LETTER

FROM

THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR,

TRANSMITTING

Statement showing the value of supplies furnished the various Bureaus of the Department in 1886, charged to the contingent fund.

JANUARY 25, 1887.—Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, Washington, January 24, 1887.

SIR: In compliance with Senate resolution of January 17, 1887, I have the honor to submit herein a statement showing the value of miscellaneous supplies furnished the several Bureaus of this Department during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1886, charged to the contingent appropriation for this Department for said year, and on which the estimates for the fiscal year 1888 were based, viz:

Secretary's Office	\$31,049	42	
Patent Office	36,861		
Pension Office	44,604	64	
General Land Office	12,824	42	
Indian Office	3, 129	53	
Education Office	2,024		
Railroad Office	374	72	

The amount of supplies furnished in excess of the appropriation of \$125,000 for said year was drawn from the surplus stock on hand of the previous year.

The amount required during the fiscal year 1888, \$125,000, is for the several items enumerated in the heading for contingent expenses, as

submitted in the estimates.

The amounts shown to have been charged to the several Bureaus during the fiscal year 1886 approximates the estimate required for each, and except in emergency cases is about the amount usually required from year to year.

Very respectfully,

L. Q. C. LAMAR, Secretary.

The PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE PRO TEMPORE.