 00		
To pay W. H. Haycroft, trustee, rent of house, 31st and N streets, January 1, 1885, to June 30, 1885	July 5, 1884 Mar. 3, 1885	23 23	129 455	1 1	300 00		6,760 00
To pay to William Witthaft, rent of room, 3d and B streets, January 1, 1885, to June 30, 1885					75 00		

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FIRE DEPARTMENT.							
<i>Repairs to engine-houses—</i>							
For general repairs to engine-houses, being for the service of the fiscal year 1886	Feb. 25, 1885	23	316	1	\$250 00	\$1,000 00
To pay E. G. Wheeler, tar and rosin, June, 1885. \$12 25	July 5, 1884	23	128	1	.....	
Less unexpended balance.....						\$8 67	750 00
<i>Fuel—</i>							
To pay W. E. Hodge, fuel, March, April, 1885	do					39 60	2,000 00
<i>Contingent expenses—</i>							
To pay James Connor, horseshoeing, May, June, 1885						\$10 25	
To pay R. A. Dore, horseshoeing, May, June, 1885. 18 00							
To pay Kraft & Conner, horseshoeing, May, June, 1885						12 32	
To pay D. McAuliffe, horseshoeing, May, June, 1885						18 75	
To pay J. H. Mitchell, horseshoeing, May, June, 1885						14 00	
To pay John Lynch, horseshoeing, May, June, 1885						17 00	
To pay J. Murphy, horseshoeing, April, May, June, 1885						60 00	
To pay Murray & Barker, horseshoeing, April, May, June, 1885.....						23 00	
To pay Washington Gas-Light Company, gas, April, May, June, 1885						122 85	
To pay Georgetown Gas-Light Company, gas, April, May, June, 1885.....						14 60	
						310 77	
Less unexpended balance.....						4 74	
.....do						306 03	7,500 00
(All being for the service of the fiscal year 1885.)						354 30	
To pay Great Falls Ice Company, ice, May, June, 1884, { being for the service of the fiscal year 1884	Mar. 3, 1883	22	467	1	}	9 68	8,200 00
To pay John B. Lord, sand, January, 1882, being for the service of the fiscal year 1882	July 7, 1884	23	253	1			
.....do	Mar. 3, 1881	21	463	1	.....	4 80	10,000 00
HEALTH DEPARTMENT.							
<i>Contingent expenses—</i>							
To pay H. Coggins, agent, subscription to Evening Star, October 1, 1882, to July 1, 1883, being for the service of the fiscal year 1883	July 1, 1882	22	143	1	.....	3 96	3,800 00
COURTS.							
<i>Police court—</i>							
United States marshal's fees:							
April, 1885						\$135 50	
May, 1885	July 5, 1884	23	129	1	}	134 50	
June, 1885	Mar. 3, 1885	23	455	1			
						404 50	
Less unexpended balance.....						9 50	
(Being for the service of the fiscal year 1885.)						395 00	1,432 50
United States marshal's fees, June, 1884, being for the service of the fiscal year 1884	Mar. 3, 1883	22	467	1	.....	119 50	1,400 00
Judicial expenses: To pay William Forsyth fee for survey and plat showing the distance from Mr. Gregory's house to the white and colored public schools, situate in the subdivision of the Howard University grounds, for use in the suit of Gregory vs. School Trustees, being for the service of the fiscal year 1883	July 1, 1882	22	141	1	.....	15 00	2,500 00
MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.							
<i>General advertising: To pay bills as follows—</i>							
The Evening Post, New York.....						\$25 20	
The New York Times						31 50	
The Tribune Association, New York						28 80	
The Times, Philadelphia.....						18 90	
The Philadelphia Inquirer.....						18 00	

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MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES—continued.							
Public Ledger.....							
A. S. Abell & Co., Baltimore Sun.....							
Charles C. Fulton & Co., Baltimore American.....							
Morning Herald, Baltimore.....							
Cincinnati Times-Star Company.....							
The Washington Post.....	July 5, 1884	23	130	1			
The National Republican Company.....							
The Evening Star Newspaper Company.....							
The Evening Critic.....							
Washington Journal.....							
Volks-Tribun.....							
Louis Schade, Washington Sentinel.....							
The Capital.....							
T. G. Morrow, Sunday Gazette.....							
The Republic.....							
					1,011 15		
Less unexpended balance.....					1 85		
(Being for the service of the fiscal year 1885.)						\$1,009 30	
						\$4,000 00	
<i>Books for register of wills, printing, checks, damages, &c.—</i>							
To pay William Forsyth fees for surveying, July, 1883, being for the service of the fiscal year 1884.....	Mar. 3, 1883	22	469	1	57 50	2,500 00	
To pay William Forsyth fees for surveying during the fiscal year 1883.....	July 1, 1882	22	142	1	123 00	3,023 37	
	July 7, 1884	23	252	1			
PAYMENT OF JUDGMENTS.							
<i>For the following judgments vs. District of Columbia, viz—</i>							
Ignatius Nall.....					\$105 90		
Alexander T. Augusta.....					34 05		
William L. Bramhall and Frank B. Boker.....					106 98		
Nathaniel C. Bateman.....					54 33		
William E. Hayes.....					30 20		
Samuel H. Sherwood.....					26 20		
Samuel Dailey.....					2,615 50		
Alice V. Boone, by Sarah E. Boone.....					1,102 90		
William C. McGill, use of John Sherman & Co.....					3,415 60		
Edward Clark.....					2,093 45		
William H. Lee.....					2,323 91		
Georgetown Gas Light Company.....					79 66		
Washington Gas Light Company.....					3,906 40		
				Submitted		16,606 08	
Total District of Columbia.....						60,114 39	
						1,079,375 87	
NAVY DEPARTMENT.							
<i>Contingent expenses, Navy Department—</i>							
For payment to Augustus Burgdorf for three picture frames.....	Appropriated.	23	185	1	\$10 50		
For hanging pictures and furnishing wire, being for the service of the fiscal year 1885.....	do				2 75		
						13 25	
						11,000 00	
NAVAL ESTABLISHMENT.							
<i>Provisions, Navy—</i>							
To reimburse this appropriation for provisions issued during the first quarter, 1885, by Paymaster Theo. S. Thompson, U. S. S. Swatara, to American citizens and foreigners in distress taken on board for transportation to New Orleans.....	Submitted.					254 79	
<i>Clothing, Navy—</i>							
To reimburse this appropriation for clothing issued during the first quarter, 1885, by Paymaster Theo. S. Thompson, U. S. S. Swatara, to American citizens and foreigners in distress taken on board for transportation to New Orleans.....	do					1,068 95	

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NAVAL ESTABLISHMENT—continued.							
<i>Small stores, Navy—</i>							
To reimburse this appropriation for small stores issued during the first quarter, 1885, by Paymaster Theo. S. Thompson, United States steamship Swatara, to American citizens and foreigners in distress, taken on board for transportation to New Orleans	Submitted				\$30 26		
<i>Velocity of Light (Nautical Almanac)—</i>							
For payment to W. H. Dice for boxing and packing instruments for the Nautical Almanac Office.....	{ Mar. 3, 1879 Aug. 5, 1882	20 22	390 263	1 1	14 56	\$7,000 00	
NOTE.—Through an accidental delay in settling this bill, the unexpended balance of the appropriation from which it was payable was covered into the Treasury before the bill was presented for payment. For further explanation of the foregoing estimates, see Appendix D.							
Total Naval Establishment					1,368 56	7,000 00	
MISCELLANEOUS.							
<i>Payment to New England Transportation Company—</i>							
To pay the claim of the New England Transportation Company of New Haven, Conn., for damages occasioned to a tender and barge belonging to said company by collision with the United States steamer Tallapoosa while passing through Hell Gate July 19, 1884.	Submitted				76 50		
NOTE.—A special estimate for this object was transmitted to Congress on January 23, 1885, and will be found together with the evidence in the case in House Ex. Doc. No. 131, 48th Cong., 2d Sess.							
Total Navy Department					1,458 31	18,000 00	
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.							
<i>Investigation of pension cases, office of Commissioner of Pensions—</i>							
To provide for a deficiency in the appropriations for the payment of per diem to special examiners in the Pension Office, for the fiscal years 1882, 1883, and 1884.....	{ Mar. 3, 1881 Aug. 5, 1882 Mar. 3, 1883 Submitted	21 22 22	408 248 557	1 1 1	3,000 00		
NOTE.—See Appendix E.							
<i>Contingent expenses, Department of the Interior—</i>							
To provide for a deficiency in the appropriation for the payment of contingent expenses, Department of the Interior, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1884, being for payment of expenses incurred in fitting up quarters for supervising special examiner	Mar. 3, 1883	22	558	1	127 50	101,000 00	
NOTE.—See Appendix E.							
<i>Official Gazette, Patent Office—</i>							
Photolithographing or otherwise producing plates for the Official Gazette, being a deficiency for the fiscal year 1886	Appropriated.	23	418	1	2,000 00	44,000 00	
Total Interior Department proper					5,127 50	145,000 00	
PUBLIC LANDS SERVICE.							
<i>Depredations on public timber—</i>							
To pay amounts found due by the accounting officers on account of depredations on public timber, being a deficiency for the fiscal year 1885	Appropriated.	23	210	1	139 80	75,000 00	
PUBLIC BUILDINGS.							
<i>Lighting the Capitol and grounds—</i>							
Lighting the Capitol and grounds about the same, including the Botanic Garden, Senate and House stables; for gas and electric lighting, pay of superintendent of meters, lamp lighters, gas-fitters, and for material for gas and electric lighting, and general repairs, being a deficiency for the fiscal year 1886.....	Appropriated.	23	497	1	7,000 00	20,000 00	

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PUBLIC BUILDINGS—continued.							
<i>Lighting the Capitol and grounds—Continued.</i>							
For the payment of the amount due for gas furnished during a portion of the month of May and the entire month of June, 1885	July 7, 1884	23	208	1	.....	\$1,945 20	\$20,000 00
<i>Fire-proof building for the Pension Office—</i>							
To provide for the purchase of a new engine to increase water supply in new Pension Building, and furnishing of tanks sufficient to hold 12,000 gallons, two thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary	Submitted					\$2,000 00	
To provide for the purchase and fitting up of two elevators, with necessary engines and gearing, for new Pension Building, twelve thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary	do					12,000 00	
						14,000 00	
NOTE.—In explanation of the two foregoing estimates, see Appendix F.							
Total public buildings, Interior Department						22,945 20	40,000 00
INDIAN AFFAIRS.							
<i>Telegraphing and purchase of Indian supplies—</i>							
To pay the expenses of purchasing goods and supplies for the Indian service, including rent of warehouses, and pay of necessary employes, advertising at rates not exceeding regular commercial rates, inspection, and all other expenses connected therewith, including telegraphing, being a deficiency for the fiscal year 1886	Appropriated ..	23	380	1	.....	5,000 00	35,000 00
NOTE.—For explanation, see Appendix G.							
<i>Fulfilling treaty with Seminoles—</i>							
To enable the accounting officers to adjust certain appropriations on the books of the Department, the sum of two thousand six hundred and twenty-one dollars and sixty cents is hereby reappropriated, to be carried to the credit of appropriation "Fulfilling treaty with Seminoles," being amount found due this appropriation in the adjustment of the accounts of the late Douglas H. Cooper, United States Indian agent	Submitted					2,621 60	
NOTE.—For explanation of this estimate, see Appendix H.							
<i>Fulfilling treaty with Pottawatomies—</i>							
This amount to be paid to the Pottawatomie Indians, or expended for their benefit under the direction of the Secretary of the Interior, being the difference between the amount paid to said Indians in currency in the years 1863, 1864, 1865, 1866, and 1867, and the sum due in coin, under their treaties of 1818 and 1829, as required to be ascertained by article 9 of their treaty of August 7, 1868	{ Aug. 7, 1868 } { Submitted .. }	15	533	9	.....	49,382 08	
<i>Support of Indians at Fort Peck Agency—</i>							
Amount due to Isaac G. Baker for 162 head of beef cattle taken by Fort Peck Indians, October 14, 1878, while in process of delivery under his contract, dated June 21, 1878	Appropriated ..	20	81	1	.....	5,820 20	75,000 00
NOTE.—For explanation, see copy of letter of the Second Comptroller of the Treasury, dated August 4, 1883, in Appendix I. (\$29,601.51 of this appropriation for fiscal year 1879 was carried to the surplus fund June 30, 1882).							
Total Indian affairs						62,823 88	110,000 00
PENSIONS.							
<i>Army and Navy pensions—</i>							
To provide for a deficiency in appropriation for the payment of Army and Navy pensions for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1886	Mar. 3, 1885	23	361	1	.....	6,000,000 00	59,172,000 00
NOTE.—See Appendix E.							

Supplemental estimates of appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1886, &c.—Continued.

General object (title of appropriation), detailed objects of expenditure, and explanations.	Date of acts, resolutions, or treaties authorizing or providing for the expenditures.	References to Stats. at Large or to Revised Statutes.			Estimated am't which will be required for each detailed object of expenditure.	Total amount to be appropriated under each head of appropriation.	Amount appropriated for the fiscal year for which the appropriation is required.
		Vol. or R. S.	Page.	Sec.			
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR—Continued.							
PENSIONS—continued.							
<i>Fees of examining surgeons—</i>							
To provide for the deficiency in appropriation for the payment of fees and expenses of examining surgeons of the United States Pension Office for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1886.....	Mar. 3, 1885	23	362	1	.....	\$321,660 69	\$500,000 00
NOTE.—See Appendix E.							
To provide for the deficiency in appropriation for the payment of fees and expenses of examining surgeons of the United States Pension Office for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1885	July 4, 1884	23	99	1	.....	178,339 31	500,000 00
NOTE.—This amount is to reimburse appropriation for present fiscal year; and it is recommended that the bill making appropriation for such deficiency will provide that the necessary change be made in the books of the Treasury Department as to allow this amount for expenditures for which appropriated during the current year. For further information, see Appendix E.							
Total pensions						6,500,000 00	60,172,000 00
Total Interior Department.....						6,591,036 38	60,542,000 00
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE.							
JUDICIAL.							
<i>Rent of court-rooms, United States courts—</i>							
For rent of United States court-rooms, being a deficiency for the fiscal year 1885.....	July 7, 1884	23	224	1	.....	1,942 70	50,000 00
For rent of United States court-rooms, being a deficiency for the fiscal year 1884.....	Mar. 3, 1883	22	630	1	}	1,500 00	53,616 40
	Mar. 3, 1885	23	467	1			
NOTE.—These amounts are additional to those submitted for the same years on February 8, 1886 (House Ex. Doc. No. 62, page 23), and are necessary to cover accounts in the office of the First Comptroller which have been received since that date.							
Total Department of Justice, judicial						3,442 70	103,616 40
RECAPITULATION.							
State Department, foreign intercourse						\$49,437 27	551,600 54
Treasury Department.....						6,318 35	2,438,000 00
District of Columbia.....						60,114 39	1,079,375 87
Navy Department.....						1,458 31	18,000 00
Interior Department.....						6,591,036 38	60,542,000 00
Department of Justice, judicial.....						3,442 70	103,616 40
Total						6,711,807 40	64,732,592 81

APPENDIX A.

Expenditures from the appropriation for contingent expenses of consulates during the first six months of the fiscal year 1866. (Estimate on page 3.)

Consulate.	Rent.	Postage.	Stationery and blank forms.	Furniture.	Traveling expenses, messenger service, and miscellaneous.	Total.
Acapulco	\$200 00	\$26 01	\$54 51		\$12 25	\$292 77
Aden		25 41	4 25		66 87	96 53
Aix la Chapelle	112 50	11 96	15 16		9 89	149 51
Algiers		15 29	33 30		80	49 39
Amapala		15 00	5 00		10 00	30 00
Amherstburg	30 00	14 51	10 50		1 25	56 26
Amoy	250 00	12 08	51 65	\$4 20	78 88	396 81
Amsterdam	150 00	78 10	10 20	5 80	211 84	455 98
Annaberg	185 00	36 00	41 90		2 96	265 86
Antigua	75 00	19 17			19 33	113 50
Antwerp	250 00	63 70	39 85		57 71	411 26
Apia	120 00	45 04	36 00		91 75	292 79
Athens	250 00	4 63	1 67	142 62	39 65	438 57
Auckland	150 00	73 14	25 81	3 65	19 36	271 96
Bahia	75 00	32 00	25 00			132 00
Bangkok						
Baracoa			17 00			17 00
Barbadoes	150 00	13 74	88 36		10 00	262 10
Barcelona	150 00	35 40	9 50		42 25	237 15
Barmen	200 00	136 94	383 76	40 70	47 20	808 60
Barranquilla	175 00	7 65	1 00	8 00	13 61	205 26
Basle	173 70	42 70	40 36		2 02	258 78
Batavia			50 00		25 00	75 00
Beirut	200 00	88 00	30 00		35 85	353 85
Belfast	207 02	97 12	217 37	5 47	10 70	537 68
Belize		11 38	75		4 62	16 75
Belleville		12 93	31 75		21 45	66 13
Bergen		17 07	13 01			30 08
Berlin	285 60	57 36	58 91		370 02	771 89
Birmingham	250 00	48 80	49 41	197 08		545 29
Bombay		13 25	8 41		1 65	23 31
Bordeaux	210 00	112 93	51 03		71 20	445 16
Bradford	300 00	195 48	263 39	36 86	67 63	863 36
Bremen	250 00	197 24	27 49		100 00	574 73
Breslau		7 14	9 41		3 66	20 21
Bristol	150 00	42 00	42 31		30 28	264 59
Brunswick	136 84	20 08	41 59		10 00	208 51
Brussels	250 00	85 00	71 66		11 19	417 85
Budapesth		6 60	12 06		10 84	29 50
Buenaventura		20 00				20 00
Buenos Ayres	250 00	63 80	148 31		213 50	675 61
Cadiz	140 00	45 78	65 10		57 04	307 92
Cairo	519 44	11 88			86 50	617 82
Calcutta	500 00	122 66	43 66		23 30	689 62
Callao	71 54	25 00	10 40		36 90	143 84
Canton	350 00	46 58	26 29		167 30	530 17
Cape Town	148 00	102 92	13 98	18 84	24 54	308 28
Cardenas	180 00	59 00				239 00
Cardiff	200 00	90 00	108 21		19 19	417 40
Carthagena, Colombia					50 00	50 00
Castellamare		26 10	47 96		2 95	77 01
Catania		8 67				8 67
Ceylon	150 00	24 30	3 00		99 77	277 07
Charlottetown	112 50	20 40	18 43		28 58	179 91
Chatham	43 16	8 80	17 70		5 75	75 41
Chefoo		5 00	10 00			15 00
Chemnitz	200 00	81 50	99 40		91 69	472 59
Chinkiang	259 20	24 60	23 53		104 29	411 62
Christiania		13 75	11 99			25 74
Cienfuegos	128 62	12 11	1 72	20 50	8 95	171 90
Clifton	72 00	15 50	7 00		1 00	95 50
Coaticook		4 20	25 75		1 86	31 81
Cognac		38 50	26 17		7 64	72 31
Cologne	200 00	30 25	64 87		12 99	308 11
Colon (Aspinwall)	300 00	80 00	54 75		100 60	535 35
Collingwood		15 48	37 95		50	53 93
Constantinople	300 00	117 25	32 06		114 79	564 10
Copenhagen	150 00	62 48	78 87	12 86	186 72	490 93

Expenditures from the appropriation for contingent expenses of consulates, &c.—Continued.

Consulate.	Rent.	Postage.	Stationery and blank forms.	Furniture.	Traveling expenses, messenger service, and miscellaneous.	Total.
Cork	\$180 00	\$20 00	\$43 89		\$10 70	\$254 59
Crefeld	200 00	57 16	127 39		51 91	436 46
Curacoa		14 00	27 18			41 18
Demerara	300 00	7 06	53 96		78 74	439 76
Dresden	250 00	67 50	27 27		8 29	353 06
Dublin	200 00	96 85	242 00			538 85
Dundee	250 00	73 31	121 84	\$281 89	19 09	836 13
Dunfermline	37 81	29 87	56 93			124 61
Dusseldorf		23 63	18 26		4 15	46 04
Elberfeld	250 00	54 25	42 65		26 50	373 40
Fayal		6 06				6 06
Florence	120 00	62 00	54 15		4 05	240 20
Foo-Chow	350 00	29 12	7 78		98 64	485 54
Frankfort-on-the-Main	300 00	103 20	109 66		53 66	566 52
Funchal	144 00	10 37	10 01		12 55	176 93
Fort Erie	96 67	6 63	13 60		19 75	136 65
Geneva	150 00	29 28	9 41		8 50	197 19
Genoa	150 00	44 05	63 90		1 50	259 45
Ghent		44 22				44 22
Gibraltar	84 00	26 95	15 65		26 68	153 28
Glasgow	300 00	51 00	139 67			490 67
Gloucester			8 28			8 28
Goderich	100 00	55 12	74 39	5 25	6 20	240 96
Gothenburg		81 25	52 13		10 00	143 38
Guadaloupe	120 00	7 95	3 76		9 65	141 36
Guatemala	100 00	15 46	3 50		3 47	122 43
Guaymas		25 96	17 30		1 50	44 76
Guayaquil	150 00	52 10			154 99	357 09
Guelph	40 00	34 20	13 05		1 98	89 23
Guerrero		2 93	9 50	3 50	6 67	22 60
Halifax	160 00	27 67	60 40		81 23	329 30
Hamburg	202 30	107 63	140 41		43 09	493 43
Hamilton, Bermuda	96 00	3 15				99 15
Hamilton, Ontario		32 00	31 23			63 23
Hankow	350 00				124 00	474 00
Havana	500 00	58 32	213 92		366 31	1,138 55
Havre	300 00	93 20	76 50		3 48	473 18
Hobart		3 00	3 00			6 00
Hong-Kong	500 00	11 03	26 26		264 13	801 42
Honolulu	400 00	42 57	70 40		22 15	535 12
Horgen	157 45	110 50	72 54		17 76	358 25
Hull		12 94	33 48		15 00	61 42
Iquique		22 05	6 50		49 15	77 70
Jerusalem	140 00	35 25	5 25		40 02	220 52
Kanagawa	400 00	138 71	146 23		618 47	1,303 41
Kehl		26 86	28 65		11 90	67 41
Kingston, Jamaica	200 00	50 00	53 75		6 83	310 58
Kingston, Ontario	150 00	21 96	24 33		14 00	210 29
Laguayra	150 00	8 35			4 00	162 35
Lambayeque		9 60			10 20	19 80
La Paz		9 11				9 11
Leeds	97 33	49 16	79 17		85	226 51
Leghorn	150 00	74 98	52 79		72 45	350 22
Leipsic	200 00	39 14	68 10		25 34	332 58
Leith	200 00	40 33	45 22		34 51	320 06
Levuka		17 88			36 65	54 53
London, England	600 00	150 00	670 00		190 00	1,610 00
Liverpool	600 00	375 00	280 00		81 66	1,336 66
Londonderry		4 06	20 23		2 55	26 84
Lyons	250 00	593 00	758 18			1,601 18
London, Ontario		4 11				4 11
Mahé	90 00				4 50	94 50
Malaga	150 00	123 49	45 27		43 90	362 66
Malta	150 00	15 11	9 18		17 79	192 08
Manchester	161 38	266 84	261 29		39 21	728 72
Mannheim	150 00	40 00	36 50		6 10	232 60
Manila	150 00	27 62			8 44	186 06
Maracaibo	200 00	75 00	139 55		59 00	473 55
Marseilles	200 00	74 69	49 70		112 60	436 99
Martinique	150 00				4 00	154 00
Matamoros	200 00	70 49	17 18		93 37	381 04
Matanzas	300 00	21 50	53 45	20 00	30 25	425 20
Mayaguez		9 75	7 50	16 64	26 11	60 00
Mayence	47 60	11 71	9 64		18 31	87 26
Mazatlan		4 88	10 00			14 88
Melbourne	304 16	57 73	51 90		94 76	508 55
Merida		75 77	35 20	84 00	15 11	210 08
Messina	108 00	60 00	23 31	11 58	8 22	211 11
Milan	135 00	35 53	2 00		6 16	178 69

Expenditures from the appropriation for contingent expenses of consulates, &c.—Continued.

Consulate.	Rent.	Postage.	Stationery and blank forms.	Furniture.	Traveling expenses, messenger service, and miscellaneous.	Total.
Monterey		\$15 99	\$5 00		\$9 51	\$30 50
Montevideo	\$200 00	60 16	10 90		23 06	294 12
Montreal	300 00	116 50	48 23		309 17	773 90
Morrisburg		11 38	27 75			39 13
Moscow		56 23	17 50		10 00	83 73
Munich	150 00	18 92	33 14		5 00	207 06
Muscat		7 00			46 50	53 50
Mexico, city of	208 00	20 70			13 40	242 10
Managua	201 10	11 30			22 85	235 25
Moncton		6 50	19 35	\$42 83	10 85	79 53
Nagasaki	300 00	24 82	18 22		143 11	486 15
Nantes		24 54	24 39		4 79	53 72
Naples	121 62	50 29	18 83		50 46	241 20
Nassau	125 00	21 98	26 57		14 00	187 55
Newcastle-on-Tyne	146 00	60 00	93 68		15 06	314 74
New Chwang					94 50	94 50
Nice	150 00	21 03	25 25		23 41	219 69
Nottingham	250 00	121 30	82 93			454 23
Nuevo Laredo		23 32	16 90		28 00	68 22
Nuremberg	185 24	16 88	127 23		11 69	341 04
Odessa	200 00	58 75			40 45	299 20
Osaka and Hiogo	300 00	86 32	56 23	31 40	112 43	554 98
Ottawa	100 00	25 11	64 10		6 87	227 48
Palermo	200 00	140 50	32 20		590 46	963 16
Panama	400 00	83 80	45 00		53 96	582 76
Para	150 00	33 40	4 60		16 65	204 65
Paramaribo		1 46				1 46
Paris	600 00	816 13	618 07		256 39	2,290 59
Paso del Norte	150 00	27 86	14 00		9 75	201 61
Patras		4 36				4 36
Pernambuco	72 25	25 78	28 46		19 76	146 25
Pictou	150 00	42 00	12 75		61 83	266 58
Piedras Negras		43 50	10 00		6 33	59 83
Port Hope, Ontario		18 35	19 30			37 65
Port Louis	150 00	12 50			19 50	182 00
Port Rowan		1 29	14 25			15 54
Port Sarnia	100 00	7 46	32 40		1 00	140 86
Port Stanley, Falkland Islands	134 00	41 00	11 80		10 99	197 79
Port Stanley and St. Thomas, Ontario		6 00	25 65			31 65
Prague	186 13	18 19	60 28		11 96	276 56
Prescott	110 00	30 72	5 50		1 34	147 56
Puerto Cabello	144 00	2 65			16 35	163 00
Puerto Plata			5 40		34 00	39 40
Quebec	129 15	54 01	39 99		84 26	307 41
Rheims		27 49	15 10			42 59
Rio Grande		3 20	41 50		4 96	49 66
Rio de Janeiro	600 00	113 17	29 44		17 90	760 51
Rome	125 60	44 99	49 67		22 15	242 41
Rotterdam	150 00	65 30	109 83	150 00	1 80	476 93
Rouen		163 70	72 29		40 79	276 78
Rnatan		17 20	15 25			32 45
Rosario		7 68	48 34		11 80	67 82
San Domingo	150 00	27 31	10 75		36 40	224 46
Saltillo		13 24		65 00	24 94	103 18
Sagua la Grande	187 48	16 00	26 50	8 00	3 00	240 98
San Salvador	200 00	13 45	14 10			227 55
San José, Costa Rica	180 00	29 45	16 30		30 00	255 75
San Juan, Cuba		11 55	34 34			45 89
San Juan del Norte	107 33	22 26	8 50		18 30	156 39
San Juan, Porto Rico	200 00	19 15	7 75		81 00	307 90
Santander		2 34	4 53		7 43	14 30
Santiago, Cape Verde Islands		12 60	2 20		6 60	21 40
Santiago de Cuba	234 54	25 32	49 20		85 55	394 61
Santos		19 26	17 00		33	36 59
Shanghai	500 00	113 61	165 06		968 30	1,746 97
Sheffield	250 00	46 04	13 48		3 65	313 17
Sherbrooke		16 00	77 55		20 50	114 05
Sierra Leone		59 52	14 12			73 64
Singapore	250 00	60 00	68 00		67 58	415 58
Smyrna	152 50	26 38	14 17			193 05
Sonneberg	56 25	29 26	57 33		32 84	175 68
Sonsonate		20 50	10 00			30 50
Sorel		21 25	1 50			22 75
Southampton	121 64	7 15	5 58			134 37
St. Etienne		52 10	34 55		1 45	88 10
St. Galle	205 73	140 65	99 12		32 62	478 12
St. Helena	125 00	19 57	4 00		12 99	161 56
St. Hyacinthe		21 00	4 15		50	25 65
St. John's, Quebec	73 33	15 69	14 35		55 00	158 37

Expenditures from the appropriation for contingent expenses of consulates, &c.—Continued.

Consulate.	Rent.	Postage.	Stationery and blank forms.	Furniture.	Traveling expenses, messenger service, and miscellaneous.	Total.
St. John's, Newfoundland.....		\$18 21	\$40 95		\$30 12	\$89 28
St. John, New Brunswick.....	\$200 00	37 75	140 03		42 98	420 76
St. Petersburg.....	300 00	50 60	23 05		15 09	388 74
St. Stephen, New Brunswick.....	120 00	3 33	7 30			130 63
St. Thomas, West Indies.....	120 00	36 75	15 25		5 00	177 00
Stanbridge.....		33 09	17 00			50 00
Stettin.....		5 42			10	5 52
Stockholm.....		45 84	17 88		4 02	67 74
Stuttgart.....	150 00	83 00	54 53	\$82 31	19 38	389 22
Sydney.....	200 00	100 38	104 25		70 59	475 22
Tahiti.....		15 00	35 00			50 00
Talcahuano.....		13 45	28 00		4 00	45 45
Tamatave.....	100 00	6 15			2 00	108 15
Tampico.....	150 00	32 61	20 75			203 36
Tangier.....					400 00	400 00
Teneriffe.....		5 00	18 00		13 00	36 00
Three Rivers.....	30 00	29 27	33 25		50	93 02
Tien-Tsin.....	350 00	157 41	11 50		482 94	1,001 85
Toronto.....	150 00	40 00	22 70		3 60	216 30
Trieste.....	200 00	7 93	3 09		13 10	224 12
Trinidad, West Indies.....		5 75	13 00			18 75
Tunstall.....	222 15	38 07	128 38		105 17	493 77
Turin.....		24 25	6 06		49 35	79 66
Turk's Island.....		12 26	4 00		7 50	23 76
Teguicgalpa.....	167 40	36 00	15 00	122 66	160 00	501 06
Vera Cruz.....	300 00	16 59	62 38		110 75	489 72
Verviers and Liege.....	96 50	47 75	46 68		4 25	195 18
Victoria.....	250 00	28 65	56 40		72 92	407 97
Vienna.....	280 00			178 21	56 00	514 21
Warsaw.....		6 17			67 50	73 67
Windsor, Nova Scotia.....		18 20	26 50		2 50	47 20
Windsor, Ontario.....	100 00	6 07	15 65	70 00	77	192 49
Winnipeg.....	150 00	17 00	22 58		46	190 04
Woodstock, New Brunswick.....		12 50	9 50			22 00
Zanzibar.....		28 07	20 56		14 00	62 63
Zurich.....	200 00	143 04	51 02		94 34	488 40
Valparaiso.....	300 00	90 00	40 05		5 80	435 85
Venice.....		17 15	16 78		33 09	67 02
Total.....	34,999 76	12,012 49	11,934 22	1,669 85	12,009 67	72,625 99

RECAPITULATION.

Rent.....	\$34,999 76
Postage.....	12,012 49
Stationery and blank forms.....	11,934 22
Furniture.....	1,669 85
Traveling expenses, messenger service, and miscellaneous.....	12,009 67
Total expended by consuls.....	72,625 99
Expended by disbursing clerk of the Department of State for stationery, postage stamps, flags, seals, arms, &c.....	7,429 78
Total expended from the appropriation.....	80,055 77
Amount for miscellaneous expenses, &c.....	12,009 67
There were expended—	
For statistical information.....	\$2,142 42
For services of messengers and Oriental writers.....	2,138 00
For traveling expenses.....	277 84
	4,558 26
Balance not specifically accounted for in the above statement of the expenditures of consuls.....	7,451 41

It will be noticed that the expenditure for rent is nearly one-half of the entire aggregate of the expenditures, and being \$34,999.76 for the *first six months* of the year, the expenses on this account for the *entire year* will be \$70,000, out of the appropriation for \$110,000. This rent allowance is provided for by permanent statutes, being sections 1,700 and 1,732 of the Revised Statutes. Under the first of these sections there may be allowed to consuls whose salaries exceed \$1,000 per annum, a sum for rent equivalent to 20 per cent. of their salaries. The consular salaries for the present fiscal year, above those of \$1,000 per annum, amount to \$345,000. Twenty per cent. of

this sum alone would be \$69,000, just \$1,000 less than the amount to be expended for rent this year, as above stated. Then, under section 1,732 of the Revised Statutes, rent is to be allowed feed consuls, and this additional rent charge would much more than make up the difference of \$1,000, but by not granting consuls the full rent allowance unless absolutely necessary, the Department is able to bring the total cost of rent within \$70,000.

The amounts of the other main items of consular expense are almost as certainly fixed as that of rent, *in practice*, though not specifically established by law. A comparison of the books shows that any one year is just about the same as any other in these respects. By way of illustration, I refer to the appropriations and their deficiencies.

Fiscal year.	Annual appropriations.	Deficiency.	Total.
1878.....	\$115,000 00	\$17,637 17	\$132,637 17
1879.....	115,000 00	21,929 80	136,929 80
1880.....	115,000 00	29,511 75	144,511 75
1881.....	125,000 00	13,836 78	138,836 78
1882.....	135,000 00	16,983 19	151,983 19
1883.....	135,000 00	19,546 00	154,546 00
1884.....	110,000 00	41,598 56	151,598 56
1885.....	110,000 00	34,970 35	144,970 35

The appropriation for the present fiscal year is \$110,000, and it is apparent, from the above statement of expenditures already made, that it will fall as far short of being sufficient as did the appropriations for preceding years.

Eighty thousand dollars have been spent in the first six months of the year, and for the second six months there remain but \$30,000 to meet expenditures by consuls, which may reasonably be expected to equal those of the first six months, namely, \$72,625.99. The rent alone, which is allowed by law, will amount to \$35,000, and this is \$5,000 in excess of the remainder of the appropriation. There can be no doubt, however, that the consuls have already expended more than the \$30,000, and that there will not be enough money to reimburse them *fully* for the present quarter, or to reimburse them *at all* for the next quarter.

It certainly seems desirable to provide *now* for the deficiency which is sure to ensue, rather than to entail upon consular officers the necessity of *personally* bearing the expense of maintaining the consular service of the Government for three months, and then to wait a year afterwards for reimbursement, because there generally elapses the period of a year from the close of a fiscal year before the deficiency appropriation becomes available.

Formerly the burden was not so great, because many of the consuls paid their expenses out of their fees and were embarrassed only by having their *accounts suspended* until the deficiency appropriation was passed, but under a clause of the Deficiency Act of 1884, Statutes at Large, Vol. 23, page 237, the consuls are not now allowed to so use the fees, and consequently they have to bear the expense out of their own private resources.

Apart, however, from the consideration of the *personal* inconvenience suffered by the consuls, there should also be considered the great injury to the credit of the United States and its commercial interests (in those parts of the world with which it is most desirable to develop trade, and for which purpose good financial standing is essential) which is done by the non-payment of *just* drafts drawn upon the Government by its duly-accredited agents.

I submit herewith a list of consular drafts upon the Secretary of State which were dishonored because of the insufficiency of the appropriation for contingent expenses for the fiscal year 1885:

Consul.	Place.	Date.	Amount.	Consul.	Place.	Date.	Amount.
				1885.			
Astwood, H. C. C	San Domingo	July 1	\$163 25	Dunn, D. M	Valparaiso	June 30	\$203 90
Bernard, Charles P	Leghorn	July 9	270 00	Lasar, Henry S	Port Stanley, F. I.	June 30	92 11
Taylor, James W	Winnipeg	July 18	102 25	Atwater, Dorence	Tahiti	June 30	40 00
Lathrop, L. A	Bristol	June 30	134 37	Tzschuck, Bruno	Vera Cruz	June 30	125 86
Siler, James W	Cape Town	June 30	125 70	Rice, William T	Horgen	July 17	120 68
Andrews, C. C	Rio de Janeiro	June 30	498 00	Strickland, Peter	Gorée Dokar	July 20	72 00
Worthington, John	Malta	June 30	98 93	Bandinel, J. J. F	New Chwang	June 30	47 25
Canisius, T.	Apia	June 1	48 73	Seymour, Charles	Canton	June 30	330 01
Thomson, William	Southampton	July 15	65 22	Wingate, J. C. A	Foo-Chow	June 30	304 35
Morey, W	Ceylon	June 30	108 48	Cheney, F. M	Zanzibar	July 1	24 56
Prentis, Thomas T	Port Louis	July 6	104 34	Mussey, E. P	Mahé	June 30	43 30
Wilson, Thomas	Nice	July 15	97 37	Jackson, Chester E	Antigua	July 18	71 93
Smith, L. B	Curacao	July 13	7 20	Willard, A	Gnaymas	Mar. 31	12 42
Grellet, Charles T	Algiers	July 14	15 90	Willard, A	do	June 30	17 20
Thompson, Ed. H	Merida		30 55	Anderson, John	Singapore	July 31	192 69
Canisius, T	Apia	June 5	99 20	Wood, Charles M	Rome	Oct. 17	164 51
Cobb, A. B	Calcutta	July 1	349 11	Jones, Evan R	Cardiff	Nov. 6	218 17
Jones, Alex. C	Nagasaki	July 6	222 02	Griffin, G. W	Sydney	Oct. 27	161 45
Wright, R. K., jr	Colon (Aspinwall)	Aug. 3	904 50	Tzschuck, Bruno	Vera Cruz	Mar. 30	233 19
Bergholz, Leo. A	Chin-Kiang	July 3	232 31	Tzschuck, Bruno	do	June 30	237 36
Voigt, Julius G	Manila	July 6	97 98	Weaver, John B	Bahia	June 30	65 50
Goldsborough, W. E	Amoy	June 30	167 42	Lewis, Judson A	Sierra Leone	Dec. 1	36 06
Shepard, Isaac F	Hankow	June 30	248 99	Schroeder, John	San José	Sept. 1	21 90
Bromley, George T	Tien-Tsin	June 30	314 47	Plumacher, E. H	Maracaibo	Dec. 31	50 00
Gamble, Thos. T	Auckland	July 13	128 20				
Spencer, O. M	Melbourne	June 30	244 31				
				Total			7,776 20

It will be noticed that all of the above drafts are now about nine months overdue, and considerable time must yet elapse before their payment. The law makes no provision for the payment of interest on these delayed payments nor for the expense of protest fees.

Moreover, besides the mortification caused consuls by the return of their drafts dishonored, there is imposed upon them, in consequence, unusual difficulty in negotiating drafts in future. It often happens that there is only one banker or merchant in the consul's locality who will negotiate bills on the United States, and he is not disposed to negotiate after such bills are returned dishonored.

An additional appropriation of about \$40,000 now, in anticipation of the deficiency for the current fiscal year, would relieve the service of its impending embarrassment.

Respectfully submitted.

F. J. KIECKHOEFER,
Disbursing Clerk.

APPENDIX B.

In relation to the estimate for "Publication of Consular and other commercial reports." (See page 3.)

DEPARTMENT OF STATE,
Washington, April 7, 1886.

SIR: I have the honor to request that appropriate action be taken by your Department with a view to supplying a deficiency in the appropriation for the publication of consular reports for the current fiscal year. With the issue of Consular Reports No. 63 (April, 1886), the current appropriation will be exhausted. A special appropriation of \$2,500 is asked for to continue the issues to the end of the fiscal year.

Out of the appropriation for the current year ten monthly issues have been printed, two of which were of large size. In addition to these there have been published a number of special issues of great interest and value. More has been printed in the Department, and less sent to Congress to be printed at the cost of that body, than in former years.

With a view to improving the service, I have directed the publication of the annual reports of consular officers as received in the current monthly issues. In the past these reports have been retained for a year; sometimes for two years, until a sufficient number had accumulated to constitute the volume known as "Commercial Relations." In thus making this volume unnecessary, the expense of printing has been saved, and this expense was in the last three years: 1879, \$13,343.62; 1880, \$9,257.14; and 1882, \$13,779.96, the edition printed being one of 6,900 copies. Under the plan proposed, this same work will involve in the current year an increase in the appropriation for printing these reports of \$2,500, as already requested, thus effecting a saving of from six to ten thousand dollars. In the year 1887 it is not thought that any additional appropriation will be required.

There are now in the Department many reports prepared in reply to special circulars, which cannot be printed for want of means, and for the publication of which this appropriation is asked.

I am, sir, your obedient servant,

T. F. BAYARD.

Hon. DANIEL MANNING,
Secretary of the Treasury.

APPENDIX C.

In relation to the estimate for "Payment to John Griffitt, late United States vice-consul at Smyrna." (See page 4.)

DEPARTMENT OF STATE,
Washington, April 7, 1886.

SIR: In accordance with the requirements of the act of July 7, 1884 (Vol. 23, p. 254), I have the honor to invite your attention to the inclosed copy of a letter which I have addressed to the chairman of the House Committee on Foreign Affairs, with regard to the claim of John Griffitt, late vice-consul of the United States at Smyrna, for compensation for services rendered as keeper of the consulate prison, and to suggest that the sum of \$2,500 be added to your statement of deficiencies, soon to be reported to Congress, to satisfy this claim.

I have the honor to be, sir, your obedient servant,

T. F. BAYARD.

Hon. DANIEL MANNING,
Secretary of the Treasury.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE,
Washington, April 5, 1886.

SIR: Adverting to my letter of the 24th ultimo, relative to the request of John Griffitt, late vice-consul at Smyrna, for compensation as keeper of the consular prison, I have the honor to state, for your further information, that the consul at Smyrna, under date November 29, 1880, wrote to this Department that Mr. Griffitt had served the Government in various capacities for over thirty years without any remuneration, except now and then during

the temporary absence of the consul; that since 1874 he has served as acting marshal of the consular court, and that since the establishment of a permanent prison here, "and especially since it has been made the place of imprisonment of Mirzam, the duties of a marshal are much more arduous, delicate, and responsible, so that the justice of allowing Mr. Griffitt a reasonable compensation for his services would seem to be manifest."

In view of these facts and others which appear on the records of the Department, I am convinced that if you were to recommend the payment of \$2,500 to Mr. Griffitt, to cover the period of his most difficult work, from the middle of June, 1880, to December 31, 1882, the services of a faithful officer would be fully recognized.

I have the honor to be, sir, your obedient servant,

T. F. BAYARD.

Hon. PERRY BELMONT,
Chairman Committee on Foreign Affairs, House of Representatives.

APPENDIX D.

In relation to estimates for "Contingent expenses, Navy Department," "Provisions, Navy," "Clothing, Navy," "Small stores, Navy," and "Velocity of light." (See pages 9 and 10.)

NAVY DEPARTMENT,
Washington, March 6, 1886.

SIR: I have the honor to submit herewith deficiency estimates for the sum of one thousand three hundred and eighty-one dollars and eighty-one cents (\$1,381.81), and to ask their transmission to Congress, with the view of securing favorable action thereon.

The appropriations requested are to pay \$13.25 due Augustus Burgdorf for articles of furniture obtained from him for the Bureau of Equipment and Recrfiting, August 25, 1884 ("Contingent expenses, Navy Department"); \$14.56 due W. H. Dice for work for Nautical Almanac Office; and to reimburse certain appropriations pertaining to the Bureau of Provisions and Clothing for expenditures therefrom on account of destitute American citizens and foreigners who were conveyed, by order of the Department, from Livingston, Guatemala, to New Orleans, in March, 1885, in the U. S. S. Swatara, \$1,354.

A letter from the Acting Chief of the Bureau of Provisions and Clothing, accompanied by lists and value of the provisions, clothing, and small stores issued to these persons, will be found herewith.

Humanity dictated the rendering of this aid to these twenty-eight unfortunate people, and as the cost of provisioning and proper care of them for the time being is not a legitimate charge on Navy appropriations, the latter should be reimbursed.

Very respectfully,

W. C. WHITNEY,
Secretary of the Navy.

Hon. DANIEL MANNING,
Secretary of the Treasury.

BUREAU OF PROVISIONS AND CLOTHING,
Washington, D. C., December 11, 1885.

SIR: Transmitted herewith are certified copies of vouchers for provisions, clothing, and small stores issued during the first quarter of 1885 by Paymaster Theodore S. Thompson, U. S. N., U. S. S. Swatara, per order of Commander G. S. Wiltse, U. S. N., commanding, to "American citizens and foreigners in distress, taken on board for transportation to New Orleans."

The inclosed vouchers, with a letter from this Bureau asking that the amounts be refunded, were returned by the Fourth Auditor, with the information that there was no appropriation on the books of that office liable for such expenditures.

The Bureau has the honor to request that you will cause such steps to be taken as may be proper to have the respective appropriations reimbursed, as follows:

Appropriation "Provisions," 1885	\$254 79
Clothing fund	1,068 95
Small-stores fund	30 26
	1,354 00

Respectfully,

W. S. SCHLEY,
Acting Chief of Bureau.

Hon. W. C. WHITNEY,
Secretary of the Navy.

U. S. S. SWATARA, THIRD RATE,
Off Livingston, Guatemala, March 18, 1885.

SIR: You will be pleased to issue to seventy-eight supernumeraries not entitled to pay, being American citizens and foreigners in distress taken on board for transportation to New Orleans, the following articles of provisions.

Respectfully,

G. C. WILTSE,
Commander, U. S. N., Commanding.

Paymaster THEO. S. THOMPSON, U. S. N.,
U. S. S. Swatara.

Articles.	Quantity.	Average price.	Cost.
Bread	1,200	.031862	\$38 23
Salt beef	234	.088423	20 69
Pork	390	.0897028	34 98
Preserved meat	175	.12585	22 02
Flour	117	.031824	3 72
Rice	78	.060898	4 75
Dried fruit	85	.13668	11 62
Pickles	57	.069311	3 95
Sugar	267	.071536	19 10
Tea	16	.456336	7 30
Coffee	66	.316175	20 87
Butter	87	.303148	26 37
Canned tomatoes	146	.04971	7 26
Beans	25	.416	10 40
Molasses	8	.54269	4 39
Vinegar	8	.142644	1 14
Fresh beef	150		18 00
Total			254 79

The foregoing articles were issued by me.

THEO. S. THOMPSON,
Paymaster, U. S. Navy.

True copy:

J. A. SMITH,
Paymaster-General, U. S. Navy.

U. S. S. SWATARA, THIRD RATE,
Off Livingston, Guatemala, March 18, 1885.

SIR: You will be pleased to issue to seventy-eight supernumeraries not entitled to pay, being American citizens and foreigners in distress taken on board for transportation to New Orleans, the following articles of small stores.

Respectfully,

G. C. WILTSE,
Commander, U. S. N., Commanding.

Paymaster THEO. S. THOMPSON, U. S. N.

A true copy.

J. A. SMITH,
Paymaster-General, U. S. Navy.

Articles.	Quantity.	Average price.	Cost.
Mess kettles	8	.5346	\$4 27
Mess pans	8	.4376	3 50
Tin pots	78	.064137	5 31
Tin pans	78	.077326	6 03
Spoons	78	.021355	1 67
Forks	78	.0477	3 72
Soap	150	.038406	5 76
Total			30 26

The above articles were issued by me.

THEO. S. THOMPSON,
Paymaster, U. S. N.

U. S. S. SWATARA, THIRD RATE,
Off Livingston, Gautemala, March 18, 1885.

SIR: You will be pleased to issue to seventy-eight supernumeraries, not entitled to pay, being American citizens and foreigners in distress, taken on board for transportation to New Orleans, the following articles of clothing.

Respectfully,

G. C. WILTSE,

Commander, U. S. N., Commanding.

Paymaster THEO. S. THOMPSON, U. S. N.,
U. S. S. Swatara.

True copy.

J. A. SMITH,
Paymaster-General, U. S. Navy.

Articles.	Quantity or number.	Average price.	Cost.
Drawers	2	\$1.667	\$3 33
Satinet trousers	80	3.101	248 08
Overshirts	80	2.9255	234 04
Undershirts	80	1.57	125 60
Socks	80	.292	23 36
Mattresses	10	4.871	48 71
Blankets	82	2.65427	217 65
Calf shoes	51	2.18	111 18
Kip shoes	27	2.111	57 00
Total			1,068 95

The above articles were issued by me.

THEO. S. THOMPSON,
Paymaster, U. S. N.

APPENDIX E.

In relation to certain estimates submitted by the Commissioner of Pensions, viz: Investigation of pension cases (page 10), contingent expenses, Department of the Interior (page 10), Army and Navy pensions (page 11), fees of examining surgeons (page 12).

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, PENSION OFFICE,
Washington, D. C., March 1, 1886.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith estimates for deficiencies for the present and prior years in the appropriations for the payment of Army and Navy pensions, fees and expenses of examining surgeons, investigation of pension cases, office of the Commissioner of Pensions, and contingent expenses, Department of the Interior.

Regarding the estimate for fees of examining surgeons, I desire to state that for a number of years no record has been kept in this office showing the appropriation out of which the payment of said fees was made, the practice approved by the Treasury officials being followed, which permitted the payment of accounts out of the appropriation for the year in which they were presented for payment, without regard to the time when such services were rendered.

Under this practice the sum of \$178,339.31 has been expended from the appropriation for the current year in payment of accounts for services rendered prior to July 1, 1885, and I would respectfully ask that the deficiency requested to cover this expenditure be provided for, and that the Secretary of the Treasury be requested to have the necessary changes consequent thereunder made upon the books, that the full amount asked for and appropriated for the fiscal year 1886 may be available for the expenses incurred in said year.

The estimate for contingent expenses, Department of the Interior, is to provide payment for the fitting up of quarters for the supervising special examiners at Pittsburgh, Pa., in the building occupied by the United States pension agent.

That for the payment for investigation of pension cases is to provide for the per diem of special examiners who performed duty in the District of Columbia, and who under the previous rulings of the Secretary of the Interior were allowed no per diem for a portion of the time and but \$1.50 per day for the remainder.

Attention is respectfully invited to the report of the chief of the Agent's Division of this office, which fully explains the necessity for a deficiency appropriation for Army and Navy pensions.

Very respectfully,

JOHN C. BLACK,
Commissioner.

Hon. SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR.

INVESTIGATION OF PENSION CASES, PENSION OFFICE, PAGE 10.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, PENSION OFFICE,
Washington, D. C., January 14, 1886.

SIR: At one time special examiners of the Pension Office detailed to examine cases in this District were allowed but one dollar and fifty cents per diem.

By a ruling of the then Secretary of the Interior, Hon. H. M. Teller, dated June 26, 1884, in case of George H. Heron, it was decided that all special examiners, while on duty in the field, without regard to locality, were entitled to the full per diem of three dollars, and many of them who had received less filed their accounts and were allowed the difference, payment being made from the deficiency fund.

The amount was not sufficient to complete the payments, and some of the accounts still remain unpaid.

I have the honor, therefore, to request that Congress be asked to appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars, for the purpose of making the payment to those who have not yet received the amount due them.

Very respectfully,

JOHN C. BLACK,
Commissioner.

Hon. SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR.

CONTINGENT EXPENSES, INTERIOR DEPARTMENT, PAGE 10.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, PENSION OFFICE,
Washington, D. C., January 12, 1886.

SIR: I have the honor to submit herewith the account of Russell Errett for repairs and fitting up a room for use as an office for the supervising examiner of what was then known as the Pittsburgh district. The account, with the bills attached, were forwarded by you to the Hon. Secretary, approved for payment in July last, but were returned, with the statement that there was no fund to the credit of the appropriation for "contingent expenses, Department of the Interior, 1884, out of which this account must be paid." In view of that fact, I respectfully ask that it now be referred to the Hon. Secretary of the Interior, with the request that the amount be included in the estimate of this year's deficiency appropriation. The persons to whom the several sums, amounting to \$127.50, are due, have long been kept out of them, and should be paid, as the bills are just and the expenditures were authorized by the then Commissioner of Pensions. For further particulars please see my letter of July 18, 1885.

Very respectfully,

A. S. COLEMAN,
Chief S. E. Division.

General JOHN C. BLACK,
Commissioner of Pensions.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, PENSION OFFICE,
Washington, D. C., July 18, 1885.

SIR: The expenses shown by the accompanying account of Russell Errett, with attached bills, were incurred in September, November, and December, 1883, for fitting up a room in the Pension agency at Pittsburgh, Pa., for the use of the supervising examiner.

When that supervisory district was established, Mr. E. G. Rathbone, the then chief of the special-examination division was in Pittsburgh, and authorized the fitting up of the room on an understanding previously had with Colonel Dudley, the then Commissioner of Pensions, that a room in the agency would be fitted up for the supervisor's use.

A clerk of Mr. Errett's in the agency, knowing that there was such an understanding, with an interest simply to aid the supervising examiner in getting settled, sent for carpenters, &c., and had the work done.

Subsequently Colonel Dudley was in Pittsburgh. He then examined into the necessity for and character of the work, and fully approved the bills, and said to Major Errett and myself that he would have them paid. He took the account to Washington with him, and I understand that he ordered it paid, but they have been laid by, and no attention paid to the matter until a short time ago, when called to your attention by a letter from Major Errett.

The expenditures were necessary in fitting up an office for the supervising examiner, and only such work as was absolutely necessary to place the room in a tenable condition was done.

I personally know the account to be just, and should be paid, as I was the supervising examiner of the Pittsburgh district at the time.

Very respectfully,

A. S. COLEMAN,
Acting Chief S. E. Division.

Hon. JOHN C. BLACK,
Commissioner of Pensions.

[Indorsements.]

PENSION OFFICE,
Washington, D. C., July 20, 1885.

On the within statement I approve for payment.

JOHN C. BLACK,
Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, July 21, 1885.

Respectfully returned to the Commissioner of Pensions with the information that there are no funds to the credit of the appropriation, "Contingent expenses, Department of the Interior, 1884," out of which this account must be paid.

H. L. MULDROW,
First Assistant Secretary.

ARMY AND NAVY PENSIONS, PAGES 11 AND 12.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, PENSION OFFICE,
Washington, D. C., July 23, 1878.

SIR: To enable this office to satisfactorily answer the inquiries of pension agents and others, the opinion of the accounting officers is desired, at an early day, upon the following points:

First. Can the fees of boards of surgeons, for examinations made prior to July 1, 1878, be paid out of funds appropriated for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1869 (1879)?

Second. Are single surgeons entitled to two dollars for each examination made by them prior to the passage of the recent appropriation act? If so, what should be done with the unpaid accounts for such examinations, in view of the exhaustion of former appropriations, and the language of the proviso relative to surgeons' fees, in the late act?

I am, sir, very respectfully,

O. P. G. CLARKE,
Acting Commissioner.

Hon. THIRD AUDITOR, UNITED STATES TREASURY.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, SECOND COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
Washington, D. C., September 4, 1878.

SIR: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of August 31, inclosing an account of Surgeon Charles Saunders, and your letter of August 3, 1878, on the subject of surgeons' fees, inclosing a letter of the Commissioner of Pensions, of date July 23, 1878, in which he presents the following questions, namely:

First. Can the fees of boards of surgeons, for examinations made prior to July 1, 1878, be paid out of funds appropriated for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1879?

Second. Are single surgeons entitled to two dollars for each examination made by them prior to the passage of the recent appropriation act? If so, what should be done with the unpaid accounts for such examinations, in view of the exhausted former appropriations, and the language of the proviso in relation to surgeons' fees in the late act? I think there can be no doubt of the correctness of your conclusion, that the recent act does not have the effect to reduce the amount due for service rendered previous to the date of the recent act, both because an act will not be construed to be retroactive when its language will bear any other construction, and because the right to receive two dollars for each examination having vested, it was not in the power of Congress to make a change as to the amount due the claimants.

It is true, appropriation is under Congressional control, as well where rights are vested as in other cases; but no reason appears why Congress should desire to prevent or delay payment of surgeons' fees already earned, and I do not think the recent act manifests such intent.

The effect of the proviso in the act of June 14, 1878, is to reduce the fees of surgeons to one dollar for each examination of this kind made after that act took effect, and in this regard it took effect on date of its passage.

On the more difficult subject, namely, Out of what appropriations shall such fees be paid? after a very careful consideration of the several acts of Congress bearing on this subject, I am compelled to abandon the view at first taken by me, and to acquiesce in your conclusion that the proviso in the act of June 14, 1878, is not intended to change the practice of the Department as to the fund out of which surgeons' fees may be paid.

For many years, and up to the passage of the last-named act, it has been the practice to make payments of pensions and surgeons' fees, "for all time due and claimed, on one voucher," out of the money appropriated for the fiscal year in which the voucher was presented. The propriety and legality of such course was discussed as long ago as October 7, 1871, at which time Secretary Boutwell held that "pension appropriations for a fiscal year may properly be construed as providing for the payment of all pensions that may be due and payable and claimed within the fiscal year." And on the 10th of October, 1871, the Third Auditor and Second Comptroller issued a circular to the effect that "payments of pensions, as well as surgeons' fees, and expenses of artificial limbs, &c., will be made for all time due and claimed, on one voucher, and paid out of the money appropriated for the fiscal year in which the voucher is presented and paid." These decisions, made after the general enactment of July 12, 1870, found in section 3690 of the Revised Statutes, requiring that appropriations for any fiscal year "shall only be applied to the payment of expenses properly incurred during that year," show that pensions and surgeons' fees were deemed exceptional and that the mode of their payment was not restricted by that general provision. The correctness of

this conclusion has been acquiesced in, and the practice thus authoritatively established has prevailed from that time until the passage of the recent act, and that practice is not questioned now on any ground unless it be that Congress intended by the recent act to change the mode of payment. The surgeons' fees, being an incidental expense of the payment of pensions, had been by Congressional action made payable out of money appropriated generally for the payment of pensions (see act of March 3, 1873, re-enacted in section 4777 of the Revised Statutes), and general appropriations in gross, for pensions and such incidental expenses continued to be made (see 18 Stat., 337) up to the appropriation for the year ending June 30, 1877. In the act making that appropriation Congress segregated the appropriation into several distinct parts (19 Stat., 8). In making this segregation Congress expressed no intention to change the existing practice, but left surgeons' fees and like incidental expenses as subject to the former modes, as was the payment of pensions.

The silence of these acts on that subject seems to be a tacit recognition of the practice of paying several years' indebtedness "on one voucher and out of one and the same appropriation." It would be disrespectful to Congress, and contrary to admitted rules of construction, to assume that Congress was unacquainted with a construction of the then existing laws which had obtained in the Pension Bureau and in the Treasury Department for several years; and we must take it for granted that Congress knew at the time of making each of the subsequent appropriations that surgeons' fees, as well as pensions, were still paid in accordance with the above mentioned circular.

None of these acts have an affirmative expression tending to disapprove of that mode, and I think no inference arises from anything in any of the several acts which segregate the appropriations for pensions and for the incidental expenses that Congress intended a change of the mode of payment. The question now presented is whether the act of June 14, 1878, shall be construed as expressing an intention to make such change. I think a fair reading of the whole act shows that the sole object of the proviso is to reduce the surgeon's fee for the particular service specified, and that the act does not contemplate a change as to the fund out of which payments may be made. For these reasons, I am of opinion that for examinations made by single surgeons prior to June 14, 1878, the surgeon is entitled to a fee of \$2 for such examination.

That the unexpended balance of the appropriation for the year ending June 30, 1878, should be applied to their payment and to the payment of fees of boards of surgeons, and that when that appropriation becomes exhausted it will be lawful to draw upon the appropriation made for the current fiscal year for their payment.

In this connection, I would also suggest that there is an unexpended balance of the appropriation for the year ending June 30, 1877, and to whatever extent fees earned in that fiscal year may have been paid out of the appropriation for the next succeeding year, the amount so paid may properly be transferred from the last-named appropriation to the appropriation for the year ending June 30, 1878, so as to make the amount available for the purpose under consideration. I would also submit to your consideration whether the inconvenience in parceling out the available appropriations in proper proportions to the several pension agents affords a sufficient reason for causing these claims for surgeons' fees to be settled in the accounting offices, as accounts or claims, for the convenience of having them all paid at one office.

Very respectfully,

Hon. HORACE AUSTIN,
Third Auditor.

W. W. UPTON,
Comptroller.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
Office of the Secretary, October 7, 1871.

SIR: In reply to your letter of the 5th instant, asking instructions in reference to the payment of pensions, and referring to a letter of the Secretary of the Treasury, addressed to you under date of the 20th of July last, I have to say that in my opinion the pension appropriations for a fiscal year may properly be construed as providing for the payment of all pensions that may be due and payable and claimed within that fiscal year.

Very respectfully,

GEO. S. BOUTWELL,
Secretary.

Hon. ALLAN RUTHERFORD,
Third Auditor, Treasury Department.

Statement showing amounts expended by the several pension agents during the first six months of present fiscal year.

1885.	Army.				Navy.				Arrears.	Grand total.
	Army pensions.	Examining surgeons.	Pay and allowances.	Total.	Navy pensions.	Examining surgeons.	Pay and allowances.	Total.	Army and Navy.	
July	\$2,254,568 43	\$113,989 97	\$13,140 60	\$2,381,699 00	\$11,768 30	\$267 00	\$3 48	\$12,038 78	\$2,973 83	\$2,396,711 61
August	2,903,863 48	48,953 92	19,193 34	2,972,010 74	17,565 10	595 00	1 21	18,161 31	2,846 16	2,993,018 21
September .	10,472,373 46	78,884 26	31,284 13	10,582,543 90	164,402 58	1,009 80	15 08	165,427 46	4,036 02	10,752,007 38
October ...	2,422,355 69	113,085 81	20,771 63	2,556,213 13	24,578 60	705 00	3 70	25,287 30	1,729 80	2,583,230 23
November .	1,984,084 50	1,379 95	20,578 60	2,006,043 05	8,654 15	7 00	13 29	8,674 44	.....	2,014,717 49
December .	10,843,481 45	7,455 70	35,712 65	10,886,649 80	169,424 31	362 00	13 62	169,799 93	{ *253 40 1,928 18	253 40 11,058,377 91
Total....	30,880,727 01	363,749 61	140,681 00	31,385,159 62	396,393 04	2,945 80	50 38	399,389 22	13,767 39	31,798,316 23

* Account current for Chicago agency for month of December not in; amount approximated.—Agents' Division.

APPENDIX F.

In relation to the estimates for new engine and two elevators for Pension Office building. (See page 11.)

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, PENSION OFFICE,
Washington, D. C., February 24, 1886.

SIR: My purpose in addressing you this communication is to ask your attention, and through you the attention of the architect of the Pension building, to a matter which, it seems to me, is of sufficient importance to warrant me in so doing and to command consideration.

The present arrangement for supplying the Pension building with water is defective, and at times it is impossible to obtain sufficient for the ordinary daily purposes of the office. In case of emergency, such as fire, or under any circumstances when an unusual quantity might be required, we would be unable to obtain it, and as a consequence would be powerless to do effective service.

The pressure on the mains from the outside is supposed to be great enough to force the water onto the second floor of the building, but frequently during the last two or three months to obtain water from this source has failed, and for as long as twenty-four hours at a time we have been without water, other than that carried in buckets, on this floor.

The third floor is supplied from water pumped into a tank located in the attic over the stairway of the west entrance to the building. This tank is of less than 1,000 gallons capacity. It is supposed to supply water for 16 closets, 10 wash-basins, 5 urinals, and 2 sinks. To do this it is emptied once in every hour, or about seven times every day during office hours. But recently, when there was a lack of water on the lower or second floor, I found it necessary to connect the closets, urinals, wash-basins, and sinks on this floor with this tank, and to supply both floors the tank is emptied once in about every forty minutes during office hours. In case of accident to the engine, which at best is a frail and uncertain piece of machinery, or to the pump, or to the water mains anywhere outside of the building, even this limited supply would be cut off, and the situation would be very serious.

If I am correctly informed, it will be not less than two, and perhaps three or four, years before the new reservoir now in course of construction is completed, and until this is done the entire supply of water for the third floor, and at least a portion of the supply for the second floor, must be obtained from a tank.

The tank now in use is not of sufficient capacity to supply the quantity of water necessary for the ordinary every-day purposes of the building, to say nothing of an emergency when an extraordinary quantity might be required.

I therefore suggest that a tank of not less than 12,000 gallons capacity be put in, in the place of the small one now in use, and that General Meigs be requested to take this matter into consideration in asking Congress for an appropriation for the completion of the building. Such a tank can be put in with perfect safety and at no very great expense, and it seems to me the building will be incomplete without it. With a tank of 12,000 gallons capacity we could always have at least a twenty-four hours supply of water on hand, and in case of accident to either engine, pump, or the mains, would be prepared for it.

I have the honor to be, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

W. F. SCHUCKERS,
Superintendent of Buildings.

Hon. J. C. BLACK,
Commissioner of Pensions.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, PENSION OFFICE,
Washington, D. C., February 26, 1886.

SIR: In the estimates presented to Congress by General Meigs for an appropriation to complete the Pension Office building, no mention is made of elevators and the machinery to run them. I am told that General Meigs is of opinion that the elevators properly come under the head of "furniture," and should be put in by the Department. The cost of two elevators and machinery to operate them will be from \$8,000 to \$12,000. If not put in by General Meigs this expense will have to come out of the contingent fund or Congress asked to make a special appropriation for the purpose.

I call your attention to this matter, that you may take such action as you deem necessary.

I have the honor to be, yours, truly,

W. F. SCHUCKERS,
Superintendent of Buildings.

General J. C. BLACK,
Commissioner.

APPENDIX G.

In relation to the estimate "Telegraphing and purchase of Indian supplies." (See page 11.)

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS.

SIR: In explanation of the item of \$5,000, under appropriation "Telegraphing and purchase of Indian supplies," embraced in the deficiency estimates for the Indian service for the fiscal year 1886 and prior years, I have the honor to state that this sum will be needed to meet liabilities hereafter to be incurred to complete the purchase and inspection of supplies, including advertising and telegraphing, for the fiscal year 1886.

The appropriation under this title for the current fiscal year is \$35,000, while for the fiscal years 1883 and 1885 the amount appropriated was \$40,000 and for the fiscal year 1884 \$46,000.

The law requires this office to advertise three weeks for proposals for all expenditures over \$500, unless an exigency exists, when, in the discretion of the Secretary of the Interior, he may direct that purchases may be made in open market in amount not exceeding \$3,000. Under this law this office is compelled to incur frequent and large liabilities on account of advertising, and these liabilities, added to the expenditures necessarily incurred on account of warehouse and employes, rigid inspection of supplies, and telegraphing on account of the Indian service, generally absolutely requires the appropriation of the additional amount estimated for.

Very respectfully,

J. D. C. ATKINS, *Commissioner.*

The SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR.

APPENDIX H.

In relation to the estimate "Fulfilling treaty with Seminoles." (See page 11.)

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, SECOND AUDITOR'S OFFICE,
Washington, D. C., September 10, 1885.

SIR: Replying to an oral inquiry from your office in relation to the disbursement of certain funds belonging to the Seminole Indians by the late Douglas H. Cooper, United States Indian agent, I have the honor to say that on the settlement of said Cooper's accounts, from April, 1858, to May, 1861, it was found that he had used Seminole treaty funds to pay expenses properly chargeable to the appropriations for "pay of superintendents and agents" and "contingencies of the Indian Department." If his accounts had been finally adjusted while these appropriations were subject to draft, the Seminole funds could have been reimbursed by an actual transfer of the amount involved; but before such settlement was reached the unexpended balances of said appropriations were carried to the surplus fund, and the only way in which the agent's accounts could be closed was by making a nominal transfer, or entry, under section 5, act March 3, 1875 (18 Stat., 418). Accordingly, on March 27, 1885, a transfer requisition was issued by the Secretary of the Interior, charging \$439.66 to "pay of superintendents and agents" and \$2,181.94 to "contingencies of the Indian Department," and the amount, \$2,621.60, was carried by counter requisition to the nominal credit of "fulfilling treaty with Seminoles." These requisitions adjusted the matter so far as the accounts of Agent Cooper are concerned, but the Seminoles have derived no benefit from the transaction. Their tribal funds to the extent of \$2,621.60 remain diverted from the purpose for which they were set apart in fulfillment of treaty stipulations.

A somewhat similar misapplication of funds belonging to the Creek Indians was reported upon by this office May 1, 1884, and was promptly remedied by Congress, as will be seen by referring to Executive Document No. 115, House of Representatives, Forty-eighth Congress, second session, pages 27 and 52, and the deficiency act approved March 3, 1885 (23 Stat., 463, 464).

In view of these facts, I suggest that Congress be asked to reappropriate \$439.66 on account of "pay of superintendents and agents" and \$2,181.94 on account of "contingencies of the Indian Department," the whole to be carried to the credit of "fulfilling treaty with Seminoles."

Very respectfully,

WM. A. DAY, *Auditor.*

The Hon. COMMISSIONER OF INDIAN AFFAIRS.

APPENDIX I.

In relation to the estimate, "Support of Indians at Fort Peck Agency." (Page 11.)

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, SECOND COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
Washington, D. C., August 4, 1883.

SIR: I have the honor to return herewith the papers presented by Isaac G. Baker, wherein he claims \$5,820.20 as compensation for 162 head of beef cattle, alleged to have been delivered under his contract for furnishing beef at the Fort Peck Indian Agency, Montana, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1879.

The claim has been presented for the approval of the accounting officers in order that a balance may be certified to Congress for appropriation at the next session.

In forwarding the claim to me you express the opinion that the case is not one coming properly within the jurisdiction of the accounting officers, and for that reason alone have declined to approve the same.

The case, briefly stated, is as follows:

On the 21st of June, 1879, Isaac G. Baker entered into contract with the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, wherein Mr. Baker agreed to furnish 700,000 pounds of beef cattle at Fort Peck Agency, at the rate of \$2.40 per 100 pounds gross, less 20 per cent. for cows. He also agreed that the cattle should be furnished at such times and in such quantities as should be required by the Indian agent in charge.

In compliance with a requisition from the Indian Department for beef, the contractor caused a herd of cattle to be driven to the agency for delivery, and while in the act of complying with the demand of the Department, and at a short distance from the agency, and before inspecting and weighing the same, the cattle were stampeded and part of the same forcibly taken from the custody of the contractor, slaughtered and used by the Indians for whom the delivery was intended. The remainder of the herd was delivered, inspected, weighed, and accepted by the Indian agent, and payment made for the same.

It appears that the claim received the unqualified approval of the Interior Department, and while the Board of Indian Commissioners were satisfied that the cattle had been taken by and for the use and benefit of the same Indians for whom they were intended, they entertained doubt whether the transaction constituted such a delivery under the contract as would authorize its adjudication by the Executive Departments. On this point, and in speaking of the claim, the Secretary of the Interior expressed himself as follows: "It is shown to be meritorious and to have originated under such circumstances as to be a proper case for adjudication by the Executive Department."

I entirely agree with the Secretary of the Interior, that the claim is meritorious and ought to be paid, and regret that my judgment leads me to the conclusion that there was not such a complete delivery of the cattle as would authorize me in certifying a balance.

The contractor was at the agency, in compliance with his obligation to deliver the cattle to the United States for the Indians, and, for want of sufficient protection, the very Indians for whom the beef was intended took and consumed them, although not in a lawful manner. No fault or negligence has been imputed to the contractor, and no loss has been sustained by any person except the contractor.

In view of these facts, I respectfully request that all the papers be forwarded to the Secretary of the Interior, with a recommendation that this claim be included in his estimates and recommendation to Congress for appropriation, the unexpended balance of the fund provided for beef at this agency having been carried to the surplus fund.

Very respectfully,

W. W. UPTON,
Comptroller.

Hon. O. FERRISS,
Second Auditor.