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L E T T E R
OF THE
SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR,

TRANSMITTING,

*In obedience to law, an inventory of all the property of the United States
now in his Department.*

DECEMBER 5, 1871.—Ordered to lie on the table and be printed.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
Washington, D. C., December 1, 1871.

SIR: In accordance with the requirements of the act of Congress entitled "An act to provide for inventories and accounts of the property of the United States in the public buildings and grounds belonging to the United States in the District of Columbia," approved July 15, 1870, I have the honor to transmit herewith "a full and complete inventory of all the property belonging to the United States in the buildings, rooms, offices, and grounds" occupied by this Department, and under its charge.

The inventory consists of "A," a table showing the number of the various articles of property in each of the Bureaus of this Department, and the same aggregated; "B," a list of the articles of property purchased for the use of the Department during the year ending the 30th ultimo; and "C," a list of such property as has been sold by the Department during the same period.

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

C. DELANO,
Secretary.

Hon. SCHUYLER COLFAX,
Vice-President of the United States and President of the Senate.

2 INVENTORY OF PROPERTY IN THE INTERIOR DEPARTMENT.

A.

Inventory of property belonging to the United States in the buildings, rooms, offices, and grounds occupied by the Department of the Interior, taken on the 1st day of December, A. D. 1871, in accordance with the act of Congress approved July 15, 1870.

Articles of property.	Offices.							Total.
	Secretary's.	Patent.	Pension.	Land.	Indian.	Census.	Education.	
Desks	28	229	221	140	47	90	10	765
Tables	29	152	127	41	3	167	5	524
Chairs	105	375	399	180	67	405	20	1551
Stools	4	531			3	98	1	637
Cases	14		109	34		7	4	168
Book-cases	12	18	8		6	11		55
Book-racks	9		2	9	5	2		27
Wardrobes	6		1		1	1	1	10
Mirrors	11	53		21	5	10		107
Sofas	7		3	3	2	1	1	17
Lounges				6				6
Benches					2	5		7
Clocks	10		6	3	2	12		33
Chests drawers				1	2	4		7
Book-rests	5		37	2	15	42		101
Paper-racks	7							7
Map-racks	1			1				2
Pigeon-hole sets	6		6	1	34		5	62
Desk-trays	6		6		7			19
Desk-covers	6		6		2			14
Paintings	2		7	2	6			19
Engravings	9			4	3			16
Photographs	11				2			13
Hat-racks	3	17	4	14		100		138
Towel-racks	2	19	4		12	1		38
Umbrella-stands	7	35	4	3	3	2		54
Wash-stands	1	16	7	17		3	1	45
Wash-basins	1	16	12	10		20	1	60
Wash-pitchers	1		12	10			1	24
Soap-dishes	12	41	12	21	9	16	1	112
Tumblers	26	184	10	3	5	24	6	258
Dippers						6		6
Water-coolers	6	50	5	6	2	10	1	80
Cooler-stands		41					1	49
Water-pitchers	8	19	2	2	3	3		37
Water-buckets	2	58	10	18	2	45		135
Carpets	11	56	58	34	11	8	5	183
Oil-cloths	12	50		1		3	1	67
Mats	3	84	13	23	5	8		136
Rugs	3							3
Curtains	5	57	5	18	2	2		89
Shades	16			14		12		42
Awnings	12	78	67	49	9	88		304
Iron safes	3			1	1			5
Letter-presses	3		3	4	1	2	1	14
Sealing-presses	1			2				3
Hand-stamps	2			1	1	4		8
Scales, pairs	1					1		1
Step-ladders	5		7	21	5	7		45
Drop-lights	5	7	4	3	1		1	21
Lamps	1			5				5
Thermometers	7	6		18		8		38
Brushes	12	164	6	9	3	8		202
Spittoons	49	478	197	110	35	143	4	1,016
Brooms	17	85	12	13	6	14		147
Wispis	12							12
Dusters	10							10
Waste-baskets	26	101	149	70	28	61	6	441
Stoves	6		7	1		6		20
Wood-boxes	5			4				9
Coal-hods	12	16	8	15	8	9		67
Shovels and tongs	20	5	1	12		2		40
Fenders	4			24	2	1		31
Fire-screens	5			7		8		15
Foot-stools		15	3					18
Mail-bags		84						84
Dust-pans			1	1	1	2		5
Slop-basins			3					3
Mail-boxes			6				1	7
Refrigerators				1				1
File-cases					7	2		9

B.

List of property purchased for the use of the Department of the Interior during the year ending November 30, 1871.

97 desks.	90 water-buckets.
86 tables.	26 carpets.
255 chairs.	33 oil-cloths.
10 stools.	34 mats.
20 cases.	3 rugs.
4 book-cases.	8 curtains.
2 book-racks.	23 shades.
4 wardrobes.	46 awnings.
28 mirrors.	4 letter-presses.
6 sofas.	5 hand-stamps.
1 lounge.	11 step-ladders.
6 clocks.	1 drop-light.
1 chest-drawers.	26 thermometers.
61 book-rests.	162 brushes.
6 paper-racks.	196 spittoons.
1 map-rack.	108 brooms.
13 pigeon-hole sets.	12 wisps.
6 desk-trays.	8 dusters.
9 desk-covers.	175 waste-baskets.
4 engravings.	3 dust-pans.
52 hat-racks.	12 stoves.
8 towel-racks.	8 wood-boxes.
5 umbrella-stands.	40 coal-hods.
14 wash-stands.	29 shovels and tongs.
11 wash-basins.	26 fenders.
10 wash-pitchers.	11 fire-screens.
34 soap-dishes.	2 mail-bags.
166 tumblers.	1 mail-box.
4 dippers.	6 slop-basins.
38 water-coolers.	2 file-cases.
4 water-pitchers.	4 lamps.

C.

List of property sold by the Department of the Interior during the year ending November 30, 1871.

10 desks.	4 carpets.
4 tables.	10 venetian blinds.
5 chairs.	8½ pounds copper.
6 pigeon-hole sets.	1 lot matting.
2 water-coolers.	1 lot oil-cloth.
1 wash-stand.	10,934 pounds old iron.
6 stoves.	