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LETTER

FROM THE

SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR,

TRANSMITTING,

*In obedience to law, an inventory of property belonging to the United States
in the Department of the Interior:*

JANUARY 17, 1878.—Ordered to lie on the table and be printed.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY,
Washington, D. C., January 12, 1878.

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 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 during the same period.

Very respectfully,

C. SCHURZ,
Secretary.

HON. WILLIAM A. WHEELER,
*Vice President of the United States,
President United States Senate.*

2 INVENTORY OF PROPERTY BELONGING TO THE UNITED

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 — day of December A. D. 1877, in accordance with the act of Congress approved July 15, 1870.

Articles of property.	OFFICES.						Total.
	Secretary's.	Patent.	Pension.	Land.	Indian.	Education.	
Awnings.....	26	79	104	26	10	15	26
Book-cases.....	15	43	12	26	5	3	10
Book-racks.....	15	26	7	15	8	3	7
Book-rests.....	1	38	.....	20	.....	2	12
Carpets.....	18	46	17	40	10	8	12
Carriages.....	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	1
Coal-hods.....	13	14	.....	42	8	4	61
Curtains.....	.....	4	8	2	.....	.....	14
Chairs.....	136	487	385	280	80	55	1,423
Clocks.....	13	54	13	5	3	1	89
Desks.....	50	258	138	240	57	21	764
Desk-covers.....	6	53	.....	22	.....	2	83
Drop-lights.....	3	18	5	7	3	2	38
Engravings.....	2	11	.....	4	3	2	22
File-cases.....	22	112	35	192	15	7	383
Fire-screens.....	7	30	27	32	3	2	101
Foot-rests.....	4	177	.....	90	7	.....	278
Flags, United States.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
Hat-racks.....	1	28	1	.....	.....	4	34
Hose-carriages.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
Hand-stamps.....	7	36	23	14	2	1	83
Horses.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3
Harness, sets.....	3	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	4
Iron safes.....	3	3	1	2	1	.....	10
Letter-presses.....	9	31	5	10	2	2	59
Letter-baskets.....	28	73	214	30	16	2	363
Lamps.....	7	2	.....	2	2	.....	13
Lounges.....	2	3	.....	3	1	1	11
Lawn-mowers.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3
Map-racks.....	2	2	.....	2	2	2	11
Mail-bags.....	3	4	1	2	1	1	12
Mats.....	8	31	.....	.....	.....	4	44
Mattings.....	13	25	3	6	4	4	55
Mirrors.....	16	54	28	35	10	4	147
Paintings.....	2	3	1	8	8	.....	22
Paper-racks.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
Pigeon-hole cases.....	15	189	137	66	11	1	419
Push-carts.....	1	2	1	.....	.....	1	5
Photographs.....	16	16	10	3	3	7	55
Printing-presses.....	.....	2	1	.....	.....	.....	3
Rugs.....	12	20	1	14	1	4	52
Sealing-presses.....	1	1	.....	2	.....	.....	4
Sofas.....	5	1	4	4	1	1	16
Soap-dishes.....	13	38	.....	30	10	7	98
Scales, pairs.....	11	7	4	20	5	1	48
Shades, window.....	25	78	124	60	17	42	346
Shovels and tongs.....	4	21	.....	25	2	5	57
Spittoons.....	35	242	178	160	27	7	649
Step-ladders.....	12	74	11	35	8	1	141
Stoves.....	1	9	.....	2	.....	.....	12
Stools.....	2	311	12	3	3	3	334
Tables.....	33	76	241	45	13	8	416
Towel-racks.....	10	15	4	3	3	9	45
Truck-wagons.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
Tamblers.....	30	250	116	60	8	10	674

A.—Inventory of property belonging to the United States in the buildings, &c.—Continued.

Articles of property.	OFFICES.					Total.	
	Secretary's.	Patent.	Pension.	Land.	Indian.		Education.
Type-printing machine					2		2
Thermometers	6	21	10	7	2	2	48
Umbrella-stands	8	31		16	4	1	60
Ventilators	3	12		2	1		18
Wash-stands		20	9	25		1	55
Wash-basins	1	16	11	25	1	1	55
Wash-pitchers	2	10	11	24	1	1	49
Water-pitchers	12	6	2	4	7	6	37
Water-coolers	4	47	10	11	4	2	78
Water-cooler stands	2	29	7	4	2		44
Water-buckets	48	23	21	32	5	6	135
Wardrobes	8	15	7	4	1	2	37

B.—List of property purchased for the use of the Department of the Interior during the year ending November 30, 1877.

19 awnings.	10 mattings.
19 book-cases.	20 mirrors.
10 book-racks.	4 pigeon-hole cases.
1 buffalo-robe.	10 rugs.
10 carpets.	21 soap-dishes.
1 carriage.	48 spittoons.
6 coal-hods.	9 step-ladders.
93 chairs.	2 stoves.
1 clock.	33 tables.
45 desks.	6 towel-racks.
11 drop-lights.	13 thermometers.
614 file-boxes.	1 truck-wagon.
13 file-cases.	2 truck-wagons, hand.
20 fire-screens.	7 wash-stands.
84 fire-buckets.	7 wash-basins.
2 harness sets.	7 wash-pitchers.
38 hand-stamps.	2 water-pitchers.
2 horses.	71 water-buckets.
4 letter-presses.	5 water-coolers.
5 lamps.	3 water-cooler stands.
4 mail-bags.	150 window-shades.

C.—List of property sold by the Department of the Interior during the year ending November 30, 1877.

6 book-cases.	2 hat-racks.
8 benches.	1 horse.
3 blinds.	95 mattings, pieces.
39 carpets.	27 pigeon-hole cases.
7 coolers.	3 sofas.
1 cooler-stand.	1 screen.
7 curtains.	18 stoves.
9 chairs, lots.	33 tables.
6 desks.	1 lot window-shades.
34 desk-tops.	34 waste-baskets.
2 doors.	4 wash-stands.
24 cases.	1 lot bricks.
1 flag, United States.	1 lot scrap-iron.
60 globes, glass.	42,654 pounds waste paper.