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REPORT

FROM

THE SECRETARY OF WAR,

*With statements from the Second and Third Auditors of Payments on Contracts and Advances to Disbursing Officers, &c., in obedience to a resolution of the Senate of the 1st of July, 1836.*

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DECEMBER 8, 1836.

Read, and ordered to be printed.

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WAR DEPARTMENT,

December 7, 1836.

SIR: In compliance with the resolution of the Senate of July 1, 1836, requiring an account to be laid before it, at the commencement of this session of Congress, of all moneys which shall have been paid on contracts, or advances to disbursing officers, out of appropriations made at the last session, I have the honor to transmit reports of the Second and Third Auditors.

Very respectfully,

Your most obedient servant,

B. F. BUTLER,

*Secretary of War ad interim.*

Hon. M. VAN BUREN,

*President of the Senate.*

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT,

*Second Auditor's Office, December, 1836.*

SIR: In obedience to a resolution of the Senate of the United States dated July 1, 1836, I have the honor to transmit, herewith, a statement showing the amount paid or advanced out of the several appropriations made at the last session of Congress, as exhibited this day by the books of this office.

Very respectfully, sir,

Your obedient servant,

W. B. LEWIS.

Hon. B. F. BUTLER,

*Secretary of War ad interim.*

*STATEMENT showing the amount of moneys paid or advanced out of the several appropriations made at the last session of Congress, as exhibited by the books of this office on the 3d December, 1836. Prepared in pursuance of a resolution of the Senate of the United States dated the 1st July, 1836.*

Appropriations.	Amount drawn out.
Pay of the army per act 14th May, 1836,	\$555,071 25
Subsistence of officers " " "	250,490 70
Clothing for servants " " "	15,382 51
Forage " " "	15,813 30
Purchasing department " " "	159,792 51
Expenses of recruiting " " "	14,772 63
Medical and hospital department " " "	18,873 05
Arming and equipping militia " " "	45,425 58
Ordnance " " "	71,601 85
Armories " " "	313,978 42
Arsenals " " "	219,676 69
Armament of fortifications " " "	232,018 02
Accoutrements of the army " " "	35,000 00
Pay of Indian agents " " "	15,060 64
Purchase of sites and construction of arsenals in Arkansas, Missouri, and Tennessee, per act 2d July, 1836	10,000 00
Purchase of light field artillery " " "	52,180 00
For constructing furnaces for heating cannon balls " "	2,300 00
Purchases of gunpowder, per act 14th May, 1836	62,000 00
Purchase of the site and building an arsenal near Fayetteville, North Carolina, per act 14th June, 1836	7,590 00
Repressing hostilities with the Seminole Indians; per acts of the 14th and 29th January and 29th April, 1836	883,915 03
Repressing hostilities with the Creek Indians, per act 23d May, 1836	254,950 00
Payment of certain companies of militia of Missouri and Indiana, per act 2d July, 1836	4,300 00
For volunteers and additional dragoons, per act 23d May, 1836	104,085 64
Payment of expenses of Indian deputation, per act 14th June, 1836	14,050 00
Treaty with the Caddoes of 1835, per act 14th June, 1836	40,000 00
Pay of officers at West Point " " "	35,460 00
Subsistence of ditto at ditto " " "	23,750 00
Clothing of servants of ditto at ditto " " "	180 25
Forage of ditto at ditto " " "	364 00
Supplying arsenals with ordnance stores, per act 14th May, 1836	42,533 00
Preventing and suppressing Indian hostilities, per act 2d July, 1836	558,953 27
National armory at Springfield, per act 2d July, 1836	25,500 00

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Appropriations.	Amount drawn out.
Purchase of rifles for Pottawatamies, per act 14th June, 1836	\$2,287 62
Expenses of negotiating treaties with certain bands of Pottawatamies in 1836, per act 2d July, 1836	636 75
Purchase of cannon balls, per act 14th May, 1836	8,737 56
Holding treaties with certain Indian tribes, per act 14th June, 1836	22,500 00
Treaties with Mes-quaw-backs and other bands of Pottawatamies, per act 2d July, 1836	24,960 00
Treaty with Swan-creek and Black-river Chippewas of 9th May, 1836, per act 2d July, 1836	10,278 01
Expenses of treaty with Chippewas of Saginaw, per act 14th June, 1836	5,102 87
Treaty stipulations, per act 14th June, 1836	20,785 03
For locating reservations, &c. per act 14th June, 1836	7,340 56
Treaty with Cherokees of 29th of December, 1835, per act 2d July, 1836	1,037,557 97
Anninies, per act 2d June, 1836	207,902 68
Blacksmiths' establishments, per act 2d June, 1836	19,745 25
Education of Indian youth, per act 2d June, 1836	10,300 83
Treaty with Ottawa and Chippewa Indians, per act 2d July, 1836	690,437 18
Payments in lieu of clothing, per act 14th May, 1836	29,883 69
Knapsacks and camp equipage for volunteers or militia, per act 19th March, 1836	52,705 00
Medals and swords for Colonel Croghan and others, per act 9th May, 1836	4,300 00
National armory at Harper's Ferry, per act 9th May, 1836	5,000 00
Dollars	6,245,535 38

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,

Second Auditor's Office, December 3, 1836.

W. B. LEWIS.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,  
*Third Auditor's Office, December 5, 1836.*

SIR: I have the honor to transmit, herewith, "an account of all moneys which have been paid on contracts of advanced to disbursing officers, out of appropriations made at the last session of Congress," through this office, on requisitions issued by the Secretary of War to the 3d December, instant, inclusive, prepared in pursuance of the resolution of the Senate of the United States passed the 1st July, 1836.

I have the honor to be,

With great respect,

Your obedient servant,

PETER HAGNER, *Auditor..*

Hon. B. F. BUTLER,  
*Secretary of War.*

*Amount of all moneys which have been paid, on contracts or advanced to disbursing officers, out of appropriations made at the last session of Congress through the office of the Third Auditor (on requisitions issued by the Secretary of War) to the 3d of December, inclusive, prepared in pursuance of the resolution of the Senate of the United States, passed the 1st July, 1836.*

Appropriations.	Amount paid on contracts.	Amount of advances made to disbursing officers.
Subsistence of the army - - -	\$51,866 22	\$94,085 69
Quartermaster department - - -	-	282,774 94
Army transportation - - -	-	145,382 54
Officers' transportation - - -	-	29,610 80
Revolutionary pensions - - -	-	346,073 90
Invalid pensions - - -	-	80,388 22
Pensions, per act 15th May, 1828 - - -	-	52,378 00
Do do 7th June, 1832 - - -	-	1,702,592 01
Do do 14th May, 1836 - - -	-	2,885 66
Do do 15th June, 1836 - - -	-	1,275 10
Repressing Seminole hostilities, per acts January and April, - - -	-	1,871,805 38
Repressing Creek hostilities, per act 23d May, - - -	-	244,990 35
Preventing and suppressing Indian hostilities, per act July, - - -	-	1,831,974 19
Barracks at Key West - - -	-	5,803 28
Light-house, &c. on pier at Oswego harbor - - -	-	1,200 00
Building for a beacon-light on pier at Black river - - -	-	2,600 00
Arrearages of expenses of astronomical observations incurred in 1835 - - -	-	13,615 00
Volunteers and additional dragoons or mounted riflemen - - -	-	102,500 00
Cumberland road in Ohio - - -	-	145,000 00
Do do in Indiana - - -	-	144,040 00
Do do in Illinois - - -	-	30,000 00
Delaware breakwater - - -	-	80,212 97
Continuing improvement in the harbor of Chicago - - -	-	30,800 00
Continuing improvement at Plymouth beach - - -	-	500 00
Continuing improvement in Big Sodus bay - - -	-	7,000 00
Continuation of works in Provincetown harbor - - -	-	338 35
Continuation of works at mouth of river Raisin - - -	-	15,000 00
Removal of obstructions at Black-river, Ohio - - -	-	6,660 00
Improvement of Cleaveland harbor, Ohio - - -	-	15,006 59
Removal of obstructions at Grand river - - -	-	5,018 89
Removal of obstructions at Cunningham creek - - -	-	1,307 36
Removal of obstructions at Conneaut creek - - -	-	2,500 00

Appropriations.	Amount paid on contracts.	Amount of advances made to disbursing officers.
Improvement of the harbor of Presque isle	-	\$15,000 00
Improvement of the harbor of Dunkirk	-	8,458 18
Works at the mouth of Genesee river	-	10,000 00
Pier and mole at Oswego harbor, N. Y.	-	7,700 00
Pier and mole at Kennebunk river	-	3,001 68
Improvement of the navigation of Hudson river	-	83,227 64
Improvement of the harbor of Newcastle, Del.	-	25,000 00
Removal of obstructions at Ocracock inlet	-	1,000 00
Improvement of navigation of Cape Fear river	-	9,137 01
Improvement of navigation of the Ohio and Mississippi rivers from Louisville to New Orleans	-	59,890 00
Improvement of navigation of the Mississippi river above the mouth of the Ohio, and for Missouri river	-	8,000 00
Continuing the removal of obstructions in Red river	-	40,800 00
Constructing a boat to prevent new accumulations, &c. in the Great raft	-	30,000 00
Continuing the improvement of Cumberland river in Kentucky and Tennessee	-	14,500 00
Completing inland channel between St. Mary's and St. John's, Florida	-	600 00
Further improvement at the mouth of Huron river, Ohio	-	4,300 00
Completing the pier at Laplaisance bay, Mic.	-	323 15
Repairing the breach in peninsula at Presque isle	-	122 80
Erecting a beacon-light at Erie, Penn.	-	69 69
Erecting a light-house at Buffalo, N. Y.	-	494 78
Improvement of navigation of the Ohio and Mississippi rivers from Pittsburg to New Orleans	-	17,800 05
Roads and canals, per act April 30, 1824,	-	12,847 13
Defraying expenses of board of visitors, West Point,	-	2,000 00
Arrearages of the same in 1834 and 1835, West Point	-	382 48
Fuel, forage, stationary, &c. West Point	-	9,402 00
Repairs, improvements, &c., of buildings, grounds, &c. West Point	-	6,800 00
Pay of adjutant's and quartermaster's clerks, West Point	-	712 50
Philosophical apparatus and repairs of same, West Point	-	300 00

Appropriations.	Amount paid on contracts.	Amount of advances made to disbursing officers.
Models for the department of engineering, West Point	-	\$500 00
Models for drawing department, apparatus, &c. West Point	-	927 00
Purchase and repairs of instruments for the band, West Point	-	392 00
Incidental expenses of the department of artillery, West Point	-	50 00
Increase and expenses of library, West Point	-	800 00
Miscellaneous items and incidental expenses, West Point	-	1,720 00
Completing the chapel, West Point	-	3,500 00
Preservation of Castle island and Fort Independence	-	6,000 00
Fort Warren, Boston harbor	-	48,400 00
Fort Adams	-	130,000 00
Fort Schuyler, on Throg's neck, N. Y.	-	20,000 00
Repair of Fort Columbus, Castle William, &c.	-	16,000 00
Fort Delaware (rebuilding of)	-	56,620 00
Fort Calhoun.	-	42,200 00
Fort Caswell, Oak island, N. Y.	-	7,400 00
Fortifications at Charleston harbor, &c. site of Fort Moultrie.	-	6,000 00
Fort Pulaski, Cockspur island, Ga.	-	69,500 00
Fort Pickens, Pensacola, Florida	-	50,000 00
Fort at Foster's bank, Florida	-	160,000 00
Incidental expenses attending repairs of fortifications, purchasing of land, &c.	-	97,016 61
Contingencies of fortifications	-	8,598 98
Fort McHenry, Redoubt Wood and Covington battery	-	21,800 00
Repair of Fort Marion and sea-wall at St. Augustine	-	7,711 45
Store-houses, &c. at Newport, Ky.	-	1,500 00
Erecting piazza, &c. barracks at Augusta, Ga.	-	450 00
Constructing a wood-yard and wharf at Fort Monroe, Va.	-	500 00
Constructing a wharf at Fort Severn, Md.	-	1,000 00
Rebuilding and repairing barracks at Fort Brady, Michigan	-	5,000 00
Purchase of land and buildings adjoining Fort Sullivan	-	3,750 00
Hospitals, per act 14th May, 1836,	-	6,300 00
Breakwater on Stanford ledge, Portland harbor	-	10,000 00



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Survey for a breakwater near Owl's-head harbor	--	\$400 00
Examination and survey of passage into Cobscook bay	--	300 00
Deepening the channel of Cochetoc, leading into Dover harbor	--	2,500 00
Continuation of breakwater at Sandy bay,	--	8,700 00
Preserving the point of land to the Fort and light-house, &c. Duxbury, Mass.	--	3,000 00
Preservation of Rainsford island, in harbor of Boston	--	9,410 00
Improving the harbor of Westport	--	1,500 00
Surveying public works at the harbor of Southport	--	1,000 00
Deepening the channel of the river Thames, leading into Norwich harbor	--	9,000 00
Deepening the channel between North and South Hero islands	--	1,500 00
Improving the harbor at the mouth of Salmon river, Lake Ontario	--	2,000 00
Improving the harbor of Portland, on Lake Erie	--	7,218 54
Improving the harbor at the mouth of Oak-orchard creek	--	3,600 00
Improving the harbor at the mouth of Black river, N. Y.	--	500 00
Building a breakwater on pier at the harbor of Plattsburg	--	2,200 00
Improving harbor at the mouth of Cattaraugus creek, Lake Erie	--	8,990 82
Improving the entrance of Whitehall harbor, Lake Champlain	--	3,500 00
Survey of breakwater at Crow shoal, in Delaware bay	--	1,000 00
Repairs at the harbor of Chester, Pa.	--	3,000 00
Removing the bar in the river Delaware, &c. Fort Mifflin	--	13 80
Improving the harbor of Wilmington, Del.	--	8,300 00
Deepening the harbor of Baltimore	--	16,219 00
Survey of the head-waters of the Chesapeake bay	--	500 00
Survey of James river, with a view to the improvement of the harbor of Richmond, Va.	--	500 00
Removing sand shoal in Pamlico river, N. C.	--	4,300 00

Appropriations.	Amount paid on contracts.	Amount of advances made to disbursing officers.
Constructing two piers, &c. mouth of Vermilion river - - - - -	-	\$6,400 00
Construction of harbor of Michigan city - - - - -	-	6,173 50
Survey of St. Francis, Black, and White rivers, Arkansas and Missouri - - - - -	-	1,000 00
Construction of pier, &c. at mouth of river St. Joseph, Michigan - - - - -	-	8,434 50
Survey of the mouth of Milwaukee river, Lake Michigan - - - - -	-	400 00
Purchase of eight acres of land, &c. near barracks of Key West - - - - -	-	6,000 00
Dollars -	51,886 22	8,078,084 50

In making out the above statement it has been assumed that the resolution of the Senate designed also to embrace the moneys advanced to disbursing officers during the present year out of previous permanent appropriations, such as those under the act of the 15th May, 1828, and 7th June, 1832; they have therefore been included.

It is proper also to add, that in arriving at the amount of payments made on contracts, and of advances to disbursing officers, *out of appropriations made at the late session of Congress*, the sums remaining unexpended of former appropriations for the same objects, together with the amounts refunded and credited to said appropriations during the present year, have been first absorbed, and the sums above stated constitute those paid on contracts and advanced to disbursing officers out of the appropriation at the late session of Congress.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,

Third Auditor's office, Dec. 5, 1836.

PETER HAGNER, Auditor.