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FROM

THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY,

TRANSMITTING,

*In response to Senate resolution of the 21st ultimo, copies of all papers in his office relative to the settlement of the accounts of Dexter E. Clapp, late agent of the Crow Indians, Montana Territory.*

JANUARY 12, 1881.—Referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs and ordered to be printed.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,  
January 11, 1881.

SIR: In obedience to Senate resolution of the 21st ultimo, directing the Secretary of the Treasury to transmit to the Senate copies of all papers in his office relative to the settlement of the accounts of Dexter E. Clapp, late agent of the Crow Indians, Montana Territory, I have the honor to inclose herewith duly authenticated copies of the following papers, viz:

Statement of the money account of late Indian Agent Clapp, showing a balance due the United States of \$54,820.79.

Statement of differences arising in the examination of said money account.

Report of the Second Auditor of the Treasury, admitted and certified by the Second Comptroller the 22d day of May, 1880.

Letter of the Second Auditor of the Treasury, dated the 28th ultimo.

Very respectfully,

JOHN SHERMAN,  
*Secretary of the Treasury.*

Hon. WILLIAM A. WHEELER,  
*President of the United States Senate.*

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,  
January 11, 1881.

Pursuant to section 882 of the Revised Statutes, I hereby certify that the annexed are true copies of original papers on file in this department.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Treasury Department to be affixed, on the day and year first above written.

[SEAL.]

JOHN SHERMAN,  
*Secretary of the Treasury.*

## ACCOUNTS OF DEXTER E. CLAPP.

Statement of differences arising in the examination of the account of Dexter E. Clapp as U. S. Indian Agent at Crow Agency, Montana T<sup>y</sup>., from December 7th, 1874, to October 21st, 1876, inclusive, under bonds of October 29, 1874, & May 20th, 1875, bondsmen being the same on each bond.

	Balance due the United States, p <sup>r</sup> official statement.....	54,820 79
	Agent p <sup>r</sup> his last $\frac{3}{4}$ current renders his act. balanced.	
	Add his claim as herewith filed for salary from July 1st, 1876, to October 21st, 1876, inclusive, being 3 mos. & 21 days, not charged in his $\frac{3}{4}$ current .....	460 47
	Add also his claim as herewith filed for travelling expenses on his journey from his agency to his home in Kansas from Oct. 21 to Dec. 2d, 1876, as per itemized bill rendered for the sum of 265.13, less \$3.00 disallowed as paid to waiters, &c., & not chgd. in $\frac{3}{4}$ current .....	262 13
	Difference.....	55,543 39
	Accounted for as follows:	
	<i>Fractional 4th q<sup>r</sup>., 1874.</i>	
Abst. A	C. J. Bachelder, cook stove & furniture .....	60 0 <sup>0</sup>
Vou. 4	"Agent will explain the necessity of this purchase. It appears from the cash account of agent's predecessor that he purchased a large number of cook stoves."	
	Suspended by 2d Compt. office .....	60 00
" 5	Horace Countryman, 5 yd. drafting vellum .....	\$10 75
	"Agent certifies that this purchase was necessary for the public service, but fails to state what it particularly needed. A full explanation is required."	
	Suspended by 2d Compt. office .....	10 75
Abst. B	S. R. Shankland, farmer .....	61 15
Vou. 4	For pay from Dec. 7th to 31st, 1874, incl., at \$900 p <sup>r</sup> annum.	
	"Agent is required to explain what service as farmer did this man perform which entitled him to compensation as such."	
	Suspended by 2d Compt. office (F. F. Tr <sup>'</sup> ty Crows, '75) .....	61 15
" 5, B	D. F. McMillan, 2d blacksmith .....	61 15
	For services at Crow Agency from Dec. 7 to 31, 1874.	
	"The treaty of 1868 only calls for one blacksmith, except on condition that 100 or more Indians shall enter upon the cultivation of the soil, when a 2d blacksmith shall be provided, &c. Such conditions not having been complied with by the Indians, the necessity for 2 blacksmiths and an apprentice must be shown." "Agent in his annual report, 1875, states that no agricultural work was done by Indians, & only 14 acres cultivated by government employees."	
	Disallowed by 2d Comptroller's office (F. F. Tr <sup>'</sup> ty Crows, '75) .....	61 15
" 7, B	Matthew Bird, teacher .....	61 15
" 10, "	Ruth A. Noteware, matron .....	33 96
" 11, "	Pluma A. Noteware, asst. matron .....	33 96
		129 07
	REMARKS TO THE 3 LAST VOUCHERS.—"It is understood by the accounting officers in this dept. from information deemed reliable, that no schools were organized or in existence at all during the time pay was claimed for. Agent is required to state the date when the school was organized, the number of scholars in attendance generally, and such other facts as will satisfy the accounting officers that a school did exist, properly organized and in full operation at that time."	
	Suspended in 2d Audt. office (F. F. Tr <sup>'</sup> ty Crows, '75) .....	129 07
Vou. 8, B	Thomas Lewis, miller .....	39 13
	Paid as miller from Dec'r 7th to 31, 1874, at \$900 per annum.	
	"It appears from official reports that there was no grain to grind & no mill to grind it. What service did this man actually perform, & what was the necessity for such service. A full explanation is required."	
	Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr <sup>'</sup> ty Crows, '75) .....	39 13
Vou. 21, B	J. A. Smith, cook .....	41 66
" 22, "	John Mills .....	41 66
		83 32
	REMARKS TO LAST 2 VOUCHERS.—"Agent will furnish information who these parties cooked for."	
	Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr <sup>'</sup> ty Crows, '75) .....	83 32
" 25, B	James McNamara, carpenter .....	61 15
	Paid from Dec'r 7 to 31st, 1874, at \$900 per annum.	
	"Agent must furnish evidence under oath that this man was by trade a carpenter and worked at such trade during the time he was paid for."	
	Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr <sup>'</sup> ty Crows, '75) .....	61 15
" 26, B	Edward Quinn, meals, &c., furnished employees .....	23 50
" 27, B	George W. Wakfield, boarding, lodging, &c., furnished employees .....	24 60
		48 10
	REMARKS TO LAST 2 VOUCHERS.—"An itemized bill of each voucher giving dates & names of employees, number of meals, lodging, &c., must be furnished & supported by sub-vouchers, that the reasonableness of the charges may be passed upon in making up the accounts; also a statement is required as to the necessity for the absence of agent from the agency."	
	Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (incidentals, '75) .....	48 10

Account of Dexter E. Clapp—Continued

Vou. 30, B	Dexter E. Clapp, agent, trav. expenses.....	70 12	
	Agent certifies to & rec'pts for only .....	59 37	
		10 75	
	Disallowed by Indian Office (incidentals, '75) .....		10 75
	1st qr., 1875.		
Abst. A	J. B. & J. V. Bogart, supplies .....	223 25	
Vou. 1	" This is an informal voucher without certificate of agent or receipt of claimant for the money paid him; besides the sum total only is given. No prices named for the various articles charged for. A new voucher embracing the above points required."		
	Suspended by the Indian Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '75) .....		223 25
Vou. 2, A	Wm. W. Morris, supplies .....	16 50	
	Items: 2 galls. linseed oil .....	5 00	
	" 1 " varnish .....	8 00	
	" 1 " turpentine .....	2 00	
	" 2 thermometers .....	1 50	
	REMARKS.—"Agent will explain what the particular exigency was or necessary for such articles, besides the prices seem exorbitant."		
	Suspended by 2d Aud't Office (incidentals, '75) .....		16 50
Vou. 3, A	Rich & Wilson, supplies .....	22 75	
	Item: 1 school bell .....	\$3 00	
	7 p'r shoes .....	16 00	
	2½ yds. oil-cloth .....	3 75	
		22 75	
	"Agent certifies that the exigency of the service would not admit of the delay incident to advertising—that the articles were for the use and benefit of the Indian children attending school at the agency, &c." Remarks to vouchers to 7, 10, & 11, fract. 4th qr., 1874, apply.		
	Suspended by 2d Audt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '75) .....		22 75
" 4, A	S. L. Holtzman & Bro., supplies .....	24 50	
	"Agent certifies that these articles were purchased for the use of the school at the agency." Remarks to vouchers 7, 10, 11, fractl. 4th qr., 1874, apply.		
	Suspended by 2d Audt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '75) .....		24 50
" 5, A	Elias Story, 4 horses .....	\$425 00	
	"Agent fails to give prices singly for these horses. He certifies that the exigency for this purchase was caused on account of not finding any horses at the agency fit for use, & that he was compelled to make this purchase. Agent must explain why he did not comply with the law in regard to such purchases. Also succeeding purchases of horses from same parties show that prices paid for these are exorbitant. Price paid for each animal should be given—the cause or exigency set forth not deemed sufficient by the accounting officers."		
	Suspended as recommended by 2d Compt. Office (incidentals, '75) .....		425 00
Vou. 7, B	C. L. Clapp, services as miller from January 1st to March 31st, 1875, incl., at \$900 per annum .....	\$225 00	
	"Agent is required to furnish affidavit of some responsible person that knew this man before his employment at Crow Agency that he was a miller by trade. Agent is also required to furnish a statement of the amount of work done at the mill for this quarter, giving the number of bushels of grain ground at the agency mill & who the owners of the grain were."		
	Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '75) .....		225 00
Vou. 8, B	Silas Baker, farmer .....	225 00	
	Paid from January 1st to March 31, 1875, incl., at \$900.00 per annum.		
	"As no agricultural work was performed by the Indians, why was it necessary to employ such labor at such a salary?"		
	Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty, Crows, '75) .....		225 00
" 15, B	James McNamara, carpenter .....	\$55 00	
	From January 1st to 22d, 1875, incl., at \$900 per annum.		
	Remarks to Vou. 25, fractioul. 4th qr., 1874, apply.		
	Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '75) .....		55 00
" 16, B	James McNamara, detective .....	170 00	
	From January 23d to March 31st, 1875, at \$75.00 per month.		
	"Agent will furnish statement under oath that this man was actually & continuously employed and rendered service to the government as claimed."		
	Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (incidentals) .....		170 00
Vou. 19, B	John Mills, cook .....	150 00	
" 23, "	J. A. Smith, " .....	150 00	
		300 00	
	Paid from Jan'y 1 to March 31, 1875, incl., for each of above vouchers, \$50 per mo.		
	Remarks to vouchers 21 & 22 fract'l 4th qr., 1874, apply.		
	Suspended by Compt. Office (incidentals, '75) .....		300 00
" 12, B	Matthew Bird, teacher .....	225 00	
" 26, B	Ruth A. Noteware, matron .....	125 00	
" 27, "	Pluma A. Noteware, asst. matron .....	125 00	
		475 00	
	Remarks to vouchers 7, 10, 11, fract'l 4th qr., 1874, apply to last 3 vouchers.		
	Suspended by 2d Audt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '75) .....		475 00

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Abs't B	D. F. McMillan, as 2d blacksmith .....	225 00	
Vou. 30, B	Paid from January 1st to March 31, 1875, incl. at \$900 per annum. Remarks to voucher 5, fract'l 4th qr., apply. Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '75).....		225 00
" 41, A	Rich & Wilson, 180 pounds tobacco, at 70c. per lbs. ....	128 00	
	REMARKS.—"Agent Clapp was instructed by the Commissioner of Indian Affairs to purchase certain supplies in lieu of the annuity goods which were detained transit, but said supplies were to be purchased in accordance with law, which (instruction) he disobeyed, however, by purchasing said supplies in open market, & gives in explanation his reasons for so doing—that had he advertised for proposals for furnishing said goods & supplies, it would have ruined the prices in the territory. This explanation is not satisfactory to the accounting officers, and does not excuse agent in disobeying his instructions & violating the law in purchasing supplies for the Indian service." Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '75).....		128 00
Vou. 43, A	S. H. Osborn, medical supplies. ....	81 15	
	Item: 1 gallon sp'ts furmento (whiskey) 6.25 & $\frac{1}{2}$ gal. port wine 4 .....	\$10 25	
	"Agent will certify what disposition was made of these articles. A certificate from the agency physician that it was used for medical purposes, in the treatment of the Indians is required." Suspended by 2d Comptroller's Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '75).....		10 25
" 45, B	Edward Quinn, supplies .....	98 40	
	For meals and horse feed for employees visiting Bozeman, from Jan'y 1st to March 31, 1875.		
" 46, B	George W. Wakefield, for furnishing meals & lodgings to employees, & stabling & forage for horses, in visiting the city of Bozeman from January 1, 1875, to March 31, 1875, inclusive.....	151 00	
	249 40		
	Remarks to vouchers 26 & 27, fract'l 4th qr., 1874, will apply to vouchers 45 & 46, above last named. Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (incidentals, '75).....		249 40
Abs't A	Rich & Wilson, hats & muslin .....	162 19	
Voucher 31	Gaus & Klein, clothing and calico.....	1,940 42	
" 33	" " supplies .....	78 45	
" 34	Elias Story, 2,800 cartridges .....	168 00	
" 38	" " 240 3 pt. blankets, 5.75 ea.....	1,380 00	
" 39			
		3,729 16	
	Remarks to vou. 41 applies to last 5 vouchers. Suspended by 2d Compt. (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '75).....		3,729 16
Abs't A	Rich & Wilson, supplies .....	280 00	
Vou. 40	REMARKS.—"This voucher was suspended by the Indian Office for explanations as to apparent high prices & the exigency which made it necessary to purchase the articles mentioned at such rates. Agent's explanations rec'd up to this time not being satisfactory to the accounting officers of the Treasury, the 2d Comptroller adds to the suspension the remarks to voucher 41, this quarter. Therefore the suspension is continued for further explanation, as recommended by the 2d Compt. Office" (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '75) 2d qr., 1875.		280 00
Vou. 3	A. M. Quivey, special messenger to River Crows, from Jan'y 21 to March 31, 1875, incl., being two months & 10 days, at 50 p'r month.....	116 67	
	REMARKS.—"As Agent Clapp's predecessor appeared to need only the services of one messenger for the River Crows, and nothing appearing on the records of the Indian Office as an exigency or authority for the employment of two persons to perform such service for the same time, this voucher will be disallowed by 2d Compt. Office" (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '75).....		116 67
" 6	D. F. McMillan, 2d blacksmith.....	225 00	
	From April 1st to June 30, 1875, incl., at \$900.00 p'r annum. Remarks to voucher 5, 4th qr., and vou. 30, 1st qr., 1875, apply. Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '75).....		225 00
Abs't A	Elias Story, 13,334 needle-cartridges, at \$60 p'r M .....	800 00	
Vou. 9	REMARKS.—"Agent certifies that he was compelled to make this purchase on account of his going to work on the new agency building, & that he could not procure a guard of soldiers. This explanation cannot be accepted without a statement from the commanding officer that a guard was asked for & could not be furnished; besides, the record of correspondence between the agent and Commissioner of Indian Affairs does not show that a guard of soldiers had been asked for, or that it was necessary to have one." Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '75).....		800 00
" 10, A	Rich & Wilson, supplies .....	\$515 06	
	Item: 1 saddle .....	30 00	
	" 1 stove .....	62 00	
	REMARKS.—"What kind of a saddle was this, and what was the necessity for the purchase of a stove when there were so many like purchases made by agent's predecessor, James Wright, and by Agent Clapp himself in the 4th qr., 1874? The remainder of voucher will stand suspended, with items above named, until a satisfactory explanation as to said items; also as to the reason why he did not comply with the law in reference to the purchases of supplies."		

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		Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '75) .....	516 06
		Item: 48 cases of axle greese, at 55c. each .....	26 50
		Should be .....	26 40
		Overp'd .....	10c
		Suspended by the Indian Office.	
Abst.	A		
Vou.	1	Gaus & Klein, supplies .....	1,042 50
		Item: 24 doz. butcher knives, at 9 00.	
		" 2,024 yds. muslin, at 15c. per yd.	
		" 740 pounds of tobacco, 70c. per lb.	
		Remarks to vouchers 31, 33, 34, 40, 38 & 39, 1st qr., 1875, will apply to this.	
		Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '75) .....	1,042 50
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Vou.	2	Milo Seketer, 5,500 lbs. potatoes, at 2c. per lb. (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '75).	110 00
	A		
	8	W. H. Tracy, 7,453 lbs. potatoes, 1½c. (F. F. Tr'ty River Crows, '75) ....	111 75
	A		
	15	White Calfe, 8,188 " 1½c. (F. F. Tr'ty River Crows, '75) ....	143 29
			365 04
		"Agent's explanations of the exigency that compelled him to make these purchases is not sufficient. Agent will explain how it could occur that the River Crows surprised him with this sudden and unexpected visit when he had two regular messengers between his agency and their camp. A full and complete statement under oath must be furnished, showing what disposition was made of these purchases, also the date when agent commenced supplying the employees with rations & his authority therefor."	
		Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '75) .....	365 04
	D		
	4	Walter Cooper, guns, &c. ....	489 02
		"Agent fails to state his authority under which these purchases were made & does not certify what the exigency was that required the purchase & immediate delivery of these articles."	
		Suspended by the Indian Office (F. F. Tr'ty River Crows, '75) .....	489 02
Vou.	13	Pluma A. Noteware, asst. matron .....	98 90
	14	Ruth A. Noteware, matron .....	98 90
	30	Matthew Bird, teacher .....	225 00
	84	Mrs. O. J. Baker, matron .....	31 66
	106	R. F. May, bill of school books .....	48 55
			503 01
		Remarks to vouchers 7, 10, & 11, fractl. 4th qr., 1874, apply to last 5 vouchers.	
		Suspended by 2d Audt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '75) .....	503 01
	"	17 Elias Story: item 4,000 cartridges .....	495 00
		" 1,000 yds. muslin .....	
		" 500 " ticking .....	
		Remarks to voucher 41, qr. 1875, apply.	
		Suspended by 2d Compt. Office, (F. F. Tr'ty River Crows) .....	495 00
	"	18 J. B. & J. V. Bogart, supplies .....	336 49
		This voucher embraces all articles, being the entire amount charged in vou. 1, 1st qr., '75, & suspended in said qr., amounting to .....	223 25
		Bal. ....	113 24
		"This balance of \$113.24 is suspended for same reason as given in vou. 1, 1st qr., '75, except that this voucher appears to be properly certified to by agent & am't receipted for by claimant. Other causes or reasons for suspension remain, as former explanations are not satisfactory."	
		Suspended by Indian Office (F. F. Tr'ty River Crows, '75) .....	113 24
	"	19 C. L. Clapp, services as miller from April 1st to June 30, 1875, at \$900 per annum .....	225 00
		Remarks to voucher 7, 1st qr., 1875, apply.	
		Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '75) .....	225 00
	D		
	"	22 John A. Smith, laborer, from April 1st to June 30, 1875, at \$50 per month. 150 00	
		"Agent reports this man on roll of employees as cook; he will state under oath as to actual service performed."	
		Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty River Crows, '75) .....	150 00
Vou.	31	Frank M. Murray, detective .....	54 40
		Paid from May 25th to June 15, 1875, at \$75 pr. mo.	
		"Did this man use a gov't animal in the performance of his duty?" Remarks to voucher 92 apply.	
		Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty River Crows, '75) .....	54 40
	"	32 Frank M. Murray, laborer, work on agency building at new agency from June 16 to 30, 1875 = 15 days, at 75.00 pr. mo .....	37 50
		"Agent is required to state under oath what special work this man performed that entitled him to receive \$25.00 pr. month more than a majority of other employees."	
		Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '75) .....	37 50
	"	37 Michael Flaherty, engineer, from April 26 to June 30, 1875, being 64 days, at \$75.00 pr. month .....	160 00
		"This man's name does not appear on roll of employes for this (2 qr. 1875). The name of Bryant Goodwin does appear on said roll as engineer, and agent's pay-roll shows that he was paid as such."	





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	name must be given. Also the reason why this name was not reported on roll of employ for this quarter. This voucher, less amt. disallowed, will stand suspended until satisfactory explanation as to points above indicated are furnished."	
"	95	Suspended by the 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '75)..... 68 32 Ambrose P. Fox, hire of team. One four horse team from May 21 to June 30, 1875, being 39 days, at \$50 per mo..... 65 00 "Agent certifies that the team was used in hauling provisions from the old to the new agency. How could this be? He was then only getting ready to build. Besides, there are six Sundays within the time paid for. Agent is required to furnish a complete statement of this transaction, and why he paid for the use of team on the Sabbath if they were not employed. He will also state who drove and subsisted this team. Were the employes subsisted by the government. A full explanation is required."
Vou.	97	Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty, Crows, '75)..... 65 00 A. M. Quivey, messenger, paid from April 1 to June 30, 1875, being 3 mos., at \$50 per mo..... 150 00 REMARKS BY 2D AUDITOR.—"Agent must explain the necessity for the employment of two messengers at same time, or even one." Suspended by 2d Audt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty River Crows)..... 150 00 REMARKS BY 2D COMPT. OFFICE.—"Agent is referred to vou. 3 of this qr. for further remarks to this voucher."
"	99	Rich & Wilson, saddles & bridles..... 452 67 Paid for 14 saddles, at \$30 ea..... 420 00 & " " 14 bridles, at \$2.33½ ea..... 32 67 "Agent certifies that he was authorized to make this purchase by the Hon. Commissioner of Indian Affairs, and that he advertised for bids, but rec'd none, except one, & that was in connection with an offer including horse, which he could not except, & was therefore obliged to purchase in open market. This explanation is not satisfactory. Agent fails show the necessity or exigency for this purchase. He had saddles & bridles on hand when this purchase was made."
Vou.	100	Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty River Crows, '75)..... 452 67 Elias Story, supplies, &c., paid for 117 cavalry jackets, \$2.00 ea..... 233 00 Remarks to Vou. 41, 1st qr., 1875.
"	104	Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '75)..... 234 00 Rich & Wilson, supplies..... 554 94 Item: 117 pounds of mule shoes, 22½c. per lb..... 26 55 Should be..... 26 32
		Overpaid..... 22 Disallowed by the Indian Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '75)..... 22 REMARKS BY 2D COMPT. OFFICE.—"Item of stove and furniture, \$40.00: For whom was this purchase made, & what was the necessity or exigency for the same? This entire voucher, less overpayment disallowed, 22c., will stand suspended until satisfactory explanations are furnished as to the above-mentioned items of stove and furniture, also to remarks to voucher 41, 1st qr., '75."
"	105	Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '75)..... 554 72 Nelson Story, oxen and plows..... 300 00 "Agent certifies that he made this purchase in accordance with authority granted in a letter from the Indian Office, of date March 4th, 1875, & that the articles were needed for immediate use, &c. This is not satisfactory. The instructions in the letter referred to were that agent should purchase in accordance with law; and in regard to the immediate necessity, there was none, judging from agent's report, as there was no cultivation of the soil by the Indians this year (1875)."
Vou.	107	Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '75)..... 300 00 Elias Story, supplies. For 128½ lbs. of tobacco, at 70c. per lb..... 90 20 & " 10½ lbs. powder, at 68c. p'r lb..... 6 97
		97 17 "Agent will explain the necessity for the purchase of tobacco. It is understood by 2d Comptroller that the annuity tobacco was received by him a few days previous to this transaction. He is also required to state who this Elias Story was, and if he was not the trader at that agency. Agent will also furnish this office with the date of arrival of the ammunition at the agency." Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Treaty Crows, '75)..... 97 17
		<i>Third quarter, 1875.</i>
Vou.	6	Walter Cooper, ammunition..... 237 90 Item: 1 Sharp's Creedmoor rifle & fixtures, \$161.00, & 200 cartridges for the same, \$14; amounting to..... \$175 00 "Agent is required to furnish a statement from some officer of the Army at Ft. Ellis, M. T., who has seen this rifle, & will certify that the price paid was reasonable and just, and that it was necessary for the protection of the employes at the new agency from the hostile Sioux, &c. The remainder of this voucher, \$62 90, will stand suspended until agent furnish a statement in detail of the disposition made of 13,334 cartridges purchased of Elias Story May 13th, only ten days previous to this purchase." Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '75)..... 237 90
Vou.	18	White Calfe, hire of mule-team & wagon, &c., from July 6 to Aug. 18, being 1 mo. & 13 days, \$25.00 pr. mo..... 35 83 "Agent will inform this office who drove this team." Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '75)..... 35 83

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Vou.	19	White Calfie, laborer, paid from July 16 to Aug. 18, 1875, incl., at \$50 pr. mo. .... 71 66 REMARKS.—"It appears that this man was the owner of the team & wagon, &c., called for in voucher 18. Agent is required to state if this man did not drive and take care of his own team, and if so, why pay such exorbitant compensation." Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76) ..... 71 66	
"	39	L. M. Black, freighting, &c., paid for transporting 4,244 lbs. of freight from the old to the new agency, at 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. pr. lb. .... 63 66 "Agent Clapp in his explanations to suspensions made to certain vouchers in the 2d qr. '75, states that the agency teams were continually passing to & fro from the old to the new agency. Why didn't the agency teams perform this service, and why employ another party when there were so many teams employed by the day and month, and at exorbitant rates?" Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76) ..... 63 66 "Agent will also state how many buildings were completed when this transportation was done."	
Vou.	40	Rich & Wilson, supplies ..... 468 68 Item of 12 padlocks, at 1.83 $\frac{1}{2}$ , pd ..... 22 50 Should have been paid only ..... 20 00 Overpaid & disallowed ..... 50 Item: 93 & $\frac{3}{4}$ yds. muslin, at 12c. pr. yd. .... 11 61 Amount should be ..... 11 25 36 86	
"	68	Suspended and disallowed by the Indian Office (F. F. Tr'ty River Crows, '76). John Mills, laborer, paid from July 1 to Sept. 30, 1875, 3 months, at \$50 per month ..... 150 00 "What particular labor did this man perform at the new agency buildings? He appears in prior accounts of agent employed as cook; an affidavit from agent that this man was performing laborer's duty on the new buildings was required." Suspended by the 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76) ..... 150 00	86
"	81	A. J. Hunter, physician ..... 95 14 "Was paid Sept. 6 to 30th, 1875, 25 days at 1,400 per annum. Agent paid Dr. Grisdorf on vou. 35 this qr. for the 6th & 7th days of Sept., or from July 1st to Sept. 7th, incl. Therefore the payment to Doct. Hunter for the 6 & 7 of Sept., two days, at 1,400 per annum, will be disallowed by 2d Compt. Office" (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '75) ..... 7 61	
Vou.	82	W. H. Tracy, transportation ..... 15 28 "Paid for hauling 1,528 pounds of supplies and materials from Bozeman to the old agency, Sept. 4, 1875, at one cent per pound. Agent fails to specify in detail what these goods were. He certifies that no other means of transportation could be procured, and that the River Crows were at the old agency waiting for their annuities, intimating that these were the goods they were waiting for. Agent is required to furnish an itemized bill or list of the articles which make up the above No. of pounds freight (1,528). He is also required to state why he did not have the agency teams that were at Bozeman on the 3d, 4th, & 13th of Sept., 1875, do this hauling, or send some of the numerous teams he had employed by the day to do this work." Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76) ..... 15 28	
Vou.	85	C. L. Clapp, miller ..... 225 00 Paid July 1 to Sept. 30, 1875, 3 mos., at \$900 p'r annum. Remarks to vou. 7, 1st qr. 1875, apply. ADDITIONAL REMARKS.—"Agent is required to state when the mill at the new location was completed, the date also of the removal of the machinery from the old to the new, and when the new mill commenced operations." Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76) ..... 225 00	
Vou.	89	Thomas T. Jones, farmer ..... 58 69 Paid from Sept. 7 to 30, 24 days, at \$900 per annum. Remarks to voucher 8, 1st qr. 1875, apply. Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76) ..... 58 69	
"	95	M. Flaherty, 2d engineer ..... 300 00 Paid from July 1st to Sept. 30, 1875, incl., at \$100 per month. Remarks to vou. 37, 2d qr. 1875, apply. Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76) ..... 300 00	
"	97	Edward Everett, laborer ..... 116 66 Paid from July 1st to Sept. 30, 1875, incl., 2 months & ten days, at \$50 per month. REMARKS.—"As this man has been changed around from ferryman to laborer (lost time deducted), and finally in the last quarter of Agent Clapp's account he appears as owner of a ferry on the Yellowstone, claiming for crossing govt. employes, &c., agent is required to furnish information by affidavit giving a complete statement of this man's service." Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76) ..... 116 66	
"	106	W. T. Smith, laborer ..... 225 00 Paid from July 1st to Sept. 30, 1875, being 3 months, at \$75 p'r month. Remarks to vou. 70, 2d qr. 1875, apply. Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76) ..... 225 00	



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Vou.	115	D. F. McMillan, 2d blacksmith..... 173 64 Paid from July 1 to Sept. 11, 1875, incl., at \$900 p'r annum. Remarks to vou. 5, 4th qr. 1874, apply. Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76).....	173 64
Vou.	116	D. F. McMillan, wheelwright..... 51 62 Paid from Sept. 12 to 30th, incl., at \$900 per annum. REMARKS.—"It does not appear from Agent Clapp cash accounts that he had sufficient government wagons, &c., on hand to have made it necessary and for the good of the service to employ a wheelwright specially for that service when he had a regular carpenter authorized and allowed by the treaty. This man has also been carried on agent's roll of employes as 2d blacksmith and paid as such from 4th qr. 1874. It therefore becomes necessary for agent to show by statement under oath that this man was a skilled mechanic, both as a wheelwright & blacksmith, & supported by evidence of some other parties who is or was acquainted with this man D. F. McMillan in corroboration thereto." Suspended by 2d Compt Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76).....	51 62
	117	Geo. W. Wakefield, board of agent & employes at Bozeman on different dates from July 1 to Sept. 30, inclusive, amounting to ..... 151 50 REMARKS.—"Agent explains the suspension by Indian Office, that this expenditure was necessary for himself, employes, and guards visiting Bozeman City on official business, &c. This is not satisfactory to the accounting officers. Will agent explain to the accounting officers why it was necessary for himself or employes to be so often in Bozeman and why it was necessary for each employe that he should have one or two guards to accompany them, being only 35 miles from the agency, & how did it happen that during this quarter it was necessary to send the following employes to Bozeman when they are reported & paid as performing duty on the new agency building, 75 miles from the old station & 101 miles from Bozeman, &c. The following are the names of the employes referred to: Frank Murray, Haco A. Seal, A. P. Fox, Silas Baker, Mitch Boyer, and Alexander Hundly. Agent will also furnish the names of the parties that accompanied agent and employes to Bozeman as guards." A complete statement or explanation of this transaction, supported by affidavit, is required. ADDITIONAL REMARKS.—"Item: expenses, Frank Murray & 3 guards at Bozeman, Sept. 19 & 20, 1875. Agent will explain how it happens that Murray incurred this expense at Bozeman on these dates when Inspector Watkins reports him as being up the Yellowstone at that time attending an investigation." Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty River Crows, '75).....	151 50
	118	George W. Wakefield, freighting one thousand pounds of supplies..... 15 00 REMARKS.—"It appears that agent, himself, with other employes, were at Bozeman at this date. Why did he not have the agency team haul these goods?" Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76).....	15 00
Vou.	99	John Fraser, guard..... 150 00	150 00
"	100	Wm. Myres, "..... 150 00	150 00
"	101	E. McMillen, "..... 150 00	150 00
"	102	John F. Yancy, "..... 150 00	150 00
"	103	E. A. Jacobs, "..... 150 00	150 00
"	105	W. J. Purnell, "..... 125 00	125 00
"	113	Warren Allen, "..... 150 00	150 00
"	*114	J. A. Smith, "..... 125 00	125 00
"	129	Sees Ruis, "..... 150 00	150 00
"	132	A. M. Quivey, "..... 150 00	150 00
			1,450 00
<p>Three months each, at \$50 p. mo. REMARKS TO THE ABOVE VOUCHERS.—"Agent is required to furnish to the accounting officers a full and complete explanation of this transaction, giving in detail what duty the above-named employes actually performed, &amp; where they were located, and his reasons for not employing the friendly Indians to do this duty. He could have secured their services at a much less compensation. Agent is also required to file a certificate from the commander of Fort Ellis that he applied for a guard of soldiers &amp; that none could be spared for that purpose, &amp;c."</p>			
	*114	Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty River Crows, '76)..... ADDITIONAL REMARKS.—"J. A. Smith, in the list above-named guards, is reported on pay-roll of employes for this quarter as performing services as cook. An explanation is required. Suspended by 2d Compt. Office." Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty River Crows, '76).....	1,450 00
Vou.	121	L. E. Pearson, laborer at new agency, from August 6 to Sept. 11, 1875, being 37 days, at \$50 p'r month ..... \$60 18 "Agent fails to state what kind of labor this person performed at the new agency. A statement is required by affidavit, supported by the parties who were employed at the new agency, and saw this person perform labor. Is this person male or female?" Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty River Crows, '76).....	60 18
"	124	Silas Baker, farmer ..... 166 30 Paid from July 1st to Sept. 6, 1875, incl., being 2 months & 6 days, at \$900 p'r annum. Remarks to vou. 8, 4 q'r, 1874, applies Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76).....	166 30
"	125	Silas Baker, laborer, new agency, from Sept. 7th to 30, inclusive, being 24 days, at \$75.00 p'r month ..... 60 00 Remarks to vou. 122 applies, and in addition agent must state why he should pay this man \$25 p'r month increase over other laborers. Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76).....	60 00

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Vou.	128	Ellas Story, for sewing-machine ..... 105 00 REMARKS BY 2D AUDITOR.—“This purchase appears to be without authority, besides agent does not state kind, quality, or value, whether new or old, &c. A full explanation is required.” Suspended by 2d Aud't. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76) ..... 105 00 ADDITIONAL REMARKS BY 2D COMPTROLLER.—“Agent certifies that this purchase was made for the matron of the school. Inspector Watkins informs this office that there were no school at this time, therefore no necessity could have existed for the purchase for that purpose.”	
“	34	Matthew Bird, teacher ..... 225 00 “Agent will inform this office why he continued to pay this man when there was no school and no children to teach after the Indians moved to the new location. He will also explain why he did not comply with the order of Inspector Watkins, when he ordered this man to be discharged.” Suspended by the 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76) ..... 225 00	
“	74	Lewis W. Jackson, carpenter, from July 1 to Sept. 30, 1875, 3 mos., at \$100 p'r mo. .... 300 00 “As this man is reported and paid as engineer on the roll of the succeeding quarter, it is necessary for agent to confirm this transaction by affidavit of some outside parties that this man was a competent and skilled mechanic, both as a carpenter and engineer, and that he was continually employed at both occupations for the time he claimed compensation.” Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76) ..... 300 00	
Vou.	77	Mrs. O. S. Baker, matron ..... 150 00 Paid from July 1st to Sept. 30, 1875, at 50.00 per month. “Inspector Watkins informs this office that there was no school in existence, nor was there any convenience for a school. This statement is corroborated by Agent Clapp's successor, Mr. Carpenter.” Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76) ..... 150 00	
“	120	Elias Story, horses ..... 459 09 Item: 7 horses, at 64.87 each, should be 454.09, overpaid & disallowed 5.00 by the Indian Office (F. F. Tr'ty, '76) ..... 5 00 ADDITIONAL REMARKS BY 2D AUD. OFFICE.—“It appears that this purchase was not made in compliance with law. The reason or exigency for this purchase in this way, as shown by agents' certificate, is not deemed sufficient to justify a violation of the law requiring agents to advertise in such cases. Balance of voucher as charged therefore will stand.” Suspended by the 2d Audt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76) ..... 454 09	
“	126	Amelia Myers, washing ..... 10 00 Paid for washing clothing for Indian children from July 1 to Sept. 30, 1875. “Agent certifies that this expense was necessary, owing to the large amount of work that the matron had to perform at the boarding-school. Inspector Watkins states that there was no school at the time.” Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76) ..... 10 00	
“	130	Nelson Story, hire of teams ..... 1,953 00 Paid for 3 teams, from July 1st to 22d, 1875, inclusive, at \$7.00 per day, being 18 working days ..... 378 00 Also for 9 teams, from July 23d, 1875, to August 20, 1875, 25 days, at \$7 p'r day ..... 1,575 00 1,593 00 “Agent will inform this office if the gov't subsisted these teams & provided teamsters also.” Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76) ..... 1,953 00	
“	131	Nelson Gage, teaming ..... 102 00 “Agent fails sign certificate of payment or exigency upon this voucher.” Suspended by the Indian Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76) ..... 102 00 ADDITIONAL REMARKS BY 2D COMPT.—“Agent is referred to remarks to voucher 130 above.”	
“	133	Walter Cooper, arms and ammunition ..... 157 71 “There appears an unusually large number of fire-arms & ammunition purchased by Agent Clapp. He should comply with the law in making his purchases, as instructed & directed to do by hon. Commissioner of Indian Affairs; and as his agency was well provided with arms and ammunition purchased in prior quarters of his administration this voucher will stand suspended until a sufficient exigency is shown to have existed.” Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty River Crows) ..... 157 71	
“	134	Frank M. Murray, train master, from July 1 to Sept. 11, 1875, 2 mos. 10 days, at \$75 p'r mo. .... 175 00 “Agent will explain how it occurred that this man is reported and paid as train-master of agency teams plying between the old & new agency. He appears on voucher 117 as being a mail-carrier, or something of that sort, at Bozeman on July 16, Aug. 16, 17, & 18, 1875. Whose teams were those that he superintended, and where were the guards? This must be fully explained.” Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty River Crows, '76) ..... 175 00	
“	135	A. P. Fox, teaming ..... 75 00 “Mr. Fox does not sign receipt for the money paid him upon this voucher.” Suspended by the Ind. Office (F. F. Tr'ty River Crows, '76) ..... 75 00 ADDITIONAL REMARKS BY 2D COMPT. OFFICE.—“This man was paid hire of one-horse team for work on new agency building from July 1 to Sept. 15, incl., two months & one half month, at \$30 p'r mo. A new voucher is required. What particular work did this team do at the new agency?”	

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Vou.	137	Henry Keiser, laborer, from July 1 to Sept. 30, 1875, 3 mos., \$75 p'r mo. . . . .	225 00	
		"Agent will explain why he pays this man an increase of pay of \$25.00 p'r month over other laborers. Agent will state what particular labor this man performed that entitled him to such salary. Agent will also inform this office whether the agency employes (both regular and temporary) were subsisted by the government."		
		Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty River Crows, '76) . . . . .	225 00	
Vou.	138	Nelson Story, for hire of 5 ox teams, each team consisting of six yoke of oxen and two wagons, from August 21 to Sept. 30, 1875, incl., being 36 working days at \$7.00 p'r day . . . . .	1,260 00	
		Remarks to voucher 130 apply.		
		Additional remarks by 2d Compt. as follows: "Agent certifies that he received authority from the hon. Commissioner of Indian Affairs to hire teams, &c., which is true, but was limited by the same authority to the sum of \$3,720, to be expended for hire of extra teams, &c. This sum agent has largely exceeded. This voucher will therefore stand suspended until he shows that he was properly authorized to exceed the amount above named for that purpose."		
		Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76) . . . . .	1,260 00	
			818 20	
				441 80
"	139	Doct. G. W. Monroe, physician . . . . .	75 00	
		Item: Amount charged for hire of team from Bozeman to Old Crow Agency . . . . .	25 00	
		"This charge is disallowed as not being a proper charge against the government."		
		Suspended by 2d Audt. Office (incidentals, '76) . . . . .	25 00	
"	94	A. P. Fox, laborer, \$50.00 p'r mo. . . . .	125 00	
		Mitch Boyer, " " " " . . . . .	125 00	
		H. A. Searls, " " " " . . . . .	86 66	
		A. Hundly, " " " " . . . . .	150 00	
			486 66	
		"These four employes are reported as laborers on building at new agency, 101 miles from Bozeman & 75 miles from the old agency. On voucher 117 they are represented as being at Bozeman at various times between the dates they are paid, as performing service on buildings at new agency. This must all be explained: also the names of the guards who accompany them to Bozeman must be given."		
		Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76) . . . . .	486 66	
				\$25,443 36
Fourth quarter, 1875.				
Vou.	2	H. J. Hoppy, teaming . . . . .	310 50	
		Item paid for 5 ox teams, wagons, &c., at \$7.00 pr. day each, amounting to . . . . .	210 00	
		"Agent's property return show at this date that there was 18 oxen & 7 horses & 8 mules belonging to the agency. Agent must explain the necessity for engaging these teams. The number of days they were employed must also be given."		
		Suspended by the Indian Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76) . . . . .	210 00	
		ADDITIONAL REMARKS BY 2D COMPT.—"Agent was instructed by the hon. Commissioner of Indian Affairs in the 2d qr. 1875, that the sum of \$3,270.00 had been placed to his credit to be used for the hire of extra teams. It appears, however, that Agent Clapp has largely exceeded the sum thus authorized for that purpose, thereby failing to comply with his instructions. Agent will also give the names of the persons who drove these teams and by whom they were subsisted. A full explanation of this transaction must be furnished, agent's explanation to this suspension not being satisfactory."		
		Also, a further suspension by 2d Compt. of the item for getting out 16½ thousand feet of log timber, at \$6.00 per thousand, \$100.50.		
		REMARKS.—"Who measured these logs; and why was it necessary to employ this man when agent reports so many employes on his temporary roll as being engaged in this very duty during the 2d & 3d q'ts, 1875. An explanation is necessary, besides an affidavit of the party who measured the logs."		
		Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76) . . . . .	100 50	
Vou.	4	John Nye, freighting . . . . .	34 16	
		For transporting 2,291 pounds of stores & supplies, &c., from the old to the new agency, Oct. 15, 1875, at 1½c. per lb., 75 miles.		
		"Agent certifies that the reason he was compelled to have this work done by outside parties was that no means of transportation was available just at this time. This explanation is not accepted. He had an ample supply of agency teams and teams that he had hired at exorbitant prices continually on the road between the new and old agencies & Bozeman, that could have performed this service without incurring this additional expense."		
		Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76) . . . . .	34 16	
"		George R. Davis, laborer . . . . .	31 00	
		From Oct. 13th to 31, 1875, incl., being 18 days, at \$50 per month, should be . . . . .	30 00	
		Amt. overpaid . . . . .	1 00	
		Disallowed by Ind. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76) . . . . .	1 00	

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Vou.	20	Rich & Wilson, iron and oak timber.....	524 00	
		"Agent was positively instructed to purchase these materials in accordance with law. He certifies that the reason he did not advertise for proposals for furnishing these articles was that they had to be ordered from the East. This explanation is not satisfactory. It appears from the letter of instructions to him from the hon. Commissioner of Indian Affairs, that he had ample time to do so."		
		Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Crows, '76).....		\$524 00
"	21	Rich & Wilson, hardware & supplies.....	536 00	
		Remarks to preceding vou. apply.		
		Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty River Crows, '76).....		536 00
"	30	Matthew Bird, teacher.....	225 00	
		Remarks to vou. 34, 3d qr. 1875, apply.		
		Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76).....		225 00
"	33	Silas Baker, laborer.....	150 00	
		Paid from Oct. 1st to Dec. 31, 1875, incl., being 3 mos., at \$50 per month.		
		Remarks to vou. 125, 3d qr. 1875, apply.		
		Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76).....		150 00
"	34	Lewis W. Jackson, engineer.....	112 50	
		Paid from Nov. 16 to Dec. 31, 1875, incl., at \$900 per annum.		
		Remarks to vou. 74, 3d qr. 1875, apply.		
		Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76).....		112 50
Vou.	35	Lewis W. Jackson, carpenter.....	150 00	
		Paid from Oct. 1st to Nov. 15, 1875, incl., at \$100.00 pr. month.		
		Remarks to voucher 74, 3d qr. 1875, apply.		
		Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76).....		150 00
"	38	W. Y. Smith, laborer.....	112 50	
		Paid from Oct. 1st to Nov. 15, 1875, incl., 1 month and 15 days, at \$75.00 per month.		
		Remarks to voucher 70, 2d qr. 1875, apply.		
		Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76).....		112 50
"	39	D. F. McMillen, wheelwright.....	250 00	
		Paid from Oct. 1st to Dec'r 31, 1875, incl., at \$1,000 per annum (3 mos.)		
		Remarks to vou. 5, 4th qr. 1874, apply.		
		"Agent is also required to furnish his reason or authority for the increase of this employes' salary from \$900.00 to \$1,000 per annum."		
		Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76).....		250 00
"	40	C. L. Clapp, miller.....	225 00	
		Paid from Oct. 1 to Dec. 31, 1875, incl., being 3 mos. at \$900.00 per annum.		
		Remarks to vou. 7, 1st qr. 1875, apply.		
		Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76).....		225 00
"	41	Thomas T. Jones, farmer.....	225 00	
		Paid from Oct. 1st to Dec'r 31, 1875, incl., 3 mos. at \$900.00 per annum.		
		Remarks to voucher 8, 1st qr. 1875, apply.		
		Suspended by the 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76).....		225 00
Vou.	43	Mrs. O. S. Baker, matron.....	150 00	
		Remarks to vou. 77, 3d qr. 1875, apply.		
		Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76).....		150 00
"	56	M. Flaharty, sawyer.....	225 00	
		Paid from Oct. 1st to Dec'r 31, 1875, incl., being 3 months, at \$75.00 pr month.		
		REMARKS.—"This employé appears upon agent's list of employés as a laborer, engineer, and finally turns up as a sawyer. The latter occupation, it would seem, there was no necessity for, as nothing appears to have been done at the mill; besides agent paid a miller for same. An explanation, by affidavit, of this transaction, showing the particular work done by this man during this quarter, is required."		
		Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76).....		225 00
"	67	Edward Quinn, supplies (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76).....	40 50	
"	83	George W. Wakefield, supplies (Incidentals, '76).....	154 75	
		195 25		
		REMARKS.—"These supplies appear to have been for meals, lodgings, &c., as expenses furnished agent & employés & guards, in going to & returning from Bozeman during the 4th qr. 1875. Agent certifies upon these vouchers that the employés incurring this expense were visiting Bozeman on business connected with the agency. This explanation is not accepted. During the months of Oct. & Nov. & Dec'r, 1875, his miller is reported as performing services as miller, and paid him as such. He is represented (by this voucher) as being in Bozeman, 101 miles away from his work, as follows: 9 days in Oct. & 4 days in Nov. Agent must furnish names of driver & guards that accompanied him & agency miller on their several trips to Bozeman in Oct. & Nov., 1875."		
		Suspended by 2d Compt. Office.....		195 25
Vou.	69	E. A. Jacobs, laborer.....	75 00	
		Paid from Oct. 1st to Nov. 15, 1875, incl., being 1 month & 15 days at \$50 00 per month.		
		"Agent must furnish an affidavit of some disinterested party who saw this man performing labor during the time paid for."		
		Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76).....		75 00
"	78	Nelson Story, 1 spring wagon.....	150 00	
		"The description of this wagon given in agent's certificate on this voucher is too indefinite & vague. Agent will state whether it is a one or a two horse wagon, old or new, & what was the exigency requiring the immediate purchase and delivery of such wagon. A full explanation is required."		
		Suspended by 2d Audt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty River Crows, '76).....		150 00
"	80	E. A. Jacobs, mail-carrier.....	183 75	
		Paid from Nov. 16 to Dec. 31st, 1875, incl., being 1 month & 15 days, at \$12.50 per month.		

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	“ Agent does not state the amount of service performed, how many trips per week, or month. A full explanation is required.”	
	Suspended by 2d Audt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty, River Crows, '76).....	168 75
	ADDITIONAL REMARKS BY 2D COMPT. OFFICE.—“Agent certifies that this man paid all his own expenses, but fails to furnish any sub-vouchers to corroborate such statement. He is required to inform the accounting officers why it was necessary for such service and at such an exorbitant compensation when you, 83 of this quarter shows that agent & his agency miller (C. L. Clapp), accompanied with a driver & two guards were in Bozeman (the post-office where this mail-carrier had to receive his mail) on the 7, 8, 9, 23, 24, 25, & 26 of November, & 25, 26, 27, & 28 of Dec'r, 1875. Agent will state whether the horse & equipments used by this man was gov't property.”	
Vou. 81	Elias Story, supplies.....	600 34
	Item of 3 saddles at \$30.00 each, \$90.00.	
	“The authority to make these purchases for presents to Indians must be furnished. A satisfactory explanation required.”	
	Suspended by Indian office (F. F. Tr'ty, River Crows, '76).....	90 00
	ADDITIONAL REMARKS BY 2D AUDT. OFFICE.—“Agent must furnish satisfactory evidence to the accounting officers as to the kind and value of these saddles & that they were actually presented to the Indians as stated by agent, & the dates or date they were so presented. This suspension will remain until a full and satisfactory explanation is furnished to additional remarks—agent's explanation to former suspension not being satisfactory.”	
Vou. 84	J. A. Smith, laborer.....	150 00
	Paid from Oct. 1st to Dec'r 31, 1875, incl., at \$50 per month.	
	Remarks to vou. 117, 3d qr., 1875, apply.	
Vou. 82	Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (incidentals, '76).....	150 00
	Dexter E. Clapp, agent, travelling expenses trip to Washington.....	539 00
	Item: Stage fare & extra baggage (Sub. V. 2).....	67 00
	“ (Sub. 5).....	20 00
	87 00	
	REMARKS.—“The above amounts must be charged separately, showing how much was paid for stage fare & how much for baggage. A full explanation concerning it must be furnished to enable this office to decide whether the charges are proper ones against the government.”	
	Also: item of fare from Ogden (Utah) to Omaha, Nebraska, over U. P.	
	R. R.....	77 50
	164 50	
	“Why was not this transportation obtained according to department order of July 1, 1874, issued under section 5260 of the Revised Statutes, which directs the Secretary to withhold all payments to subsidized railroads? Agents should furnish sub-vouchers for the various charges at hotels, & in all cases where sub-vouchers are not obtainable, agent must certify that it was impracticable to obtain them.”	
	Suspended by the Indian Office (incidentals, '76).....	164 50
	ADDITIONAL REMARKS, & SUSPENSION BY 2D COMPT.—“Item: R. R. fare from New York City to Washington City, \$9.50 each way, will be disallowed.....	19 00
	as agent went out of route, thereby incurring additional expense.	
	Also item portorage and transfer of baggage at Metropolitan Hotel, New York; also street-car fare; altogether amounting to.....	2 10
	Also item amount paid to waiters at Ogden, & portorage at same place.....	50
	21 60	
	Item: Fare from Ogden to Virginia City, Montana, amounting to.....	56 00
	77 60	
	“Agent will have to separate this account, and show how much he paid to C. P. R. R. from Ogden to Corinne & how much he paid for stage fare for himself and how much for baggage. Disallowed.”	
	Item: Amount paid W. A. Adams for use of team from Virginia City to Bozeman, 75 miles.....	33 00
	110 00	
	“As there was a regular line of stages running between Virginia City and Bozeman, agent will explain why he incurred an additional expense of \$21.00 by hiring a private conveyance.”	
	The entire voucher disallowed & suspended by the 2d Compt. Office (incidentals, '76).....	110 00
	ADDITIONAL REMARKS BY 2D COMPT. OFFICE.—“To item of fare from Virginia City to Ogden, 67.00, agent will furnish an itemized statement showing how much he paid for fare from Virginia City to Corinne for himself and how much for his baggage & the number of pounds of baggage charged for. Also the am't paid C. P. R. R. to Ogden.	
	“Also item paid for baggage from Franklin, Utah, to Virginia City, Montana, \$20: Agent must give the number of pounds of baggage & why it was not carried along with him on the stage. The remainder of voucher will stand suspended until agent has, in accordance with his request to Commissioner of Indian Affairs—that he had very important official business to communicate in reference to the administration of the Crow Agency, and requesting that he be ordered to Washington. Agent should furnish an explanation of the official business transacted, which should be filed with this expense bill.”	
	Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (incidentals, '76).....	264 80

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		1st quarter, 1876.	
Vou.	2	C. B. Lebcher, physician ..... 350 00 Paid from January 1st to March 31, 1876, incl., being 3 months, at \$1,400 per annum. "Agent is required to furnish the accounting officers of the Treasury an abstract report of the employés to whom rations were delivered, showing the dates, the articles, number of pounds, and the prices charged for the same. It appears that agent pays this man by check on 1st Nat'l Bank, Bozeman, 339.14, and one ration 10.86. Agent will state when he first began to issue rations to employés & his authority therefor." Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76) .....	350 00
"	3d	E. A. Bridger, teacher ..... 225 00 Paid from Jan'y 1st to March 31, 1876, incl., being 3 months, at \$900.00 per annum. REMARKS.—"This office is informed that there was no school carried on at this agency during this quarter on account of having no accommodation or building for that purpose." Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76) .....	225 00
"	4	Wm. Myers, laborer, from Jan'y 1st Feb'y 2d, 1877—1 mo. and 2 day. .... 57 25 Should be ..... 53 33 Disallowed ..... 3 92 Amount disallowed & suspended ..... 3 92 53 33	225 00
		By Indian Office (F. F. Tr'ty River Crows, '76) .....	3 92
		REMARKS BY 2D COMPT.—"The balance of this voucher, \$53.33, will remain suspended until information is furnished, as required by remarks to voucher 2 in this quarter." Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty River Crows, '76) .....	53 33
Vou.	8	Frank M. Murray, detective ..... 252 00 From Sept. 12th to Oct. 10th, 1875, 29 days, & from Oct. 20 to Dec. 31st, 1875—total, 3 mos. & 11 days—at \$75 per mo. "Agent must inform the accounting officers what the necessity or exigency was for such service, and especially the necessity for such service continually employed. A statement under oath is required as to the services rendered by this man & what were the results of his labors; also as to whether he was continually employed, and, if not, how many times a month was it necessary for him to be away from the agency. Did he ride a gov't animal in the execution of said duty?" Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty River Crows, '76) .....	252 00
"	9	Rich & Wilson, transportation ..... \$368 58 "This voucher is for transporting supplies & stores from Bozeman and the old agency to the new agency. Agent is required to explain why he did not employ the teams he already had in charge to do this hauling. It appears that he had plenty of agency teams & a large number hired by the day at this time." Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76) .....	368 58
Vou.	11	T. T. Jones, farmer ..... 225 00 Paid from Jan'y 1st to Mar. 31, 1876, being 3 months, at \$900.00 per annum. "Agent Clapp will inform this office, by affidavit, the precise labor and services rendered by this person during the time paid for, & if he was continually at the agency." Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76) .....	225 00
"	22	ADDITIONAL REMARKS.—"Agent is also required to furnish information asked for by remarks to voucher 2 of this quarter, as to rations." Michael Flaherty, sawyer ..... \$210 00 For new agency buildings from Jan'y 1st to Mar. 31st, 1876, incl., 3 mos., at \$75.00 p'r month, less 6 days lost time, p'd by c'k \$199.14, & one ration \$10.86. "Agent is required to state under oath that this man was continuously employed as sawyer at the mill during the times specified. Agent will also inform the accounting officers when the saw-mill commenced running at the new agency & what duty the miller performed during this time. Agent will also furnish information as required by remarks to vou. 2 this quarter as to rations." Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty River Crows, '76) .....	210 00
"	29	C. L. Clapp, miller ..... 225 00 Paid from Jan'y 1st to M'ch 31, 1876, incl., being 3 months, at \$900.00 p'r annum. P'd by c'k ..... 214 14 One ration ..... 10 86 225 00 Remark to voucher 22 will apply. "Also, Agent Clapp will state the kind of labor that was performed by the temporary employés during the fall & winter months, and his reason for keeping such a large force under pay if weather prevented work from being performed." Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Crows, '76) .....	225 00
"	31	Rich & Wilson, supplies ..... 465 69	
Oct. 11, '75		Item of two coal stoves, \$25.00 ea. ....	50 00
Dec.		" " 1 heating stove. ....	32 50
Jan'y, 1876		" " 4 coal stoves, 32.50 ea. ....	130 00
			212 50



Account of Dexter E. Clapp—Continued.

		"Agent will explain the necessity for the purchase of these articles, as it is shown by the cash accounts of agent & his predecessor that quite a large number of stoves had been purchased during 1873 & 1874. Agent must give the style & coal stoves—\$32.50 appears to be an exorbitant price—state also what disposition was made of them."	
		Suspended by 2d Compt. Office .....	212 50
32	W. Y. Smith, laborer .....	\$150 00	
	Paid from Jan'y 1st to M'ch 31, 1876, incl., 3 mos., at \$50.00 p'r month, p'd by c'k, 149 14, & one ration, \$10.86.		
	"Remarks to vou. 70, 2d qr., 1875, apply. Agent will also furnish information as required by remarks to voucher 2, this quarter."		
	Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty, River Crows, '76) .....		150 00
35	Samuel Langhorn, medicines .....	44 50	
	Items: 1 gal. spirits furmento, 6, & 1 doz. fancy soap, 5 .....	11 00	
	& 2 glyce'ne soap, 75c. = 1.50 .....	1 50	
		12 50	
	"Agent is required to furnish the certificate of agency physician that the spirits furmento was used in medical treatment of Indians, & the item of soap, \$6.50, as charged, are disallowed as an improper purchase for the Indian service."		
	Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76) .....		12 50
37	A. M. Quivey, laborer .....	225 00	
	Paid from January 1st to M'ch 31, 1876, inc, being 3 months, at \$75.00 per month, at the new agency; p'd by c'k, \$214.14 & 1 ration, 10.86.		
	"Agent is required to state what different services did this man perform than that which he had been paid for during the several quarters of 1875, and why he is entitled to increase of salary of \$25.00 p'r month."		
	Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty River Crows, '76) .....		225 00
	ADDITIONAL REMARKS.—Agent will also furnish information required by remarks to vou. 2, this quarter.		
45	D. F. McMillen, wheelwright .....	25 00	
	Paid from Jan'y 1st to M'ch 31, 1876, incl., 3 months, at \$1,000 per annum; p'd c'k, 239.14 & 1 ration, \$10.86.		
	"Agent is required to state, for the information of the accounting officers, how many wagons were built by this man and the agency carpenter during the 9 months he has been regularly paid as wheelwright. Remarks to vou. 5, 4th q'r, 1874, also apply."		
	Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76) .....		250 00
	ADDITIONAL REMARKS.—"Agent will also furnish information required by remarks to vou. No. 2 of this q'r."		
46	Lewis W. Jackson, engineer .....	225 00	
	Paid from Jan'y 1st to M'ch 31, 1876, incl., being 3 months, at \$900.00 per annum; p'd by c'k, 214.14, & 1 ration, 10.86.		
	Remarks to vou. 74, 3d q'r, 1875, apply.		
	Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76) .....		225 00
48	Mrs. O. S. Baker, matron .....	150 00	
	Paid for 1st q'r 1876, 3 mos., at \$50 p'r mo.		
	Remarks to vou. 3, this quarter, apply.		
	Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76) .....		150 00
51	Mrs. J. S. Philo, seamstress .....	9 00	
	Was paid for making articles of bedding & clothing for the children of Indian boarding school at the agency.		
	Remarks to voucher 3, this quarter.		
	Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76) .....		9 00
52	Elias Story, supplies .....	439 96	
	"Agent should furnish authority for making these purchases for presents to Indians. Item of 23 fancy blankets, at \$7.00 ea.; price deemed excessive. Agent's explanation to the above suspension not being satisfactory, the suspension remains, with additional exceptions or remarks by 2d Auditor, as follows: Agent will explain as to the method of distributing these presents to the Indians. He must furnish some satisfactory evidence that the Indians received the presents."		
	Suspended by Indian Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76) .....		439 96
55	E. A. Jacobs, mail-carrier .....	337 50	
	Remarks to vou. No. 80, 4th qr., apply.		
	Suspended by 2d Auditor (incidentals, '76) .....		337 50
56	John Mills, laborer .....	31 66	
	Paid from Feb'y 23d to March 12th, 1876, incl., at \$50.00 per month (19 days), p'd by c'k 28.04 & one ration \$3.62.		
	Remarks to 54 voucher apply.		
	Same information as required by remarks to vou. 2, this qr., must be furnished.		
	Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. River Crows, '76) .....		31 66
54	J. A. Smith, laborer .....	150 00	
	Paid from Jan'y 1st to March 31, 1876, incl., being 3 months, at \$50.00 per month, working on the new agency, p'd by c'k 139.14 one ration \$10.86.		
	Remarks to voucher 117, 3d qr., 1875, apply.		
	"Also, agent is required to state the kind of labor on the building that this man performed; was he continuously employed, and did he render service during the three months as stated & paid on voucher."		
	Agent will also furnish information as required by remarks to vou. 2 this quarter.		
	Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty River Crows, '76) .....		150 00

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Vou.	59	Elias Story, wood ..... 450 00 Paid for 75 cords of wood, at \$6 per cord. "It is the impression amongst the accounting officers of the gov't that very little labor, if any, can be performed out of doors in the way of putting up new buildings at this time of the year (January) in Montana T'y. Agent will explain the kind of work that was done by the employés that prevented them from cutting wood for the agency. Agent will also explain what became of the wood that was cut during 1875 that was not used for building purposes. Also state if this wood was cut on the Crow reservation; and if so, by whom. These explanations must be made under oath." Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty, Crows, '76).....	450 00
Vou.	5	Amelia Myers, laundress ..... 5 00 Paid from January 1st to 31, 1876 (1 month.) "Agent certifies that he employed this person to wash the clothes of the children of the Indian boarding school, for the reason that the matron could not perform all of the labor of washing, cooking, and sewing for the children attending the school." Remarks to vou. 3 this quarter apply. Suspended by 2d Aud't Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76).....	5 00
"	10	Nelson Story, hire of ox teams ..... 2,289 00 Item of (6) six ox teams & wagons from Nov. 2d to Nov. 26, 1875, incl., being 22 working days, at \$7.00 per day for each team, \$924.00. Also, item of (3) three ox teams & two wagons from Oct. 1st to Dec'r 15, 1875, incl., being (65) sixty-five working days, at \$7 per day each team, 1,365.00. REMARKS.—"Agent will inform this office why he did not advertise for bids to move this agency, and why he exceeded the amount authorized by the hon. Commissioner of Indian Affairs. He is also required to state if these teams or any one of the teams which he had hired from Nelson Story by the day performed any of the hauling of the freight from the old agency to the new one, as represented in the certified vouchers given to Nelson Story for 1,127.51, \$1,705.95, Nov. 1 & Dec. 30, 1875. If not, agent will state why he did not perform the hauling with the numerous teams he had already employed by the day." Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty River Crows, '76).....	2,289 00
Vou.	12	Frank M. Murray, detective ..... 217 50 Paid from January 1st to March 27, 1867, inclusive, being 2 months and 27 days, at \$75 per mo. "Agent must furnish his authority for employing a detective, and state what the exigency was that required one." Suspended by 2d Aud't Office (F. F. Tr'ty River Crows, '76).....	217 50
		The following vouchers are hereby suspended until information is furnished this office, as required by remarks to vou. 2 of this quarter:	
Vou.	6.....	50 59	Vou. 21..... 150 00
"	13.....	150 00	" 23..... 150 00
"	14.....	150 00	" 24..... 146 00
"	15.....	150 00	" 25..... 138 33
"	16.....	150 00	" 26..... 150 00
"	17.....	150 00	" 27..... 61 57
"	18.....	150 00	" 28..... 225 00
"	19.....	150 00	" 33..... 150 00
"	20.....	150 00	" 38..... 146 67
		1,250 59	1,317 57
		3,274 88	F. F. Tr'ty River Crows, '76.
		450 00	" " Crows, '76.
		3,724 88	
		Suspended by 2d Compt. Office .....	3,724 88
40,835 28			
<i>Second quarter 1876.</i>			
Vou.	1	J. S. Philo, carpenter ..... 40 00 Paid from Apr. 1st to 16th, 1867, incl., at \$900 per annum: Less one ration..... 1 31	
			38 69 38 69
		Should be .....	39 56
		Less one ration.....	1 31
			38 25 38 25
			44
"	2	Over paid, and disallowed by the Indian Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76) ..... 44 Elias Story, wood ..... 884 00 "Agent fails to certify that this wood was purchased on contract. He does not state what the necessity or particular exigency was for so large a quantity of wood at that time." Suspended by Second Auditor's Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76).....	884 00
		ADDITIONAL REMARK BY 2D COMPT. OFFICE.—"This man was paid for 136 cords of wood delivered at Crow Agency in Nov. & Dec. 1875, at \$6.50 per cord. Remarks to Vou. 59, 1st q'r 1876, apply. Also, it is understood by this office that this man, Elias Story, is the post trader for the Crows. Agent is required to state under oath when this wood was cut, and by whom cut, giving the names of the parties whom Mr. Story employed and paid to do this service, and the rate of pay per cord or day, as the case may be, &c."	884 00

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Vou.	3	Nelson Story, supplies.....	968 80
		Paid for 15,700 pounds of potatoes at 3.75 per one hundred pounds.....	588 75
		2,575 pounds of hominy, at 12c. p'r lb.....	309 00
		& 490 pounds of soap, at 14c. p'r lb.....	71 05
			968 80
		" It appears that these supplies were purchased and delivered August, 1873. Why was payment of same delayed until April, 1876, when agent's account current for 3d q'r 1875 shows that he had ample funds on hand to pay with? Agent must also state what the exigency was that required the immediate purchase and delivery of these supplies. A full explanation is required."	
		Suspended by the Indian Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76).....	968 80
		ADDITIONAL REMARK BY 2D COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE—"Agent's explanations to above suspension not satisfactory to the accounting officer. Agent is required to state under oath what disposition was made of these goods."	
Vou.	4	Nelson Story, shorts.....	848 96
		Paid for 21,224 pounds of shorts at 4 cts. per pound.....	
		"Agent must explain why such large purchase of shorts were not made upon contract, as agent might have foreseen that the oxen would need provender, and should have been provided in time and upon contract. He will also explain why so large a quantity was required; besides, the price, 4 cents per pound, appears excessive. A full explanation is required."	
		Suspended by Indian Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76).....	848 96
		Additional remarks by 2d Compt. Office as follows: "Agent's explanation to remark above made are not satisfactory, and to which (remarks) the following are added; Agent certifies that these shorts were used for oxen working on the agency buildings during the months of January & February, 1876." Will agent inform this office what work could oxen render on buildings during the severe winter weather of the climate of Montana T'y? Also, whose oxen were these that were fed during this time?	
Vou.	5	Frank M. Murray, detective.....	225 00
		"Agent is required to furnish authority for employing a detective and show or explain the necessity or exigency requiring one. A full explanation is required."	
		Suspended by the Indian Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76).....	225 00
		ADDITIONAL REMARKS. &C., BY 2D COMPTROLLER—"Agent's explanation to above remarks are not satisfactory to the accounting officers, and agent is referred to remarks vou. 8, 1st qu., 1876, which will apply."	
Vou.	6	Henry Keiser, skilled laborer.....	450 00
		Paid from Oct. 1st, 1875, to March 31st, 1876, incl., being 6 months, at \$75.00 per month.....	
		"Agent is required to explain what he means by 'skilled laborer.' He will state under oath that this man rendered service continuously during this quarter, stating the kind of labor performed."	
		Suspended by 2d Compt. Office.....	450 00
"	7	Pay-roll of employes.....	2,355 07
		Item: Thomas T. Jones, farmer.....	225 00
		From April 1st to June 30, 1876, \$900 per annum. Paid by check, \$214.44, & one ration (value), \$10.86.	
		Remarks to vou. 11, 1st qr., 1876, apply.	
"	"	Item: D. F. McMillen, wheelwright.....	225 00
		From April 1st to June 30th, 1876, incl., \$900 per annum. Paid by check, \$214.44, & one ration (value), \$10.86.	
		Remarks to vou. 5, 4th qr., 1874, apply.	
"	"	Item: Lewis W. Jackson, engineer.....	225 00
		Paid from April 1st to June 30th, 1876, incl., \$900 per annum. Paid by check, \$214.44, & one ration (value), \$10.86.	
		Remarks to vou. 74, 3d qr., 1875, apply.	
"	"	Item: W. Y. Smith, miller.....	225 00
		From April 1st to June 30, 1876, incl., at \$900 per annum. P'd by check, \$214.44, & one ration (value), \$10.86.	
		REMARKS TO LAST ITEM—"Agent is required to furnish information by affidavit of disinterested parties that this man is a miller by trade, and he is also required to state what amount of work was done at the mill during this quarter."	
		Item: Dexter E. Clapp, salary, 375.00.....	900 00
		For 2d quarter, 1876.	
		REMARKS TO THIS ITEM—"As Agent Clapp absented himself from his agency from May 3d to June 30th, or thereabouts, 1876, without authority or getting leave from the Secretary of the Interior to do so, as required by law (section 2074, Revised Statutes), which says, 'No person shall hold more than one office at the same time under this title; nor shall any agent, subagent, interpreter, or persons employed under this title receive his salary while absent from his agency or employment without leave of the superintendent, or Secretary of the Interior.'	
		* * * Agent Clapp left his agency without leave, and on the 9th of May, 1876, he informed the Indian Office that he had left his agency and was on his way to New York; therefore the pay of agent, from May 3d to June 30, 1876, being 1 mo. & 28 days, at \$1,500 per annum, will be suspended until he informs this office the exact date he left the agency and his return thereto."	
		Amount suspended on this item.....	238 98
		Total suspended.....	1,138 98
		F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76.....	900 00
		Sup't & agent, '76.....	238 98
			1,138 98
		By the 2d Compt. Office.....	1,138 98



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is required to explain, by affidavit, what service this man performed for the government, at his agency, between March 15th and May 6, 1876.

"As to voucher 20, agent will be required to furnish explanation, under oath, that the horses or horses used by Murray was his own and not the government's, and, if his own, where did he keep them during the time from the commencement of his employment at the agency until he was appointed a detective.

VOUCHER 20. ADDITIONAL REMARKS BY 2D COMPT. OFFICE.—"Frank M. Murray, detective. Expenses of trip with Inspector Watkins up the Yellowstone River in Sept., 1875. As Inspector Watkins furnished transportation for the escort, and hired three spring-wagons for the purpose of the expedition, the item of expense claimed by Detective Murray, for hire of horse for same purpose from Sept. 11, 1875, to 18th, 1875, incl., 8 days, at \$2.50 per day, \$20.00, will be disallowed when the suspension of entire voucher for other causes is removed. Agent will inform the accounting officers how many of the agency employes and teams accompanied Inspector Watkins in this expedition up the Yellowstone River. Also, Detective Murray overcharges one day for self and his horse, he having been paid on vou. 134, 3d qr. '75, for Sept. 11, 1875, which is included in this charge.

"As to voucher 21, agent is required to furnish affidavit or certificate from the judicial officer at Bozeman, before whom the investigation of the stolen agency cattle was brought, showing that Mr. Murray performed the service he claims, &c.

"As to voucher 22, remarks to above & voucher No. 8, 1st qr., 1876, apply. Also, remarks to voucher 8, 1st qr., 1876, will apply to all the above 4 vouchers. Agent's explanations to suspension by Indian Office, are not accepted by the accounting officers as not being sufficiently explicit, and therefore will remain suspended until more satisfactory answers are received to them, as well as satisfactory explanations to the additional remarks above made by 2d Compt. Office."

Vou.	23	A. P. Fox, hire of horse.....	26 00
"	24	Milo Secketer, laborer.....	60 00

86 00

REMARKS.—"The two last vouchers were for services in collecting cattle that had strayed from the agency herd. Agent certifies that 120 head of cattle were collected and returned to the agency. Agent is required to show by satisfactory evidence that these 120 head of cattle did not stray from the herd through the negligence of himself or employes, and to show clearly how, with a herder and others employed to take care of the agency cattle, any could have strayed and thereby rendering such an expenditure necessary."

Suspended by Indian Office (F. F. Tr'ty River Crows, '76).....

86 00

ADDITIONAL REMARKS BY 2D COMPT. OFFICE AS TO VOU. 23.—"Paid for use of horse from May 8 to June 3d, 1876, incl., 26 days, at (\$1) one dollar per day, \$26.00. Mr. Fox being an employe at the Crow agency from the early part of 1875; where did he keep this horse and who subsisted and took care of it all this time? Did he have it when he first came on to the reservation? &c. As to voucher 24, service of himself and horse in recovering cattle, from June 1st to 30th, incl., 1876, at \$60 per mo., \$60. Where does this man live? If horses can be produced at these figures, why pay Frank M. Murray \$5 per day besides subsistence? Agent's explanation to suspension by Indian Office not satisfactory to the accounting officers.

Vou.	25	George W. Wakefield, supplies furnished employes at Bozeman, &c.....	51 50
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"Agent is required to explain the necessity of having his employes continually on the road between his agency and Bozeman or at Bozeman, and then certify vouchers and pay those parties as skilled laborers, millers, blacksmiths, &c., &c., as having been performing such service when in fact they are not, part of the time at least. The names of the parties who accompanied and acted as guards—

To Warren Allen, April 7 & 8, 1876.

" E. A. Jacobs	"	18	"
" John Frazer	"	7	"
" W. J. Farnell	"	25	"
" J. B. Finch	"	26	"
" D. E. Clapp	May 3, 4 & 5	"	"
" W. T. Smith	"	11 & 12	"
" Henry Kelsner	"	15 & 16	"
" Thomas Shane	June 5 & 6	"	"

must be furnished. Agent Clapp is also required to state whether the animals that were rode by these guards [were] the property of the United States or their own private property.

26	Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty River Crows, '76).....	51 50
	Elias Story, sundries.....	357 82
	This voucher correctly added would be.....	356 82

Amount overadded and disallowed.....	1 00
Item of 15 fancy blankets, at \$7.00 each.....	105 00

106 00

"Price of blankets excessive, also authority for purchases for presents to Indians, must be shown. A full explanation is required.

Suspended by the Indian Office (F. F. Crows, '76).....

106 00

ADDITIONAL REMARKS BY 2D AUDITOR'S OFFICE.—"Agent is required to furnish satisfactory evidence to the accounting officers that these presents were

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		actually made or delivered to the Indians, &c. Agent's explanations to suspension by the Indian Office not satisfactory and will therefore remain."	
Vous.	27	Edward Everett, ferrriage ..... 25 00 "This voucher appears to be part of the expense incurred in collecting the strayed cattle. The same objection therefore is made and same remarks will apply as to vouchers 23 & 24. Agent's explanations to this suspension not satisfactory." Suspended by the Indian Office (F. F. Tr'ty, River Crows, '76) ..... 25 00	25 00
		ADDITIONAL REMARKS BY 2D COMPT. OFFICE.—"This charge is for ferrying employés, &c., across the Yellowstone River at various dates between May 13 & June 29, 1876. Agent will explain how it occurred that in voucher No. 83, 2d qr., 1875, this man is paid a regular salary as ferryman, and at that time it appears that this ferry was the property of the United States. Agent is required to furnish a complete statement of this transaction."	
"	28	Dexter E. Clapp, advertising ..... 48 00 "Agent is required to furnish his authority from the Secretary of the Interior in accordance with law. (See Revised Statutes, sec. 3823, page 754.)" Suspended by 2d Compt. Office (incidental, '76) ..... 48 00	
Vous.	30	William Clawson, ferrriage ..... \$25 75 "This voucher is suspended for explanation as to whether this ferry is not the property of the United States Government, and borne upon agent's property-return as such, and receipted for by Agent Carpenter, his successor." Suspended by Indian Office (incidental, '76) ..... 25 75	25 75
		ADDITIONAL REMARKS BY 2D COMPT. OFFICE.—"This voucher is for charges of acting agent and employés of the agency crossing the Yellowstone River, amounting to \$25.75. Agents will inform the accounting officers how many times must the Yellowstone River be crossed when in transit from his agency to Bozeman. He must also procure a statement from the commanding officer of Ft. Ellis sustaining his action in regard to the employment of guards, &c.; besides, whose property was this ferry at that time. W. Y. Smith appears to have been away from his post of duty as miller, &c., many times, but occupying another position, viz., that of mail-carrier. Those irregularities need explanation. Agent's explanation to the above suspension by the Indian Office not being satisfactory, the suspension will remain until satisfactory explanation to all the remarks above made are received." (Suspended above.)	
Vous.	31	Dexter E. Clapp, agent, travel, expenses ..... \$116 58 REMARKS BY INDIAN OFFICE.—"Agent should furnish subvouchers in support of each item charged for, or, if he cannot do so, must certify that it is impracticable to obtain them." Suspended by Indian Office (incidental, '76) ..... 116 58	116 58
		ADDITIONAL REMARKS BY 2D COMPT. OFFICE.—"This voucher appears to be for traveling expenses from New York City to Washington City, D. C., and return to New York City, and expenses while in Washington, D. C., from May 25th to June 23, 1876, and expenses on June 24, 1876, at New York City, amounting in all to the sum of \$116.58. As these charges are for expenses of agent while absent from his agency without authority or leave of the Secretary of the Interior, in direct violation of law, the same will be disallowed, as an improper charge against the government. It is true the hon. Commissioner of Indian Affairs gave Agent Clapp authority to present these charges of expense in his (agent's) accounts, but such authority cannot legalize the transaction."	
"	32	I. H. Taylor, postmaster, box-rent ..... \$16 00 "This is an unusual charge, and not a proper one against the government. Explanation is required; the necessity for box-rent not apparent." Suspended by 2d Audt. Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76) ..... 16 00	16 00
"	33	Elias Story, wood ..... 846 00 "Agent certifies that this wood was delivered upon contract, but fails to show that the contract was approved by Commissioner of Indian Affairs, or to state what particular exigency existed which required such a large expenditure for wood." Suspended by the Indian Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76) ..... 846 00	846 00
		ADDITIONAL REMARKS BY 2D COMPT. OFFICE.—"When was this wood cut, and by whom cut (141 cords). An explanation must be furnished by affidavit, supported by evidence from other disinterested parties; the contract must also be filed with the account. Suspension remains until satisfactory explanations are received to above objections; agent's explanation to suspensions by Indian Office not being satisfactory."	
"	34	Rich & Willson, sundries ..... 188 76 "This voucher is suspended for further information, and report of such facts as will make it perfectly clear to this office that an exigency did actually exist at the time the purchase was made." Suspended by the Indian Office (F. F. Tr'ty Crows, '76) ..... 188 76	188 76
		ADDITIONAL REMARKS BY 2D COMPT. OFFICE— Item: 12 loaves bread, at 25c. each ..... 3 00 "These loaves were purchased at various times by the employés at Bozeman. It is shown by expense bill of Kruger, and also Geo. Wakefield, that the employés incurred regular board bills, and they were paid by Agent Clapp, and the necessity for these purchases must be explained."	3 00



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	Item: 2 lb. crackers, 18c.....	36c.	
	Remarks to the above item apply.		
	5 lbs. of butter, 25c.....	1 25	
	2 cans jelly, 60c.....	1 20	
	4 cans fruit, 55.....	2 20	
		4 65	4 65
			8 01
	The last named items are disallowed.....	4 65	
	Also, item: 1 table cloth, disallowed.....	3 75	
	"There also appear several other small purchases of bacon, sugar, oats, &c. A full explanation as to the necessity for these purchases, and by whom they were used, must be furnished. The entire voucher remains suspended, as above, as recommended by the Indian Office."		
Vou. 7	Pay-roll of employés:—		
	Item: Amount paid E. A. Bridges, teacher, for 2d qr., 1876, at \$900 per annum.....	225 00	
	Item: Paid Mrs. O. S. Baker, matron, for 2d qr., 1876, at \$50 per month.....	150 00	
	Remarks to vouchers 3 & 48, 1st qr. 1876, apply.		
	Suspended by 2d Compt. Office.....		375 00
			48,166 39
	The following vouchers, being payments to employés, are hereby suspended for the want of agent's certificate under oath, as required by act of Congress, June 22, 1874:—		
	For 1st qr. 1875, vouchers 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 35, 36, amounting to.....		4,070 00
	Less the following vouchers heretofore suspended for other causes, but which will stand suspended as above after suspensions for other causes are removed, 7, 8, 12, 15, 16, 19, 26, 27, 30 & 23.....	1,675 00	
			2,395 00
	For 2d qr. 1875, vouchers 3, 6, 7, 12, 13, 14, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 91, 92, 94, 97, & 98.....		7,822 91
	Less the following vou. heretofore suspended for other causes, but which will stand suspended as above after suspensions for other causes are removed, 3, 6, 13, 14, 19, 22, 30, 31, 32, 37, 42, 43, 44, 70, 73, 82, 83, 84, 91, 92, 94, 97, 98.....	2,941 47	
			4,881 44
	Add for property not accounted for as per schedule herewith attached.....		100 50
	Add amount short returned to U. S. Treasury as balance on hand at close of 2d qr. 1875, and close of fiscal year 1865, as shown by his certificate of deposit transmitting the same, and which covered only the sum of	562 70	
	Whereas the same should have been for the sum of \$562.76, as shown and entered on his $\frac{3}{4}$ current.....	562 76	
	Difference.....		06
			55,543 39

For property items see next page.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, 2D AUDT. OFFICE,  
March 15, 1880.

O. WILCOX.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, SECOND COMPT. OFFICE,  
May 22, 1880.

E. J. DOWLING.

Schedule of property for which Dexter E. Clapp, Indian Agent, is accountable.

2d qr. 1875	Voucher 26, 10 lbs. harness leather @ 87½ cts. (incl. exp. 75).....	8 75
4th " "	One ax.....	1 75
Vou. 101	Two rifles, \$22 each, \$44.00; two saddles for \$44 (F. E. Tr'ty, '75).....	88 00
Fracl.		
4th qr. 1876	Subsistence sold, not accounted for.....	2 00
		\$100 50

SECOND AUDITOR'S OFFICE.

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ACCOUNTS OF DEXTER E. CLAPP.

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Dexter E. Clapp in account

	Bond of Oct. 29, 1874, and May 20, 1875.	Incidental expenses Indian service in Montana.			Superintend- ents and agents.		Indian agents.	Total.
		1875.	1876.	1877.	1875.	1876.	1877.	
1875.								
Feb'y 6	To requisition No. 8164 .....	2,500 00			750 00			3,250 00
Aug. 13	" do. 8920 .....		1,000 00			750 00		1,750 00
1876.								
Feb'y 17	" do. 9631 .....		1,000 00			750 00		1,750 00
Jan'y 14	" James Wright, Dec, 7, 1874 .....				101 92			101 92
	To appropriation:							
	For value of property not accounted for charged here to close accounts on property ledger.....	8 75		2 00				10 75
	To Interior Dept. transfer %:							
	For amount of credit balance trans- ferred to gen'l account of appro- priations (see entry pr. contra) .....			260 13			460 47	720 60
		2,508 75	2,000 00	262 13	851 92	1,500 00	460 47	7,583 27
	Balance due the United States .....	1,216 88	1,925 98					3,142 86

with the United States.

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	Incidental expenses Indian service in Montana.			Superintend- ents and agents.		Indian agents.	Total.
	1875.	1876.	1877.	1875.	1876.	1877.	
By appropriation: For amount disbursed from Decem- ber 7, 1874, to June 30, 1876, inclu- sive, & including his own salary for same time, as per gen'l abst. of dis- bursements herewith .....	810 25	74 02	.....	851 92	1,261 02	.....	2,997 21
Also, amount claimed for his travel- ing expenses in Oct., 1876, per item- ized bill herewith, for the sum of 265.13, less the sum of \$3.00 paid for waiters, &c., disallowed, leaving the sum of 262.13 as allowed under appro. incidental exp. 1877, not charged in his account current .....	.....	.....	262 13	.....	.....	.....	262 13
Also, amount of agent's claim for sal- ary from July 1st to Oct. 21, 1876, incl., & not charged in his % cur- rent, claim filed herewith .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	460 47	460 47
By Interior Dept. transfer acct.: For amt. of debit balances transferred to gen'l acct of appropriations (see entry per contra) .....	481 62	.....	.....	.....	238 98	.....	720 60
Balance .....	1,216 88	1,925 96	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,142 86
	2,508 75	2,000 00	262 13	851 92	1,500 00	460 47	7,583 27

TREASURY DEP'T, 2ND AUDT. OFFICE, *March 15, 1880.*

O. WILCOX. 57.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, SECOND COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, *May 22, 1880.*

E. J. DOWLING.

DR.

*Dexter E. Clapp, late U. S. Indian Agent, Crow Agency,*

	Under bonds of Oct. 29, 1874, and May 20, 1875.	Fulfilling treaty with Crows.		Fulfilling treaty with River Crows.		Fulfill- ing treaty with Crows, 1875 & 1876.		Interpre- ters.		Total.
		1875.	1876.	1875.	1876.	1875.	1876.	1875.	1876.	
1875.										
Feb'y 6	To requisition No. 8164.	12,577 17		7,500 00				200 00		20,277 17
Mar. 4	" do. 8244.	1,150 00								1,150 00
May 3	" do. 8525					10,000 00				10,000 00
Aug. 13	" do. 8920.		15,450 00		6,000 00			200 00		21,650 00
Sept. 27	" do. 9158.		4,400 00							4,400 00
1876.										
Feb'y 17	" do. 9631.		11,450 00		10,000 00			200 00		21,650 00
Jan'y 14	James Wright, Dec. 7, 1874	1,594 99		2,153 31				27 18		3,775 48
	To appropriation: For am't rec'd for sub- sistence sold to em- ployés during 1st & 2nd q'rs, 1876				363 62	260 00				623 62
	Also, for value of prop- erty not accounted for charged here to close account on prop- erty ledger		89 75							89 75
		15,322 16	31,389 75	9,653 31	16,363 62	10,260 00	227 18	400 00		83,616 02
	Balance due United States	13,749 63	18,877 58	4,267 14	11,335 74	3,447 84				51,677 93

Montana Territory, in account with the United States.

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		Fulfilling treaty with Crows.		Fulfilling treaty with River Crows.		Fulfilling treaty with Crows, 1875 & 1876.	Interpreters.		Total.
		1875.	1876.	1875.	1876.		1875.	1876.	
1876. August 5	By requisition No. 845.	562 70	.....						562 70
1877. July 20	" do. 977. " appropriation: For am't disbursed from December 7, 1874, to June 30, 1876,* inclusive, & including pay of employes & interpreters for same time, as per gen'l abs't of disbursements herewith.....				363 62	480 68			844 30
		1,009 83	12,512 17	5,386 17	4,664 26	6,331 48	227 18	400 00	30,531 09
	Balance .....	13,749 63	18,877 58	4,267 14	11,335 74	3,447 84	.....	.....	51,677 93
		15,322 16	31,389 75	9,653 31	16,363 62	10,260 00	227 18	400 00	83,616 02

\* Salary from Dec. 7, 1874, to Oct. 21, 1876.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT, SECOND COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE, May 22, 1880.

E. J. DOWLING.

(OFFICE FORM NO. 14.)

No. 1189.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,  
SECOND AUDITOR'S OFFICE,  
March 15th, 1880.

I certify that I have examined and adjusted the account of Dexter E. Clapp, late Indian Agent at Crow Agency, Montana Territory, under bonds of Oct. 29th, 1874, and May 20, 1875. Period of service from December 7th, 1874, to October 21st, 1876, inclusive. Stated to show condition to date, and find that he is indebted to the United States in the sum of fifty-four thousand eight hundred and twenty dollars and seventy-nine cents (54,820.79), under the following appropriations:

Due the United States:	
Fulfg. treaty with Crows, 1875.....	13,749 63
“ “ “ “ 1876.....	18,877 58
“ “ “ “ 1875 & 1876.....	3,447 84
“ “ “ River Crows, 1875.....	4,267 14
“ “ “ “ 1876.....	11,335 74
Incidental expenses, Indian service in Montana, 1875.....	1,216 88
“ “ “ “ “ “ 1876.....	1,925 98
	54,820 79

As appears from the statement and vouchers herewith transmitted for the decision of the Second Comptroller of the Treasury thereon.  
(Sgd.)

H. C. HARMON,  
*Acting Auditor.*

To the SECOND COMPTROLLER OF THE TREASURY.

O. W. 57. E. J. A. J. D. F.

SECOND COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE.

I admit and certify the above balance this twenty-second day of May, 1880.  
(Sgd.)

W. W. UPTON,  
*Second Comptroller.*

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,  
SECOND AUDITOR'S OFFICE,  
Washington, D. C., December 28, 1880.

SIR: In obedience to direction endorsed upon copy of Senate Resolution of the 21st instant, viz: "That the Secretary of the Treasury be directed to transmit to the Senate, copies of all papers in his office relative to the settlement of the accounts of Dexter E. Clapp, late agent of the Crow Indians, Montana Territory," I send herewith copies of the statement and report of the cash account, being settlement No. 1189 of May 22d, 1880. The statement of differences which shows how the balance against late Agent Clapp arose is in the office of the Second Comptroller.

The construction put upon the resolution by this office is that it requires copies of papers relating to the *settlement* only, and not to the rendering of said accounts by the agent.

If the resolution requires copies of all accounts current, abstracts, vouchers, and returns rendered by late Agent Clapp, the work will be a heavy draft upon this office in the existing condition of its clerical force, for it will involve the copying of nearly one thousand papers, many of which are large sheets and closely written.

It is proper to state that the property account of late Agent Clapp is closed, and also that he has filed full and voluminous explanations, which he claims will remedy the defects in the vouchers first rendered, and that said explanations have not yet been passed into settlement, but that they are now in the office of the Second Comptroller for examination.

The copy of the resolution is returned herewith.

Very respectfully,

O. FERRIS, *Auditor.*

Hon. JOHN SHERMAN,  
*Secretary of the Treasury.*