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L E T T E R

FROM

THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR.

TRANSMITTING,

In response to Senate resolution of February 5, papers in the case of Henry Ward.

FEBRUARY 15, 1886.—Ordered to be printed, and, with the accompanying papers, referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
Washington, February 13, 1886.

SIR: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Senate resolution of the 5th instant, in words as follows:

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Interior be directed to communicate to the Senate copies of all papers which have been filed in the Interior Department, and of all papers which have been presented to any officer of that Department, touching the official and personal conduct of Henry Ward, Indian inspector, during his continuance in said office.

I transmit all the official papers on file in the Department which I understand to be embraced by the resolution.

The official reports made to this Department by Henry Ward, as United States Indian inspector, are voluminous, and as the clerical force of this Department is limited and otherwise fully employed, I have deemed it best to transmit the original reports. As they are frequently consulted in the transaction of the business of the Department, I have the honor to request that they be returned to its files as soon as they are no longer required by the Senate.

I am directed by the President to say that if the object of the resolution is to inquire into the reasons for the suspension of Mr. Ward, these papers are not to be considered as constituting all the evidence submitted to him in relation thereto.

I am also directed by the President to say that he does not consider it consistent with the public interests to transmit copies of unofficial papers from private citizens, held in my custody for him, which relate exclusively to the suspension of incumbents.

I have the honor to be, very respectfully,

L. Q. C. LAMAR,
Secretary.

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE.

PAPERS IN THE CASE OF HENRY WARD.

EXECUTIVE MANSION,
Washington, D. C., July 23, 1885.

You are hereby suspended from the office of Indian inspector, in accordance with the terms of section 1768 of the Revised Statutes of the United States, regulating the tenure of certain civil offices, and subject to all provisions of law applicable thereto.

GROVER CLEVELAND.

To HENRY WARD.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
Washington, July 28, 1885.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith orders for the suspensions of Henry Ward and * * * , and the designations of Morris A. Thomas and * * * to the vacancies thus created, and to request thereon your signature.

I have the honor to be, sir, with great respect, your obedient servant,

L. Q. C. LAMAR,
Secretary.

The PRESIDENT.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
Washington, July 30, 1885.

SIR: There are transmitted herewith, by order of the Secretary, orders from the President for the suspension of Henry Ward and * * * as Indian inspectors; * * * and also designations of Morris A. Thomas * * * to the offices thus vacated, respectively.

Very respectfully,

GEORGE M. LOCKWOOD,
Chief Clerk.

The COMMISSIONER OF INDIAN AFFAIRS.

DENVER, COLO., August 7, 1885.

SIR: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt this day of the President's order of July 28, suspending me from office as United States Indian inspector.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

HENRY WARD,
United States Indian Inspector.

The Hon. SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR.

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