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REPORT FROM MAJOR GENERAL BLUNT.

LETTER

FROM

THE SECRETARY OF WAR,

IN ANSWER TO

A resolution of the House of 15th December last, in relation to the report of Major General Blunt.

MAY 23, 1864.—Laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

WAR DEPARTMENT,
Washington City, May 20, 1864.

SIR: The resolution of the House of Representatives, dated December 15, 1863, "that the President of the United States be requested to furnish to Congress (if, in his opinion, it is compatible with the public interest) a copy of the report of Major General Blunt (filed by Gilpatrick) on the matter of peculating from the government in subsistence, clothing and transporting the refugee Indians," has been referred by the President of the United States to this department.

A careful search of the records of the several bureaus shows that the report has not been received at either of them; and Major General Blunt, having been called upon for a copy of the report, states that he has no means of furnishing one. It is, therefore, not in the power of this department to comply with the resolution of the House.

I am, sir, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

EDWIN M. STANTON,
Secretary of War.

Hon. SCHUYLER COLFAX,
Speaker House of Representatives.

WAR DEPARTMENT, ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,
Washington, May —, 1864.

SIR: I have the honor to report, that on receipt of the resolution of the House of Representatives, dated December 15, 1863, requesting a copy of the report of Major General Blunt, in relation to speculations in subsisting, clothing and transporting refugee Indians, the proper bureaus of the War Department were called upon for the report. It not having been received at either of these bureaus, Major General Blunt was called upon to furnish a copy, and in reply stated that he had no means of so doing.

I have the honor to be, sir, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

E. D. TOWNSEND,
Assistant Adjutant General.

Hon. EDWIN M. STANTON,
Secretary of War.