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L E T T E R

FROM

THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR,

TRANSMITTING,

In compliance with law, a full and complete inventory of all property belonging to the United States in the buildings, rooms, offices, and grounds occupied by this department and under its charge.

FEBRUARY 13, 1883.—Ordered to lie on the table and be printed.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
Washington, February 12, 1883.

SIR: In accordance with the requirements of the act of Congress entitled "An act to provide for inventories and accounts of the property of the United States in the buildings and grounds belonging to the United States in the District of Columbia," approved July 15, 1870, I have the honor to transmit herewith "a full and complete inventory of all property belonging to the United States in the buildings, rooms, offices, and grounds" occupied by this department and under its charge.

The inventory consists of a table, A, showing the number of the various articles of property in each of the bureaus of the department, and the same aggregated; a list, B, of the articles of property purchased for the use of the department during the year ending the 30th of November, 1882, and C, a list of such property as was sold during the same period.

Very respectfully,

H. M. TELLER,
Secretary.

The PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE *pro tempore.*

INVENTORY OF PUBLIC PROPERTY.

A.—Inventory of property belonging to the United States in the buildings, rooms, offices, and grounds occupied by the Department of the Interior, taken on the 1st day of December, A. D. 1882, in accordance with the act of Congress approved July 15, 1870.

Articles of property.	Offices.									Total.
	Secretary's.	Patent.	Pension.	Land.	Indian.	Census.	Education.	Railroads.	Survey.	
Anvils.....	2									2
Awnings.....	33	86	468	138	9	55	44	4	11	848
Axes.....	1			3	1	1	1			7
Backgrounds, photo.....									4	4
Book cases.....	23	56	11	155			8		3	258
Book racks.....	17	5	26	17	8	15	7	1		96
Book rests.....	6		51	25	3		6			91
Blacksmith's forge.....	1	1								2
Call bells.....	1	7				24				32
Cabinets.....							6			6
Carpenter's bench.....	1					1	1			3
Chests of tools.....							1			1
Carpets.....	25	40	47	37	12		10	2		173
Carriages.....	3	2	2	1	1					9
Chairs.....	192	591	1,384	393	102	322	77	12		3,073
Chests.....						24				24
Clocks.....	21	57	33	30	6	26	9	2	3	186
Clothes racks.....						27				27
Coal hods.....	15	30	1	52	9	4	4		3	118
Crayon portraits.....	12			7						12
Curtains.....			1							3
Delivery wagons.....	2									7
Desks.....	79	259	688	225	71	115	34	9	19	1,499
Desk covers.....	3					43				43
Dictionary holders.....		1			2					1
Desk tops.....	10		939					2	1	952
Dish photo.....									1	1
Drop lights.....	2	5	6	5	3	4		1		26
Drawing boards.....					3	22				31
Engravings.....	1		2	20	3		5	3		26
File cases.....	32	107	701	105	23	20	5	3	30	1,016
Fire extinguishers.....	2		3			1				6
Fire buckets.....						36				36
Flags.....	2		1				1			4
Force pumps.....	1						1			2
Foot lathes.....	1									1
Foot rests.....				210		196	7	1	3	416
Grindstones.....	2						1			3
Hat racks.....	1	4	49	20	1	5	1			82
Hand stamps.....	13	29	52	4	6	7	5	1	15	132
Harness (sets).....	5		3	2	1					11
Hektographs.....							1			1
Horses.....	5		2	1	1					9
Hose carriages.....	1					1				2
Hose (feet).....	400					120				520
Ice pitchers.....	17	5		4	4	1	7	2	1	41
Iron safes.....	4	3	2	3	1		1			14
Lamps.....	6	7		15	7	17	1			53
Lawn mowers.....	3									3
Lenses, photo.....									3	3
Letter presses.....	10	22	7	20	4	12	1	1	2	79
Linoleum (gas).....yd's.....		40	265						172	478
Lounges.....	4	5	1	2	1		3	1		17
Magnifying glasses.....			1			8				9
Mail bags.....	1	1	1	3	1		1		1	9
Map racks.....	1		5	3	1	5				15
Mats.....	9		3	15	8		1		5	41
Mattings.....yd's.....	14	18	9		10	50		2	7	110
Mirrors.....	24	64	40	48	12	27	7	2		224
Mortising machines.....							1			1
Paintings.....	3									3
Paper-cutting machines.....		1				1				2
Photographs.....	10	20	19	10	1					60
Plat cases.....				20						20
Pigeon-hole cases.....			50	150	15	34			2	251
Pipe tongs.....	7									7
Pipe-cutting machines.....	1									1
Portfolio boxes.....						26				26
Printing presses.....	4		2			2				8
Push carts.....			2	1		1				4
Rests, photo head.....									5	5
Rugs.....	13	1	14	15	2	3	9	3	6	66

INVENTORY OF PUBLIC PROPERTY.

B.—List of property purchased for the use of the Department of the Interior during year ending November 30, 1882.

Awnings	19	Mats	19
Ax	1	Matting	yards 3,449 ¹ / ₂
Backgrounds, photo	4	Mirrors	16
Book cases	9	Pigeon-hole cases	18
Book rest	1	Rests, photo head	5
Book rack	1	Rugs	18
Call bells	2	Robes	2
Carpet	yards 7,335	Rock photo	1
Carriages	2	Screens	31
Chairs	37	Satchel	1
Clocks	15	Scales	pairs 3
Coal hods	6	Shovels	6
Crayon portraits	3	Shades, window	135
Desks	648	Slop jars	29
Delivery wagon	1	Sofas	3
Dish photograph	1	Soap dishes	7
Dictionary holder	1	Stools	119
Drop light	1	Stoves	5
Drawing board	1	Spittoons	429
Fender	1	Tanks, photo lead	4
File cases	650	Tables	17
File boxes (Woodruff's)	116	Thermometers	3
Flag	1	Towel racks	3
Foot rests	6	Trays, photo	4
Hand stamps	84	Type-writing machines	6
Hammers	sets 2	Truck	1
Horse	1	Umbrella stands	9
Hose	feet 300	Washstands	8
Ice pitchers	5	Wash pitchers	23
Lamps	5	Wash basins	11
Lenses, photo	3	Water coolers	16
Letter presses	6	Water buckets	38
Linoleum	yards 404	Wardrobes	8
Lounges	2	Wheelbarrow	1
Magnifying glass	1	Yoke	1
Mail bags	3		

INSTRUMENTS PURCHASED.

Barometers	4	Rod, leveling	1
Clinometer	1	Repairing outfit for barometer	1
Clinometer and compass	1	Scales	1
Compass	1	Straight edges	2
Curves	8	T squares	2
Dividers	5	Triangles	21
Glasses, field	7	Tables, "Thompson" plane	2
Drawing instruments (sets)	3	Tapes	2
Levels	9	Thermometers	16
Odometer	1	Tripod, barometer	1
Psychrometer	1	Theodolite	1
Protractors	8		

C.—List of property sold by Department of the Interior during the year ending November 30 1882.

Awnings	10	Lot of hose	1
Box	1	Ladder	1
Lots of cambric (black)	3	Lots of mattings	26
Carpets	33	Lot of maps	1
Cases	4	Pigeon-hole cases	41
Coolers (water)	2	Lot of rope	1
Lots of closets	2	Stove	1
Lots of chairs	3	Tables	162
Lots of carpet lining	2	Tray	1
Lots of drawers	2	Lot of window shades	1
Lots of doors	2	Lots of old lumber	5
Earth closet	1	Pounds of waste paper	878,970