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L E T T E R
FROM
THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR,
TRANSMITTING,

In compliance with law, an inventory of property in the Department.

APRIL 30, 1886.—Laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
Washington, April 26, 1886.

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, 1885, and C, a list of such property as was sold during the same period.

Very respectfully,

L. Q. C. LAMAR,
Secretary.

The PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE PRO TEMPORE.

A.—Inventory of property in the Department of the Interior.

OFFICE.

Articles of property.	Secretary's.	Patent.	Pension.	Land.	Indian.	Education.	Railroad.	Survey.	Labor Bu- rean.	Total.
Anvils.....	1		1					2		4
Awning.....	55	98	109		45	44	6	60		417
Axes.....	2	3	2	5		1		6		19
Axes, pick.....								1		1
Book-cases.....	38	155	12	27	50	21	2		5	310
Book-rests.....	3	11	57		4	6				81
Book-racks.....	24	44	61	18	11					153
Blotter-baths.....				3	1	2	1	3	1	11
Box-openers.....	2									2
Blowers.....		26					1	16	3	46
Call-bells.....	1	11	22			5				34
Cabinets.....								82		87
Carpets.....	33	81	42	50	13	11	4	10	4	254
Carriages.....			1					1		2
Chandeliers.....						3	2			5
Chairs.....	215	659	1,318	451	132	78	17	305	34	3,209
Clocks.....	37	64	74	26	6	12	2	2	6	239
Carpenter's bench.....	1		3			1				5
Crayon portraits.....	13							23		13
Coal-hods.....	13	59		66	3	4	3			171
Copy-holders.....	10	16		43	3	2	2	5		81
Chests.....								1		1
Curtains.....			109	99	28		8			244
Caligraphs.....			3			1	1	8		10
Cyclostyles.....						1		6	1	11
Desks.....	114	336	299	389	74	39	8	70	17	1,316
Desk-covers.....	3	15	9	2				8	5	42
Dictionary-holders.....	13	39	903		2					957
Desk-tops.....	2	5				10		8		25
Drawing-boards.....		33		13			2	42		89
Drawing-tables.....					2					2
Droplights.....	2	9	7	5		1	2	5		31
Engravings.....	2		8	27						37
Engines.....	1									1
Eyelet-machines.....		18								18
File-cases.....	50	66	236	327	6	6	4	6	1	702
File-holders.....	1,127	13,962	1,712	5,074	1,778	883		100		24,636
File, Burlington.....			3			36				36
Fire-extinguishers.....	2		3			18				23
Fire-buckets.....	20		17							37
Foot-lathe.....	1							1		1
Foot-rasts.....	41	259	551	250	32	5	2	2		1,142
Forges.....	1	1	2					1		5
Force-pumps.....	2							1		3
Flags.....	5		4		1	1	1	3	2	17
Grindstones.....	2	2	1			1				6
Hand-stamps.....	17	91	87	23	5	4	1	63	9	300
Hammers.....			5				1	163	1	170
Harnesses.....	3		3					8		14
Hat-racks.....	1	12	11	12		3	1			40
Hatchets.....	2		6	4			1	17		30
Hektographs.....		1	6					8		15
Horses.....	3		2					5		10
Hose (feet).....	400		500			350				1,250
Hose-carriage.....	1									1
Ice-pitchers.....	21	8	13	7	2	7	2	6	2	68
Iron safes.....	4	4	3	3	1	1		1	1	17
Lamps.....	4	20	43	6	3	1		1		78
Letter-presses.....	12	40	15	23	7	1	1	5	1	105
Letter-press stands.....	10	25	9	18	7	1	1	5	1	77
Lawn-mowers.....	3									3
Lino-leum (yards).....		5	7					331		343
Lounges.....	5	4	6	6	2	3				26
Map-racks.....	1		4	1	1		1	2		10
Magnifying glasses.....	10							38		48
Mats.....	5	6	62	13		2		15	4	107
Mattings.....	23	11	10	17	5	5	4	6	1	82
Mail-bags.....	2	5			1	2		1		11
Mirrors.....	36	63	40	56	15	8	3	3	7	233
Numbering machines.....	1	3		1						5
Paper-cutting machines.....	1		1							2
Pigeon-hole cases.....			59	207	24	1		2		293
Pipe-tongs.....	7		6					2		15
Plumbers' vise.....	1		2							3
Pipe-cutting machine.....	1	2	3							6

INVENTORY OF PROPERTY IN INTERIOR DEPARTMENT.

Inventory of property in the Department of the Interior—Continued.

Articles of property.	Office.									Total.
	Secretary's.	Patent.	Pension.	Land.	Indian.	Education.	Railroad.	Survey.	Labor Bu. recon.	
Portfolio drawers.....		4,054								4,054
Push-carts.....		7								7
Paintings (oil).....	4		2							6
Photographs.....	9	243	13		11					276
Presses, job.....	2									2
Robes.....	3		3					2		8
Rugs.....	5	4	11	11	1	6		13	8	59
Refrigerators.....		1	1							2
Settees.....	8	6	2	10				3		29
Sealing presses.....	1	1		3						5
Screens.....	31	116	102	138	14	9	4	13	8	435
Scales.....	13	6	5	4		2	1	9		40
Soap-dishes.....	24	60	17	57		13	2	6		181
Shades.....	49	63		103	43	53		450	26	787
Shovels.....	12	5	12							39
Shovels and tongs.....	9	14		18						41
Step-ladders.....	10	68	14	61	8	7	1	6	4	179
Stools.....	12	465	72							549
Stoves.....	8	7		15	2					22
Stoves, gas.....		1		3						4
Spittoons.....	63	426	517	227	21	16	5	101	18	1,404
Sofas.....	5		4	5	1		1	2	3	20
Slop-jars.....	2	2	9	67	2		2	1	5	80
Salvers.....	1		2					1	2	5
Tables.....	41	322	1,060	117	35	12	3	124	7	1,721
Tents.....								5		5
Trucks.....	6	17	12	4		2		1		42
Type-writers.....	15	30	12	11	7	2	1	9	2	80
Type-writers stands.....	15	30	12	11	7	2	1	2	2	80
Trestles.....			325							325
Trunks, spl. ex.....			5	4	1	11	2	3	6	40
Towel-racks.....	5	12	5	2		14		177	4	204
Thermometers.....	5	19	23			3				50
Trays.....						3				3
Umbrella-stands.....	6	26	20	3	6	3		5	5	74
Vise.....			1							1
Wash-stands.....	3	17	25	35	5		3	4	5	95
Wash-pitchers.....	3	8	27	37	3	6	3	4	5	95
Wash-bowls.....	3	12	28	37	3		2	4	5	94
Water-coolers.....	8	54	36	21	9	3	1	6	3	147
Water-stands.....	6	32	38		9	3		6	3	97
Water-buckets.....	15	78	15	42	9	4		26	2	161
Wagons.....								3		3
Wardrobes.....	10	20	21	11	2	6	1	8	4	63
Walnut cases.....			8							8
Wagons, delivery.....	3		1							4
Wheelbarrows.....	7	5	2			1		1		14
Yokes.....				8						8

Inventory of property in the Department of the Interior—Continued.

TOOLS, INSTRUMENTS, &c.

Articles.	Number.	Articles.	Number.
Alidades, sight	22	Gasometers	2
Alidades, telescope	8	Gradienters	18
Artazimuths	2	Heliotropes	12
Anemometers	2	Hydrometers	1
Aneroids	77	Hygrometers	1
Apparatus, draughting	1	Lenses	4
Apparatus, plane-table	2	Levels	57
Apparatus, 4-meter base	1	Locomotives, Bunsen	6
Apparatus, drying	3	Machines, vertical	3
Apparatus, copper	1	Microscopes	5
Apparatus, blow-pipe	1	Microscopic objectives	7
Apparatus, polarization	1	Odometers	49
Apparatus, universal	1	Odometers, vehicles	6
Areameter	1	Pantographs	2
Aspirator	1	Pedometers	1
Balances	1	Pipettes	1
Barometer	53	Picks, geologic	12
Barometer repair-boxes	35	Plane-tables	33
Backgrounds, photograph	4	Plate-holders	93
Balances, laboratory	7	Plate-lifters	21
Battery, dipping	1	Platform	1
Baths, photograph	2	Pliers, German	9
Baths, case	1	Pliers, Hall	1
Baths, various	30	Plumbbobs	1
Boilers, Q. H. P.	1	Polariscope	1
Boilers, copper	1	Protractors, assorted	111
Boat, porcelain	2	Pumps and heater	1
Boxes, microscopic	2	Psychrometer	20
Boxes, negative	64	Rules, steel metric	8
Boxes, photograph	1	Rods, leveling	24
Blowers, buff pres	14	Saws, Kerr's	2
Burettes, swimmers	6	Saws, diamond	24
Burettes	2	Stand and camera	1
Camera and box	1	Spacer, steel	1
Calameters, Schable's	1	Spectroscopes	2
Cameras	20	Squares	2
Cameras, lucida	3	Spliners	25
Cases for cameras	16	Stoves, M. & F	2
Cart, odometer	2	Standards, P. table	2
Cart, Clarkson	1	Stands, laboratory	10
Copper, evaporating	1	Still, copper	1
Compasses, pairs	22	Tapelines	49
Compasses, asstd	91	Tables, L. & M.	35
Chronographs	1	Telemeters	2
Climometers	2	Tanks, tin	1
Chairs, surveyors	2	Telescopes	1
Condensers, bull's eye	1	Tanks, lead-lined	5
Condensers, Liebig	6	Theodolites	11
Crucibles, assorted	149	Thermopile, Clemond's	1
Cups, deep-sea	1	Transits	11
Cylinders, various	12	Triangles, assorted	125
Desiccators and essicators	20	Tripods	38
Dishes, evaporating	24	Tracks for camera	1
Dishes, sand-bath	1	Vessels, copper	2
Dividers, pairs	72	Vulcanizers	2
Engine, Q. H. P.	2	Watches, nickel	4
Furnaces	75	Sextant and horizon	1
Glasses, field	45		

INVENTORY OF PROPERTY IN INTERIOR DEPARTMENT.

B.—A list of property purchased for the use of the Department of the Interior during the year ending November 30, 1885.

Articles.	Number.	Articles.	Number.
Awnings	111	Mail-bags	7
Axes	2	Mirrors	6
Book cases	7	Portfolio drawers	392
Black walnut cases	13	Pigeon-hole cases	7
Book trucks	9	Portraits	1
Blotter baths	24	Reading glasses	23
Boiler	1	Rugs	20
Buckets, galvanized, iron	117	Revolving book-racks	22
Call-bells	4	Spittoons	362
Caligraphs	7	Scales	7
Caligraph stands	5	Saddlebags	21
Carpet	yards. 12,307	Screws	5
Copy holders	31	Stoves	2
Clocks	71	Stools	107
Chairs	400	Settees	3
Cyclostyles	6	Stamps, steel	2
Desks	108	Step-ladders	6
Desk washstands	8	Sofas	3
Desk screens	22	Tables	93
Dictionary stands	4	Thermometers	108
Drop-lights	9	Typewriters	28
Engines	3	Typewriters, cabinets	7
Eyelet machines	4	Vises	2
Flags	19	Wardrobes	17
File holders	3,164	Water-coolers	45
File cabinets	7	Pipe-cutter	1
File cases	21	Hammers	34
Hektographs	14	Lamps, student	13
Hand stamps	214	Racks, coat, &c	2
Ice-pitchers	13	Window shades	88
Iron safes	1	Harness, double	2
Letter presses	19	Harness, single	2
Letter-press stands	7	Hatchets	7
Lamps, park	2	Anvils	2
Lounges	2	Tents	1
Matting, straw	yards. 869	Wagons	2
Matting, napier	4,180	Washstands	12
Mats	10	Wheelbarrow	1
Map rollers	611	Water-cooler stands	45

TOOLS, INSTRUMENTS, ETC.

Apparatus:		Cylinders:	
Drying	1	Drying	5
Blowpipe	1	Fifty-foot gas	1
Polarization	1	Extra plumbago	3
Universal	1	Reserve	1
Aspirator	1	Graduated	2
Balances, laboratory	4	Desiccators and easicators	8
Baths:		Dishes:	
Water	1	Evaporating	7
Chemical	4	Sets	3
Hot air	2	Dividers	51
No. 8 stop-cook	1	Flasks:	
Boat, porcelain	2	Elonger	59
Burets	2	Liter	6
Burners, Bunsen	14	Glasses, field	14
Bunsen locomotives	6	Gradiometer	1
Barometers:		Heliotrope	1
Aneroid	21	Lenses, Coddington	4
Cistern	17	Levels	9
Repair-boxes	34	Microscopes	2
Carts, odometer	1	Thermopile, Clemond's	1
Calameter, Schubler's	1	Microscopic objectives	7
Cases, carrying	3	Odometers	16
Cameras	6	Plane tables	8
Chains, surveyors'	2	Plate-holders	48
Compasses	15	Pick, geologic	1
Pocket	1	Protractors	72
Cliometer	19	Psychrometers	6
Priamatic	19	Polariscope	1
Tripod	1	Platform, with attachment	1
Copper, Bunsen, evaporating	1	Pliers, Hall's	1
Crucibles:		Peycommeters	2
Platinum	7	Rules, steel, metric	8
Silver	2	Saws, diamond	12
Porcelain	138	Stands, for laboratory	9

A list of property purchased for the use of the Department of the Interior, &c.—Continued.

TOOLS, IMPLEMENTS, &c.—Continued.

Articles.	Number.	Articles.	Number.
Still, copper	1	Tables—Continued.	
Stoves:		Balance	4
Morton's	1	Tape-lines	15
Fletcher's	1	Theodolites	2
Squares:		Transits	2
Hordstell	1	Triangles	67
Universal	1	Tripods	22
Tables:		Vessels, copper	2
Laboratory	29		

C. —List of property sold by the Department of the Interior during the year ending November 30, 1885.

1 lot awnings.	5 large cases.
39 awnings.	1 long table.
1 lot boards.	1 letter-press.
5 bookcases.	7 lots lumber.
2 benches.	3 letter-press stands.
38 boxes, old.	2 lamps.
6 buckets.	41 lots matting.
4 book-racks.	10 lots matting, cocoa.
2 lots curtains.	1 lot mats.
32 lots carpet.	15 model cases.
43 cases.	2 lots pipe.
15 lots chairs.	1 push-cart.
2 cupboards.	1 platform.
29 desks, old.	1 platform-scale.
6 desk-tops,	22 lots pigeon-holes.
9 doors.	1 sofa.
1 lot footstools.	21 stoves.
1 lot files.	2 screens.
1 fender.	2 lots spittoons.
9 frames.	38 shelves.
1 lot flags.	152 tables.
1 gas stove.	8 trucks.
4 gates.	1 lot type.
2 lots glass doors.	13 water-coolers.
2 lots iron.	2 washstand.
1 ice box.	12 water-cooler stands.
1 lot junk.	