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In the Senate of the United States. Letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, in answer to the resolution of the Senate of December 14, 1893, with respect to the value of textile fabrics purchased for the Army, the Navy, the Indian Bureau, and the Marine-Hospital Service for the fiscal year 1893, transmitting reports of the Secretary of War, the Secretary of the Navy, the Secretary of the Interior, and the Surgeon-General of the Marine Hospital Service, relative thereto.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

LETTER

FROM

THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY,

IN ANSWER TO

*The resolution of the Senate of December 14, 1893, with respect to the value of textile fabrics purchased for the Army, the Navy, the Indian Bureau, and the Marine-Hospital Service for the fiscal year 1893, transmitting reports of the Secretary of War, the Secretary of the Navy, the Secretary of the Interior, and the Surgeon-General of the Marine Hospital Service, relative thereto.*

FEBRUARY 12, 1894.—Ordered to lie on the table and be printed.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, *February 8, 1894.*

SIR: In compliance with the resolution of the Senate of December 14, 1893—

That the Secretary of the Treasury be directed to report to the Senate the value of the textile fabrics purchased for the Army, the Navy, the Indian Bureau, and the Marine-Hospital Service for the fiscal year 1893,

I have the honor to inform the Senate that the value of textile fabrics so purchased was \$1,854,779.53, as follows:

|                                      |                |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|
| For the Army.....                    | \$1,002,753.85 |
| For the Navy.....                    | 330,958.62     |
| For the Indian Bureau.....           | 506,952.00     |
| For the Marine-Hospital Service..... | 14,114.96      |
| Total.....                           | 1,854,779.43   |

The reports of the Secretary of War of the 3d instant, the Secretary of the Navy of the 27th ultimo, the Secretary of the Interior of the 22d ultimo, and the Supervising Surgeon-General of the Marine-Hospital Service of the 18th ultimo are transmitted herewith.

Respectfully yours,

J. G. CARLISLE,  
*Secretary.*

The PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE.

WAR DEPARTMENT,  
Washington City, February 3, 1894.

SIR: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of December 15, 1893, inclosing a copy of Senate resolution, dated December 14, 1893, directing the Secretary of the Treasury "to report to the Senate the value of the textile fabrics purchased for the Army, the Navy, the Indian Bureau, and the Marine-Hospital Service for the fiscal year 1893," and in response to your request to be furnished with information so far as the Army is concerned, I beg to inclose a copy of a report from the Quartermaster-General and reports from the Commissary-General of Subsistence, the Surgeon-General the Chief of Engineers, the Chief of Ordnance, and the Chief Signal Officer on the subject.

The value of textile fabrics purchased during the year 1893, as given in the reports of the officers mentioned, is as follows:

|                                 |                 |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| Quartermaster's Department..... | \$902, 072. 44  |
| Subsistence Department .....    | 15, 612. 18     |
| Medical Department.....         | 10, 978. 48     |
| Engineer Department.....        | 20, 946. 08     |
| Ordnance Department .....       | 53, 110. 12     |
| Signal Corps .....              | 34. 55          |
| Total.....                      | 1, 002, 753. 85 |

Very respectfully,

DANIEL S. LAMONT,  
*Secretary of War.*

The SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

WAR DEPARTMENT, SURGEON-GENERAL'S OFFICE,  
Washington, December 20, 1893.

SIR: I have the honor to forward inclosed, a statement of "textile fabrics purchased by the Medical Department, U. S. Army, during the fiscal year, 1893," amounting to \$10,978.48, as requested in a letter of the Acting Secretary of the Treasury, dated December 15, 1893, copy of which was forwarded to this office by the honorable the Secretary of War December 19, 1893.

Very respectfully,

GEO. M. STERNBERG,  
*Surgeon-General U. S. Army.*

The SECRETARY OF WAR,  
Washington, D. C.

*Textile fabrics purchased by the Medical Department of the U. S. Army during the fiscal year, 1893.*

|                           |            |
|---------------------------|------------|
| Bandages:                 |            |
| Roller .....              | \$603. 00  |
| Suspensory .....          | 100. 00    |
| Flannel.....              | 227. 00    |
| Flannel, red .....        | 325. 00    |
| Muslin, unbleached .....  | 111. 10    |
| Tape, cotton.....         | 21. 50     |
| Mosquito bars .....       | 2, 035. 04 |
| Pillow cases, cotton..... | 130. 00    |
| Quilts, colored.....      | 1, 488. 00 |
| Sheets, cotton.....       | 839. 00    |

|   |           |
|---|-----------|
| Towels:                                     |           |
| Hand .....                                  | 1,948.80  |
| Roller .....                                | 1,184.91  |
| Holland, for curtains and bed screens ..... | 235.00    |
| Window curtains .....                       | 141.69    |
| Hose, canvas .....                          | 475.00    |
| Canvas for litters .....                    | 1,025.00  |
| Carpet .....                                | 56.25     |
| Cheese cloth .....                          | 8.50      |
| Napkins, linen .....                        | 23.69     |
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| Total .....                                 | 10,978.48 |

WAR DEPARTMENT.

*Surgeon-General's Office, December 20, 1893.*

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ORDNANCE OFFICE,  
*Washington, December 22, 1893.*

Respectfully returned to the Secretary of War.

The value of the textile fabrics purchased by this Department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1893, was \$53,110.12.

D. W. FLAGLER,  
*Brig. Gen., Chief of Ordnance.*

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WAR DEPARTMENT, SIGNAL OFFICE,  
*Washington, D. C., December 21, 1893.*

Respectfully returned to the honorable Secretary of War, Washington, D. C., with the information called for herewith inclosed.

A. W. GREELY,  
*Chief Signal Officer.*

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WAR DEPARTMENT,  
*Signal Office, December 21, 1893.*

Textile fabrics were purchased by the Signal Corps during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1893, as follows: 1 Bigelow body Brussels rug, \$34.55.

A. W. GREELY,  
*Chief Signal Officer.*

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WAR DEPARTMENT,  
OFFICE COMMISSARY-GENERAL OF SUBSISTENCE,  
*Washington, D. C., December 29, 1893.*

SIR: Referring to Senate resolution of December 14, 1893, request ing information as to the value of textile fabrics purchased for the Army and for other branches of the public service for the fiscal year 1893, copy of which was referred to this office for report, I have the honor to state that the only textile fabrics purchased by the Subsistence Department of the Army in the fiscal year 1893 consisted of towels, toweling, and handkerchiefs, which were provided for sales to the officers and enlisted men of the Army, under section 1144, Revised Statutes, and amounted in the aggregate to \$15,612.18 in that year.

Respectfully, your obedient servant,

JOHN P. HAWKINS,  
*Commissary-General of Subsistence.*

The SECRETARY OF WAR.

[Copy of indorsement of the Quartermaster-General, U. S. Army, upon the letter of the Secretary of the Treasury, dated December 15, 1893, inclosing copy of a resolution of the Senate of the 14th of December, 1893, calling for a report as to the value of textile fabrics purchased for the Army \* \* \* for the fiscal year, 1893.]

WAR DEPARTMENT,  
QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL'S OFFICE,  
*Washington, December 20, 1893.*

Respectfully returned to the honorable the Secretary of War with report that the total expenditures by the Quartermaster's Department during the last fiscal year, on account of the purchase of textile fabrics, amounted to \$902,072.44.

R. N. BATCHELDER,  
*Quartermaster-General, U. S. Army.*

OFFICE CHIEF OF ENGINEERS, U. S. ARMY,  
*February 2, 1894.*

Respectfully returned to the Secretary of War. From reports of officers' disbursing funds under this office the total value of textile fabrics purchased by them, during the fiscal year 1893, aggregated \$20,946.08.

THOS. LINCOLN CASEY,  
*Brig. Gen., Chief of Engineers.*

NAVY DEPARTMENT,  
*Washington, December 27, 1893.*

SIR: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 15th instant, transmitting a copy of Senate resolution dated December 14, 1893, directing that the Secretary of the Treasury report the value of the textile fabrics purchased for the Army, the Navy, the Indian Bureau, and the Marine-Hospital Service for the fiscal year 1893, and requesting a report from this Department to enable you to comply with the directions of the resolution at an early day.

In reply I have to inform you that the Bureau of Supplies and Accounts of this Department reports under date of the 26th instant that the total value of textile fabrics purchased for the Navy during the fiscal year 1893 was \$330,958.62.

I have the honor to be, sir, very respectfully,

H. A. HERBERT,  
*Secretary of the Navy.*

The SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
*Washington, December 22, 1893.*

SIR: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 15th instant and accompanying copy of a resolution of the Senate calling for a report as to the value of the textile fabrics purchased for the Indian Bureau for the fiscal year 1893.

In response thereto I have the honor to transmit herewith copy of a communication of 21st instant from the Commissioner of Indian Affairs containing the desired information.

I have the honor to be, very respectfully,

HOKE SMITH,  
*Secretary.*

The SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,  
*Washington, December 21, 1893.*

SIR: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt, by your reference of the 14th instant, of the communication from the Acting Secretary of the Treasury in which he requests information as to the value of textile fabrics purchased for use in the Indian service during the fiscal year 1893, in order that he may answer Senate resolution of December 14, 1893.

In reply to your request for a report thereon I have the honor to state that there were expended for textile fabrics, for use in the Indian service during the period named, \$242,952, so far as can be ascertained. In addition to this amount ready-made clothing was purchased to the value of \$264,000.

The letter from the Acting Secretary of the Treasury and its inclosure are herewith returned.

Very respectfully,

D. M. BROWNING,  
*Commissioner.*

The SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,  
OFFICE OF THE SUPERVISING SURGEON-GENERAL,  
MARINE-HOSPITAL SERVICE,  
*Washington, D. C., December 19, 1893.*

SIR: In reply to your letter of the 15th instant, inclosing copy of a resolution of the Senate of the 14th instant, calling for a report of the value of the textile fabrics purchased for the Marine-Hospital Service \* \* \* for the fiscal year 1893, I have the honor to state that the expenditures for this service on that account, for the period mentioned, amounted to \$14,114.96.

Respectfully, yours,

WALTER WYMAN,  
*Supervising Surgeon-General Marine-Hospital Service.*

The SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.