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EXIGENCY PURCHASES OF INDIAN GOODS.

L E T T E R

FROM

THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR,

TRANSMITTING.

A statement showing open-market exigency purchases of Indian goods and supplies in excess of \$500 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1889.

DECEMBER 9, 1889.—Referred to the Committee on Expenditures in the Interior Department and ordered to be printed.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
Washington, December 3, 1889.

SIR: In compliance with the provisions contained in section 5 of the Indian appropriation act of March 2, 1889, (25 Stat., 1002), I have the honor to transmit herewith copy of a communication of October 14, 1889, from the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, and accompanying statement showing the open-market exigency purchases of Indian goods and supplies in excess of \$500 authorized by the Department during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1889.

I have the honor to be, very respectfully,

JOHN W. NOBLE,
Secretary.

The SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,
Washington, October 14, 1889.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith a statement showing open-market exigency purchases of Indian goods and supplies in excess of \$500 authorized by you during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1889, under act approved June 29, 1888 (25 Stat., 237), and containing also a brief statement of facts constituting the exigency on which each of the purchases was authorized.

Very respectfully,

T. J. MORGAN,
Commissioner.

The SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR.

Statement of open market exigency purchases of Indian goods and supplies, made in excess of \$500, authorized by the Secretary of the Interior during the fiscal year 1889, under act approved June 28, 1888 (25 Stat., 237).

Date of authority.	Amount authorized.	Agency or school.	For purchase of—	Exigency under which authority was granted.
1888.				
July 1	\$1,500.00	Tongue River Agency	Beef and flour	Needed to supply agency pending execution of contract.
July 5	3,000.00	Fort Peck Agency	Beef	Do.
July 6	3,000.00	Rosebud Agency	do	Do.
July 10	3,000.00	do	do	Do.
July 19	1,000.00	Standing Rock Agency	Supplies	Needed for immediate use; supplies purchased under contract not yet arrived.
July 27	1,143.82	San Carlos Agency	Beef	Needed to supply agency pending execution of contract.
July 28	847.25	do	do	Do.
August 20	588.00	Standing Rock Agency	Four mules	Wanted for immediate use; contracted for prior to end of fiscal year but not delivered before that time; purchased at contract rates.
September 4	630.88	Devil's Lake school	Material for building school ..	Needed to complete building before cold weather begins; no time to advertise.
September 10	3,000.00	Carlisle school	Coal, etc	Contract made but disapproved; needed for immediate use.
September 27	3,000.00	Mission Agency	Supplies	Needed for immediate use; Yuma Indians in destitute condition.
September 28	815.00	Crow school	Building material	Needed to make repairs before cold weather; not sufficient time to advertise.
October 3	3,000.00	Carlisle school	Coal	Contract disapproved by Department; needed for immediate use.
October 6	1,611.26	do	Lumber	Do.
October 11	2,380.00	Genoa school	Coal	Advertised for, but no bids received; necessary to purchase in open market.
November 8	775.00	Carlisle school	Boiler for heating	Building to be occupied December 1; not sufficient time to advertise.
November 6	588.00	Standing Rock Agency	Four horses	Wanted for immediate use; contracted for prior to end of fiscal year but not delivered before that time; purchased at contract rates.
November 14	3,000.00	Tongue River Agency	Subsistence	Needed immediately to prevent suffering among Northern Cheyennes.
November 17	1,358.00	Carlisle school	Desks	Building to be occupied December 1; not sufficient time to advertise.
November 30	2,332.50	San Carlos Agency	Seed grain	Required at once; ground already plowed; not time to advertise and secure delivery for planting at proper time.
December 18	2,000.00	do	do	Do.
December 8	1,729.50	La Pointe Agency	Pork and flour	Needed immediately; Grand Portage Indians in destitute condition.
1889.				
February 21	000.00	Crow Creek and Lower Brule Agency	Machine repairs	Needed immediately; impracticable to advertise and make contract for such articles.
February 28	2,500.00	Sisseton Agency	Seed grain	Required at once; ground already plowed; not time to advertise and secure delivery for planting at proper time.
March 13	3,000.00	White Earth Agency	Seed wheat	Advertised for but no bids received; no time to readvertise.
April 3	2,500.00	do	do	Do.
April 8	683.20	Cheyenne and Arapahoe Agency	Seed grain	Required at once; not time to advertise and contract for delivery in time for spring planting.
April 16	600.00	Fork Belknap Agency	Seed wheat	Land already plowed by Indians; too late to advertise in time for spring planting.
May 1	1,230.00	do	Wire fence	Required at once to fence new plowed land; wire contract exhausted; not time to advertise.
May 20	1,263.80	Uintah and Ouray Agency ..	Wagons and harness	Wanted immediately; contract not yet approved; purchased at contract rates.