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DOCUMENTS

COMMUNICATED TO CONGRESS BY THE PRESIDENT AT THE OPENING OF THE FIRST SESSION OF THE TWENTY-SECOND CONGRESS,

ACCOMPANYING THE

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR.

REPORT OF THE MAJOR GENERAL FOR 1831.

HEAD QUARTERS OF THE ARMY,

Washington, Nov., 1831.

Sir: I have the honor to lay before you the following statements and returns:

1st. A statement showing the organization of the army, marked A.

2d. A return of the actual state of the army, marked B.

3d. A return, exhibiting the strength of the Eastern Department, designating the posts and garrisons, marked C.

4th. A return, exhibiting the strength of the Western Department, de-

signating the posts and garrisons, marked D.

5th. A general map of reference, exhibiting the relative situations of the military posts occupied by the troops, marked E.

6th. A statement showing the number of recruits enlisted in the army

from the 1st of January to the 30th of September, 1831, marked F.

7th. An estimate of funds required for the recruiting service for the year 1832, marked G.

8th. An estimate of the expenses of the Head Quarters of the army, including those of the office of the Adjutant General, for the year 1832, marked H.

9th. A report on the subject of desertions, marked I.

During the year there have been some alterations made in the position of

the troops, and some movements.

The post of Chicago has been evacuated, and the garrison, consisting of two companies of the 5th regiment of Infantry, removed to fort Howard, Green Bay, relieving the four companies of the same regiment stationed at the latter post. The four companies of the 5th regiment thus relieved, were marched to fort Winnebago, at the portage of the Fox and Ouisconsin rivers, and the garrison of that post ordered to the Head Quarters of the 1st

regiment of Infantry at the Prairie du Chien. This arrangement, while it strengthened the line between Green Bay and the Mississippi, along which the Indians had evinced among themselves a restless and quarrelsome disposition, it was also expected would have the effect of preventing them from proceeding to open hostilities, which were seriously threatened.

Pursuant to instructions from the War Department, the whole of the 7th regiment of Infantry has been concentrated at cantonment Gibson on the Arkansas, and the 3d regiment of Infantry has been ordered to occupy the posts on the Red river. A new post has been established on the latter river, near the mouth of the Kiamichie, and garrisoned by four companies of

the 3d regiment of Infantry,

The positions of the 3d and 7th regiments are favorable to the affording of facilities to the Indians emigrating, under the provisions of the acts of Congress, to the country marked out for them, west of the boundary of the territory of Arkansas, and at the same time to the protection of them in their new abodes from the attacks of unfriendly tribes, and those wild hordes with whom they are, as yet, unacquainted. The troops there stationed will also, by their presence and force, exert a beneficial influence over the conduct of the various tribes, and be instrumental in maintaining harmony and

peace among them.

In the month of June, a communication was received from the command, ing General of the Western Department, dated the 30th of May, stating that the Sac Indians, settled near Rock Island, on the Illinois side of the Mississippi river, who had, for some years past, been extremely restless and insolent, had recently become disorderly, and that he had learned from the Governor of the State of Illinois that they had assumed the attitude of open hostility, and, as the Governor conceived, had actually invaded the State: that the Governor had ordered seven hundred mounted militia to be in readiness to march against those Indians; that a conference was had with the Governor, which resulted in an understanding that the commanding General of the Department should make an effort to repel the supposed invasion, and to remove the offenders to the right bank of the Mississippi, their proper residence; but that, in the mean time, the mounted men were not to be called out, unless the General should find that the hostile band, sustained by any considerable number of the neighboring Indians, might render it necessary for him to avail himself of the assistance and co-operation offered by the Governor of Illinois.

The General, immediately after, as appears by subsequent reports, ordered six companies of Infantry from Jefferson barracks, with two six-pounders, with a supply of muskets and rifles, and a suitable portion of ammunition, to embark on board a steam-boat, and proceeded with them to Rock Island, at which place they arrived early in June; and, on the 4th of that month, he held a conference with the chiefs and warriors of the Sacs, who disavowed any intention of hostility, but expressed a determination to remain on the Rockriver lands. The General notified them that he would not permit them so to remain, and that they must move off as soon as practicable, as they held no right to the lands in question, having sold them to the United States.—The General states that he was informed that the Sacs had invited their friends, the Prophet's band of Winnebagoes, with some Pattawatamies and Kickapoos, to join them, but that they were not so disposed: notwithstanding, conceiving it to be the safest course to be prepared against any emer-

gency, he thought it most prudent to call for additional troops from Prairie du Chien, and for the Illinois mounted men. The Sacs having failed to obtain the assistance of the Winnebagoes and Pattawatamies, and having been abandoned by many of the friends of one of their principal chiefs, determined to listen to the advice of the commanding General, and entered into an agreement with him to abandon their position in Illinois, and to re-cross the Mississippi, after which the General discharged the volunteers of Illinois,

and ordered the regular troops to their respective stations.

Representations were made to the Department of War, by the authorities of Louisiana, that a disposition was manifested by the people of color in that State to revolt, and that the presence of a military force in New Orleans was, in their opinion, necessary to insure order and to allay the apprehensions of the inhabitants. The commanding officer of the troops at Baton Rouge was instructed to proceed to the city of New Orleans and confer with the Governor of the State, and the authorities of the city, in reference to the subject, and to adopt such measures as would be proper and satisfactory. Orders were given to the troops at the contiguous posts to be held in readiness in case of necessity, and two companies of Infantry were stationed in the city with an extra quantity of arms.

In the month of August, a partial but sudden insurrection of the negroes in the county of South Hampton, Va., took place, the intelligence of which being communicated by the mayor of Norfolk to the commandant of fortress Monroe, a detachment of that garrison, consisting of three companies of artillery, under a field officer, was forthwith ordered to the seat of the disturbances, where they arrived in the course of twenty-four hours, a distance of sixty miles. The insurrection having been quelled, the detachment re-

turned to its quarters at fortress Monroe.

On the application of the authorities of Newbern, in North Carolina, under the excitement which prevailed after the late disturbances in South-Hampton, a company was detailed from fortress Monroe to guard that city and its vicinity, and to quiet the apprehensions of the citizens of that quarter generally. The necessity of their remaining any longer at that position having ceased, the company was ordered to Bellona arsenal where it relieved the company of the 1st regiment of artillery, which had been long stationed there. The relieved company was ordered to fortress Monroe.

During the excitement which prevailed, in consequence of the disorderly conduct evinced by the colored population in the States of Delaware, Maryland, Virginia and North Carolina, the garrison of fortress Monroe was augmented by five companies, drawn from the northern posts on the scaboard, with a view of having at hand a disposable force, to afford protection to such parts of the country as might require it—that fortress being so situated as to possess all the requisite facilities for promptly entering into any part of the country, where there was any probability that the presence of a military force might be necessary. The concentration of so large a portion of the artillery at fortress Monroe afforded, at the same time, the advantage of practising their appropriate duties on an enlarged scale, that post being the established school of artillery.

During the year, the troops have been inspected by the Inspectors General.

The reports, as far as they have been received, represent the troops in an improving condition. It could not be expected that they could arrive at any great proficiency in general tactics in their present dispersed states as

scarcely a complete regiment has been together during the year; still the elements of instruction are not neglected, and a concentration of any consider erable portion of the army would readily bring into practice an harmonious combination of movements, according to the established system of tactics.-The appearance of the troops under arms is creditable; they are well dressed, armed and accoutred; neat in their persons, clean and comfortable in their quarters, and well supplied with every thing allowed them by the Govern-Notwithstanding these favorable appearances, it is with regret that I have to report the continuance of desertion from the rank and file to an unusual extent. This evil can only be attributed to the great prosperity which pervades every class of our citizens. Although the soldier is well paid, fed, clothed, quartered, and treated with kindness by his officers, yet the appare rent small amount paid to him in money, as allowed by law, does not offer sufficient inducement to the steady and active citizen to engage in the public service in time of peace; but the unsteady and idle, and frequently the profigate, are willing, for the sake of the bounty in hand, to enlist with a view of remaining until the first payment, and then desert, perhaps to practice again the same fraud on the Government; and this they are induced to do, from their knowledge of the fact, that no adequate punishment awaits the crime

of desertion in time of peace.

The only preventive to desertion that strikes me at this time, is to offer apparently, a larger sum a month for the service of a soldier; that is, instead of five dollars in money, and the clothing, rations, and other allowances which are made in hand, and which amount in all to about fifteen dollars a month, it would be better to make the pay of the soldier fifteen dollars in money a month, and supply him at the contract prices with clothing, rations &c., and to deduct the cost of the articles so supplied out of the fifteen dollars; besides to retain in hand a certain portion of his pay, say one half, until the termination of his enlistment, when his accounts should be finally closed. and the difference paid him. By this arrangement, it is to be expected that none but good and faithful men will enter the service, such as may intend to fulfil their engagements. The money in hand will be a guarantee to that effect, and will secure the Government against loss, in case of destruction of arms or other property entrusted to the soldier; and, moreover, the fines which may be imposed by the sentences of courts martial for derelictions of duty will, according to our mild system of discipline, be probably the best mode of inflicting punishment. Independently of these advantages, by interesting the soldier in the careful use and proper application of the articles supplied him by the Government, for which he knows he is to pay in cash, or otherwise to suffer a deduction from his pay to the amount of their value, it will induce to economy on his part, and, at the same time, interest him in the service; for a soldier cannot be expected, under the present system, where he is supplied by the Government with a regulated allowance, whether he require it or not, to possess the same inducements to economise. The bounty which is now offered to a recruit on his enlistment, and which probably has been the sole object of the worthless to grasp, might, with advantage, be deferred until the close of the period of his enlistment, when its payment will operate as a reward for faithful services.

In connection with this subject, and with a view to the improvement of the condition of the non-commissioned officers, on whose exertions the discipline and well-being of the rank and file in a great measure depend, I would urge, as a matter of great importance, an augmentation of the pay of the sergeants and corporals, and a distinction, as regards pay, in favor of the first sergeants of companies, on whom the details of duty devolve, and whose responsibility is greater than that of the other non-commissioned officers.

The order abolishing the whiskey ration has been in operation since December last, and has, in a degree, fulfilled the favorable anticipations which were indulged in relation to its results. It now only remains, in order to accomplish what has been so much desired in reference to the health and moral condition of the army, to prohibit entirely the sale of ardent spirits

to the troops.

The various movements made by the troops during the present year have tested, to a certain extent, the state of their discipline as well as their capacity for active service, and at the same time have afforded to the several staff departments a practical application of their respective functions. The promptitude and regularity observed in the execution of their instructions have furnished, both on the part of the line and the staff, satisfactory evidences of their efficiency.

I have the honor to be,
Very respectfully, sir,
Your most ob't servant,
ALEX. MACOMB,
Major General Commanding the Army.

The Hon. the SECRETARY OF WAR.

ORGANIZATION of the Army

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Note. — The law authorizes the appointment of fifty assistant commissaries of subsistence, confined to the rank of lieutenants.

Adjutant General's Office,

Washington, November, 1831.

R. JONES, Adjutant General.

of the United States, November, 1831.

Second Lieutenants.	Sergeant Majors.	Quartermaster Sergeants.	Sergeants.	Corporals.	Principal Musicians,	Musicians,	Artificers.	Enlistment of men for ord-	Privates.	Total commissioned.	Total non-commis'd offi- cers, musicians, artifi- cers, and privates.	Aggregate.
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HEAD QUARTERS,

Washington, November 30, 1831.

ALEX'R MACOMB,
Major General Commanding the Army.

B.

GENERAL RETURN of the

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Army of the United States, 1831.

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Note. The Major and one Captain of the 2d Regiment of Artillery; the Major of the are omitted in the "aggregate" of their respective Regiments, because they are reported

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE, Washington, December 3, 1831.

> R. JONES, Adjutant General.

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5th, one Captain of the 4th, and one of the 7th Regiments of Infantry, (being staff officers,) and included in the "aggregate" of the general staff.

HEAD QUARTERS OF THE ARMY,
Washington, December 3, 1831.

ALEX'R MACOMB, Major General Commanding the Army.

POSITION and Distribution of the Troops of the Eastern Depart-

Post.	SITUATION.	Names of perma- nent Commanders of Posts.	Regiment.	Number of companies.
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^{*} This garrison has recently been reduced to one company, the other having been or-

ment, under the command of Brevet Major General Winfield Scott.

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	Fort Brady -	Sault St. Marie, M. T.	-	Capt. Wilcox	5th Inf.	2
	Fort Mackinac -	Michilimackinac, M. T.	7	Bt. brig. gen. Brooke	5th Iuf.	2
-	Fort Howard -	Green Bay, M. T.	-	Bt. maj. Fowle -	5th Inf.	2
	Fort Gratiot -	Outlet of Lake Huron, M.	- 1	Bt. maj. Thompson	2d Inf.	2
	Fort Niagara	New York	-	Maj. Whistler	2d Inf.	2
	Madison Barracks	Sackett's Harbor, N. Y.		Lt. col. Cummings	2d Inf.	4
_	Fort Sullivan	Holton Plantation, Me.	-	Bt. maj. Clarke	2d Inf.	1
	Fort Preble	Eastport, Me	-	Capt. Childs -	3d Art.	1
	Fort Constitution -	Portland, Me	-	Capt. McClintock -	3d Att.	i
	Fort Independence -	Portsmouth, N. H Boston, Mass	-	Capt. Ansart - Bt. col. Lindsay -	3d Art.	1
	Fort Wolcott -	Newport, R I.		Bt. maj. Lomax	3d Art.	î
	Fort Trumbull -	New London, Ct.	_	Capt. Thruston	3d Art.	1
	Military Academy -	West Point, N. Y.		Bt. lt. col. Thayer -	Detach't	
	Fort Columbus	New York, N. Y.		Bt. lt. col. Crane	4th Art.	2
-	Fort Delaware -	Near Newcastle, Del.		Bt. maj. Pierce	4th Art.	2
8	Fort McHenry -	Baltimore, Md.	-	Bt. maj. Payne	4th Art.	2
	Fort Severn -	Annapolis, Md.	-	Bt. maj. Erving	4th Art.	ĩ
0	Fort Washington -	On the Potomac, Md.		Bt. maj. Mason	1st Art.	1
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2	Bellona Arsenal -	Near Richmond, Va.	-	Capt. F. Whiting	1st Art.	ĩ
3	Fort Johnston -	Near Smithville, N. C.	_	Bt. maj. Churchill	1st Art.	1
	Charleston Harbor -	Charleston, S. C.	-	Bt. maj. Heileman -	2d Art.	3
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17	Fort Marion _	St. Augustine, Fl	-	Bt. maj. Gates	2d Art.	1

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R. JONES,
Adjutant Gen.

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HEAD QUARTERS OF THE ARMY,

Washington, December 3d, 1831.

ALEX'R MACOMB, Maj. Gen. Commanding the Army

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1 Fort Snelling - 2 Fort Crawford - 3 Fort Armstrong - 4 Cant. Leavenworth 5 Jefferson Barracks- 6 Cant. Gibson - 7 Cant. Jesup - 8 Cant. Towson - 9 Baton Rouge - 10 New Orleans - 11 Fort Wood - 12 Fort Pike - 13 Fort Jackson - 14 Fort Mitchell - 15 Cant. Brooke - 16 Key West -	Upper Mississippi Praire du Chien, M. T Rock Island, Illi. Right Bank Missouri, near the Little Platte Near St. Louis, Mo. Arkansas Territory Near Natchitoches, La. On the Kiamichi, A. T Baton Rouge, La. New Orleans, La. Chef Monteur, La. Petite Coquille, La. Near New Orleans, La. Near Creek Agency, Ala. Tampa Bay, Fl. Key West, Fl.	Lieut. Col. Taylor Colonel Morgan Major Bliss Major Davenport Bt. Br. Gen. Atkinson - Colonel Arbuckle Bt. Br. Gn. Leavenworth Lieut. Col. Vose Colonel Clinch Bt. Lieut. Col. Foster Bt. Major Zantzinger Bt. Major Mountfort Captain Baden Bt. Major Wager Bt. Major McIntosh Bt. Major Glassell	1st inf. 1st inf. 1st inf. 6th inf. 6th inf. 3d inf. 4th inf. 2d art. 2d art. 2d art. 4th inf. 4th inf. 4th inf.	3 5 2 4 6 10 6 4 3 2 1 1 1 2 2 1 1

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Cant. Jesup	Near Natchitoches, La.	Bt.Br. Gn. Leavenworth	3d inf.	- 6
Cant. Towson -	On the Kiamichi, A. T.	Lieut. Col. Vose	3d inf	4
New Orleans	Baton Rouge, La New Orleans, La	Bt. Lieut.Col. Foster	4th inf.	63 64
Fort Wood	Chef Monteur, La.	Bt. Major Zantzinger -	2d art.	1
Fort Pike	Petite Coquille, La.	Bt. Major Mountfort -	2d art.	1
Fort Jackson -	Near New Orleans, La Near Creek Agency, Al	Captain Baden Bt. Major Wager	2d art.	1 2
Cant. Brooke -	Tampa Bay, Fl.	Bt. Major Mcli tosh	4th inf.	2
Key West -	Key West, Fl.	Bt. Major Glassell	4th inf.	1

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R. JONES,
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HEAD QUARTERS OF THE ARMY,
WASHINGTON, Dec. 3, 1831.

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ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

Washington, November 20th, 1931.

STATEMENT showing the whole number of recruits enlisted in the army, from the 1st of January to the 30th of September, 1831, according to the latest returns.

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Respectfully submitted.

R. JONES, Adj. Gen.

To Major General MACOMB, Com. in Chief U. S. Army.

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Adjutant General's Office, Washington, November 30, 1831.

Sir: The information you have requested me to furnish on the subject of desertions, is herewith respectfully submitted in the tables hereunto annexed:

TABLE No. 1.

STATEMENT of the annual number of desertions from the Army since the year 1823, specifying the number of soldiers who have deserted after joining companies, and the year of enlistment in which the desertion may have occurred; the number of recruits who have deserted from the rendezvous, or on their march to join their regiments; and also the probable amount of the annual loss in money in consequence of the crime of desertion.

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A. D.	No. of Recruits who deserted from the Rendezvous, or be- fore joining companies.	First year of enlistment.	Second year of enlistm't.	Third year of enlistm't.	Fourth year of enlist-	Fifth year of enlistm't.	Total from Companies.	Aggregate number of desertions, exclusive of convicts.	Total number of enlistments.	By Recruits from Rendezvous.	By Soldiers from Com-	Total loss in money.
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The foregoing analysis contains all the information called for on this important subject, except so much as is embraced in the tourth interrogatory, to wit: "If the sum lost by desertion were divided among the soldiers, what would it give to each?"

To exhibit this result analytically, and in the most perspiouous manner, I

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submit two other tables.

TABLE No. 2.

Monthly and annual allowance of pay to non-commissioned officers and privates, under existing laws.

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11 Sergeant Majors, -			9	99	1,188
11 Quartermaster Sergeants,	. N.M.		9	99	1,188
354 Sergeants, -			8 .	2,832	33,984
424 Corporals,	in the world		7	2,968	35,616
14 Principal Musicians, -			8	112	1,344
212 Musicians,			6	1,272	15,264
108 Artificers,	A THE A DAY		10	1,080	12,960
4,452 Privates,	THE STREET		5	22,260	267,120
	Dollars,		62	30,722	368,664

TABLE No. 3.

Supposed application of the sum annually lost by desertion to the monthly and annual increase of pay of the rank and file of the army.

		Rate of monthly pay of each class	Aggregate monthly pay of each class.	Annual amount of pay of each class.
11 Sergeant Majors, 11 Quartermaster Sergeants,	wei.	18	198 198	2,376 2,376
106 First Sergeants, -		15 12	1,590 2,976	19,080 35,712
424 Corporals, - 14 Principal Musicians, -	: :	8 18	3,392	40,704
212 Musicians,		7	1,484	17,808 12,960
4,452 Privates,		6	1,080 26,712	320,544
Total amount of proposed pay,		112	97 000	124 204
Total amount of pay under existing	laws, -	62	37 882 30,722	454,584 368,664
Difference,		\$50	7,160	85,920

REMARKS.

On referring to table No. 1, it will be seen that the aggregate amount lost by desertion for the eight years, inclusive of December 31st, 1830, amounts to the sum of \$575,866; that the loss in 1829 is \$98,345, and, in 1830;

\$102,087. It may be also seen that the average loss by desertion for the last two years is rather upwards of \$100,000; the loss during the present

year, (1831) will considerably exceed any previous year.

If \$85,920 of the average annual amount, lost by desertion, were distributed to the enlisted men of the army, by way of additional pay, (see table No. 3,) it would be an annual expenditure less, by \$15,000, than the sum now annually lost to the Government by desertion. I respectfully rerefer you to my report on this subject of January 25, 1830, Doc. No. 62, H. of R., page 9; and also to another report from this office, addressed to you, of January 25, 1831.

If the sum lost by desertion in 1830, (\$102,087) be divided among the non-commissioned officers and privates of the army, (5,642) it will give to

each \$1 50 per month; or, \$18 per annum.

The average loss by each desertion for the year 1830, is estimated to be \$81 60.

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I am, sir, very respectfully, Your obedient servant, R. JONES, Adj. Gen.

To Maj. Gen. Alexander Macomb,

Commanding U. S. Army.

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REPORT OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER.

Engineer Department,

Washington, Nov. 4, 1831.

To the Hon. Lewis Cass, Secretary of War.

Sin: Agreeably to your instructions, I have the honor to submit a report of the operations of this Department during the year, ending on the 30th ultimo, accompanied by the fiscal statements required by your letter of the 20th of August last.

1. FORTIFICATIONS.

The construction of the following works has been continued during the

past year:

1. Fort Adams, Newport, R. I.—The operations on this fort have been continued in the active and efficient manner, which has heretofore reflected so much credit on the officer charged with the superintendence of them; and as great an advance has been made towards their completion, as the means afforded would admit of. The supplies of materials have been abundant, and the contractors have (with a single exception, from which no injury has resulted) complied with their engagements.

2. Fort Hamilton, Narrows, N. Y.—As anticipated in my last report, this fort has been completed. An inspection of it was made, as required by the regulations, by officers of the corps of engineers, whose report bestows unqualified praise on the manner in which the work has been executed. They recommend some additional work, principally with a view of preparing it immediately to receive its armament; for which purpose a pro-

vision is proposed in the estimate for next year.

3. Fort Lafayette, Narrows, N. Y. has been thoroughly repaired, and the report of the officers who inspected this work, as well as the preceding states, that "the repairs have been applied with judgment, skill, and effect, the materials and the style of execution indicating the same careful supervision which has produced so fine a result at fort Hamilton."

4. Governor's Island, N. Y.—An appropriation was made this year for repairing the fortifications on this island, but in consequence of the arrangements necessary for removing the garrison, nothing has been done except

to obtain some materials and machinery.

5. Fort Monroe, Hampton Roads, Va.—The operations on this work during the past year have been directed to the formation of the ramparts, the excavation of the ditch and embankment, of the glacis; the construction of a counterscarp wall, requisite for the protection of a part of the ditch which is liable to be filled by the encroachment of the tides in Mill creek, the pointing of the masonry, and fitting up of the casemates of the fort for occupancy. Materials have also been purchased for completing the ad vanced water battery on the eastern side of the fort.

6. Fort Calhoun, Hampton Roads, Va.—When the walls and piers of this fort had been carried up to the level of the second battery, it was found that the additional weight caused a subsidence of the foundations, which made it prudent to suspend the construction of the masonry, and confine the operations of the past year to the reception of materials, which have been so distributed as to equalize the pressure on the bottom as much as possible, and produce a uniform settling; as this still continues, it is judged best to pursue the same course next year, and to continue it until a weight of materials equal to that which the foundations must finally bear, shall have been accumulated on them, after which the construction may with safety be completed.

7. Fort Macon, Beauford, N. C.—The operations on this work have been satisfactorily continued during the past year, and there is every reason to expect that they will be completed in 1832. It is found that the encroachments of the sea threaten the safety of the fort, and require the immediate adoption of measures to arrest their further progress; this is the principal object to which the funds applied for in my estimate are to be de-

voted.

8. Fort at Oak Island, Cape Fear river, N. C.—This fort will also be completed next year, the unfinished work being chiefly a portion of the exterior embankment, the construction of traverses for the guns, of furnaces for heating shot, of a lock to command the water in the ditch, and of draw-

bridges, doors, and gates.

9. Fortifications at Charleston, S. C.—The vicinity of Charleston affording no supplies of stone, the material used in forming the foundations of the fort projected to occupy a shoal opposite to fort Moultrie, it has been necessary to procure that material from a distance, and a contract was made for the delivery of 30,000 tons of stone. The contractor has, however, failed to comply with his engagements, and the active and more profitable employment of coasting vessels in other trade, has prevented the superintending eagineer from effecting satisfactory arrangements to obtain stone from other quarters, without too great an advance of price. In consequence of these circumstances, only 7,000 tons of stone have been added to the pile during the past year. It is therefore recommended, that the privilege granted to the contractor of continuing the deliveries under his contract, be rescinded, and the superintending engineer left untrammeled in adopting the necessary measures for obtaining adequate supplies. The pile, so far as formed, appears to have the requisite stability.

Castle Pinckney, near the city of Charleston, has been thoroughly repaired, and is ready to receive a garrison. Measures are also in progress to check the encroachments of the sea on the site of fort Moultrie, an im-

portant position in the defence of this harbor.

10. Fortifications al Savannah, Georgia.—But little progress has been made, since my last report, in the construction of the fort on Cockspur Island, the operations having been as yet confined to making the preliminary arrangements, and excavating for the foundations. In the course of these excavations, it became evident that the plan first projected, was not adapted to the nature of the site, and it was therefore necessary to suspend the work until a new project could be prepared, which has been done, and the work will be immediately resumed.

11. Fortifications at Pensacola, Florida.—The judicious arrangements for supplies and for workmanship, made by the superintending engineer at

Pensacola harbor, combined with the advantages of a mild climate and healthful position, have effected so great a progress in the construction of the fort on Santa Rosa Island, that it might be completed during the next year. The local engineer's estimate of \$150,500 for the prosecution of the work, is accordingly based on its completion, as the funds may be much more economically and advantageously applied in one season, than by being divided be-

tween two several appropriations.

With the same view of consulting, economy and securing, on the best terms, the services of the manufacturers of bricks, and of other persons who have been induced to establish themselves in the vicinity of the works, and whose establishments will probably be broken up, and their force dispersed on the suspension of the operations, it is proposed to make arrangements for procuring materials to commence the other fortifications requisite for the defence of Pensacola harbor, and an estimate for the necessary funds will be submitted in time, to be laid before Congress, if it should be thought proper, at the next session.

12. Fort at Mobile Point, Alabama.—Satisfactory progress has been made towards the completion of this fort, which will likewise be accomplished next year, should the means be afforded, agreeably to the estimate of the local engineer, which has been submitted, amounting to \$128,000. The difficulty and cost of making the embankments of the rampart, are very much enhanced by the sandy nature of the site, which causes the necessity of covering the embankments with clay, in order to secure them from the

action of the winds.

13. Fort Jackson, Plaquemine Bend, La.,—has been completed, and is occupied by a garrison. Some slight injuries have been caused by recent

floods, orders for the repairs of which, have been given.

The repairs of fort Wood and of the battery at Bayou Bienvenue, Louisiana, for which small appropriations were made at the last session of Congress, will be attended to during the ensuing winter; at which time will also be constructed a battery in advance of the tower at Bayou Dupré, that will aid in securing the tower against inundations, by which it has already received some injury.

The wall and embankment designed to preserve the Peapatch Island (the site of fort Delaware,) have been completed. Their cost has exceeded the amount of the appropriation by the sum of about \$2,000, included in my

estimate for next year.

The appropriation of this year for a breakwater to preserve George's Island, in Boston harbor (the site of a projected fort of the first importance,) being found insufficient to complete the object, an additional sum is required also for this purpose, as shown by the general estimate.

The condition of fort Independence, in Boston harbor, and of the island on which it is situated, is such, as to require repair, for which purpose an

estimate is therefore presented.

The funds drawn from the appropriation for contingencies of fortifications, have been applied chiefly to repairs at fort Delaware, fort McHenry, fort Washington, fort Moultrie, fort Wood, and to the construction of cisterns, and of a road at fort Monroe, necessary to keep up the communication with the main land.

Since the date of my last annual report, the wood work about fort Delaware has been consumed by fire, and very extensive injury thereby caused to the other parts of the work. An inspection has been made by a board of

officers of the corps of engineers, whose report, hereto annexed, recommends rebuilding the whole work: concurring in this recommendation, I shall have the honor to submit an estimate for that purpose. Should an appropriation be made, it is thought that such modifications of the plan may be effected, without impairing the efficiency of the work, as to reduce the cost of its reconstruction below that of rebuilding it on the present plan.

The approaching completion of several of the fortifications above mentioned, renders it expedient to provide for the continuing the system of defence by commencing new works; and, with that view, it is suggested that appropriations be recommended for commencing the forts projected for Throg's Point, New York; Soller's Point Flats, Maryland; Bald Head, North Carolina; and Grand Terre, Louisiana, in addition to the new work in Pensacola harbor above alluded to Estimates of the sums that will be

required, for each of these objects, shall be duly submitted.

I cannot conclude this part of my report without representing to you the expediency of suggesting the benefits which would result from the appropriations for fortifications, being made at an early period of the session of Congress. If even partial appropriations could be obtained at the commencement of the year, much time, and consequently expense, would be saved to the United States. In northern latitudes, where the severity of the winters shortens the period for active operations, the Engineer should know what means are to be placed at his disposal, in order that, during the unavoidable suspension of work, he may be able to make all his arrangements for its prosecution as soon as the season opens. And, in the south, funds cannot, under present circumstances, be obtained during the best season for work, but must be applied chiefly in the summer, when even in healthful situations the same degree of activity is seldom attainable.

2. INTERNAL IMPROVEMENTS.

Under this head I have to report the progress of operations at the follow-

ing places, viz:

1. La Plaisance bay, Michigan.—The piers for protecting this bay were completed in 1829, but those built by contract in 1828, and not faithfully executed, have been so much injured by a storm about the 4th of October, as to require repairs, for which an estimate has accordingly been presented.

2. Huron river, Ohio.—The extension of the eastern pier for which an appropriation was made this year, has been effected, and a sufficient depth of water thereby ensured. The estimate for next year is intended to be applied to the repair of a part of this pier, which was built before the work was taken in charge by the United States.

3. Black river, Ohio.—The construction of 100 yards of pier work will complete the proposed plan for improving the channel of entrance into this

river, which has already a depth of 8 feet.

4. Cleaveland harbor, Ohio.—The effect of the works for improving the entrance of Cuyahoga river, has been in the highest degree satisfactory, the channel having a depth of not less than 10 feet. Its great importance and usefulness fully justify the expenditure already made, as well as that proposed for completing the work by strengthening the dam across the former outlet of the river, and removing a small spit of sand which projects into it at its junction with the artificial channel. At the request of the Secretary of the

Treasury, a beacon has been constructed on the east pier, under the direction

of this Department.

5. Grand river, Ohio.—All that remains to be done at the piers at the mouth of this river, is to raise a part of one of them which has settled, and to complete the beacon commenced at the request of the Treasury Department.

6. Cunningham creek, Ohio.—Nothing has been done to the pier at this point, during the past year, in consequence of the failure to obtain an appropriation for constructing a pier head, the estimate for which is now repeated.

7. Ashtabula creek, Ohio.—The piers at this place have been completed, and further operations will be confined to dredging the channel, a work now

in progress.

8. Conneaut creek, Ohio.—The depth of water at the mouth of this creek, has continued to increase with the extension of the piers, and is now

8 feet.

9. Presqu' Isle, Pa.—The funds appropriated at the last session of Congress have been well applied to the repairs of the piers at the entrance of this harbor, but a further sum is required for that object, as stated in my estimate. The appropriation for constructing a beacon on one of the piers has also been applied, under the direction of this Department, and the object accomplished at a cost however a little exceeding the sum appropriated.

10. Dunkirk harbor, N. Y.—Under the appropriation made at the last session of Congress, a new pier for the protection of this harbor was commenced, and extended 280 yards. An estimate for its completion has been

presented.

11. Buffalo, N. Y.—The funds available for the works at this harbor during the present year, have been applied to the extension and security of the southern pier, and to the construction of a foundation for a light-house at its extremity. The raising of the tower has been deferred to give time for the foundation to settle.

12. Black rock, N. Y.—No appropriation having been made for continuing the works in this harbor, nothing has been done to them this year, and the protection afforded by them in the state in which they were left, being imperfect, a part of the mole on Bird island, at the head of the harbor, has been overthrown. An estimate for its repair and completion is presented.

With regard to the above mentioned works which are all on lake Erie, I have to remark that the estimates which have been submitted to you, are intended to cover the expense of completing all that is now proposed to be done at the several harbors, and that I do not anticipate the necessity of asking for any further appropriations for those objects. It is confidently believed that the benefits conferred by these artificial harbors, on the navigating interests of the lake, have been far more than commensurate with the expense of their construction.

13. Gennessee river, N. Y.—Very satisfactory progress has been made, during the past year, in the execution of the plan adopted for improving the entrance into this river. About 150 yards have been added to the piers, which now extend to the distance of 403 yards from the shore, being about three-fifths of the proposed extent. Measures have also been taken to secure them against the effects of storms and ice, which they have heretofore withstood in eafety. The artificial channel continues to deepen.

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15. Oswego, N. Y.—The piers for protecting this harbor have been built by contract, which was completed this year. A pierhead, and mole of stone for their security, have also been constructed. It is thought that the safety of the navigation requires that the piers should be raised somewhat higher, and believing that the great importance of the barbor to the navigation of lake Ontario, and to the interior commerce of New York, justifies the additional expenditure proposed, I have submitted an estimate accordingly.

16. Kennebec river, at Lovejoy's Narrows, Me.—A very considerable rise of water in this river has prevented the contractor from fulfilling his engagement to remove the obstructions to its navigation during the season which has just past; and the time for accomplishing the work has therefore being extended, from which it is believed no other injury than the unavoidable delay, will result. The unexpended balance of appropriation for this object would be sufficient to complete it, but a portion of the fonds, having been appropriated more than two years, has been passed to the surplus fund, and a re-appropriation of the amount stated in my estimate is therefore required.

17. Piers at the mouth of Kennebunk river, Me.—The new piers at this place have had the desired effect of protecting the channel of entrance into the river. Some additional work is required for the greater security and permanency of this object, by repairing a pier built by the United

States many years ago.

18. Beriotek branch of Piscultague river, Me.—The death of the agent who has heretofore so well directed the swork for deepening the channel of this river at the Quamplegan rapids, caused a temporary suspension of the operations, and the approach of cold weather impeding the work in the water, makes it necessary to defer, until the next year, the little which re-

mains to be done for completing the work.

Merrimack river, Mass.—The pier which had been constructed for the purpose of deepening the channel at the mouth of this river by directing a greater body of water into it, and which was undermined in the first instance, has been repaired and strengthened; and it is confidently expected that the desired effect will be produced by the contemplated works when completed. Before extending the work any further, time will be allowed to test the strength of the part already executed in resisting the storms to which is liable.

20. Deer island, Boston harber, Mass.—Owing to the very exposed situation of this island, which forms the outer barrier to the harber of Boston, great difficulty has been experienced in constructing a wall sufficiently strong to protect it from the effect of storms; and the operations of the past year have been chiefly confined to the repair of injuries sustained last writer, and much remains yet to be done to secure the proposed object.

21. Plymouth beach, Mass.—The fascine work, and the planting of grass for the preservation of this beach, have been in constant progress, as dictated by the circumstances of the case. The beneficial effects of what has been done can be fully shown and secured only by the lapse of time, and by com-

stant attention to the repairs of the work, which now affords a perfect shelter to the harbor

22. Provincetown harbor, Mass.—The agents to whom the operations for preserving this harbor were confided, have continued to give great satisfection by their activity and attention. Colonel Totten, the inspecting engineer, stated in May last, that the complete success of what had been done satisfied him of the expediency of pursuing the operation until the naked rands above high water shall be covered with grass. "A pressing necessity," he adds, "is found in the otherwise certain ruin of a most valuable harbor." An estimate is therefore presented for the further prosecution of the work.

23. Hyannis harbor, Mass.—During the year ending the 30th September, there have been added to the breakwater designed to protect this harbor about 9,000 tons of stone; and the length of the mole is now 552 feet. A further extension of both its length and breadth is yet requisite, and is considered to be justified by the benefit derived from the part already considered to

structed.

24. Nantucket harbor, Mass.—A full report of the condition, on the 30th September last, of the work for deepening the channel into this harbor, has not yet been received. With such interruptions as are unavoidable for repairing machinery, and on account of the weather, the dredging machine has been kept in operation during the season, and the prospect of a permanent improvement continues to be flattering.

25. Stonington harbor, Conn.—The work on the breakwater for the protection of this harbor, has been judiciously and successfully continued, and will probably be completed this month, there being sufficient funds on

hand for that purpose.

26. Mill river, Conn. - As anticipated in my last report, the work for

improving this harbor has been completed.

27. Harbors of Newcastle, Marcus Hook, Chester, and port Penn, Delaware river.—The operations for improving these harbors have been confined, during the past year, to working a dredging machine for deepening them, as contemplated in my report of last year. For want of a report from the local engineer, I am unable to state the exact condition of these

harbors on the 30th September.

28. Ocracock inlet, N. C.—The dredging machinery designed to improve the channel of this inlet, has been applied to that object, on the part called the Flounderslue, during all the favorable weather since the beginning of August 1830, and about 10,600 cubic yards have been excavated. The engineer reports that, so far as a conclusion may be drawn from observation during so short a period, it is in favor of the final success of the experiment. It is found that, in consequence of the exposed situation of the place of operations, not more than about 150 working days in a year can be counted on; and, at the present rate, ten years would be required to complete the proposed excavation. In order to afford, in this case, an opportunity of making as fair an experiment as practicable, it is intended to apply another dredging machine of greater power in aid of the one now employed, and its construction is in a state of forwardness; an appropriation for the purpose having been made at the last session of Congress.

29. Cape Feur river, N. C.—The operations for improving the navigation of this river, below the town of Wilmington, have been confined, during the past year, to the repair of injuries sustained by the jettees, from he effects of a gale last August; and to the working of a dredging machine,

which has been employed with success in deepening the chantel on the Bulk head shoal.

30. St. Mark's river and harbor, Florida.—The removal of logs and trees from the channel and shores of this river, has been continued this year, though at some disadvantage, from the prevalence of sickness among the laborers. The operations for deepening Pass au Heron, in Alabama, having been suspended in consequence of the balance of appropriation passing to the surplus fund, the dredging machine employed there has been transferred to the harbor of St. Marks, but was not received in time to be put in operation before the 30th of September last.

31. Apalachicola river, Florida.—An experiment was made this year to improve the navigation of this river, by cutting off the points forming some of the most difficult bends, with the expectation that the water would thus find a new and more direct channel; but the experiment was not successful and further operations will be confined to the removal of obstructions, formed by trees and drift wood, from the present bed of the river.

Harbor of Mobile, Alabama.—The engagements of the contractor, for deeponing the channel through Choctaw pass, in this harbor, have not been complied with; and although considerable excavations have been made, yet is the depth does not correspond with that required by the contract, no payments have become due. An entire suspension of the work was caused by the sinking of the dredging boat, in a gale, last August. It is proposed to annul the present contract, and to adopt measures for carrying on the work more efficiently hereafter.

33. Pass au Heron, Alubama.—The balance of appropriations for deepening this Pass, which remained in the Treasury, on the first of this year, having been passed to the surplus fund, the operations have been entirely suspended this year, and the machinery transferred, as above stated,

to the harbor of St. Marks.

34. Pascagoula river, Miss,—For a similar reason to that just mentioned with regard to Pass au Heron, the work at this point has likewise been suspended; and the machinery laid up for use in case of a re-appropria-

tion being made, for which an estimate has been presented.

35. Red river, La.—On this river also, the work in progress for improving its navigation, about the Great Raft, has been suspended in consequence of the balance of appropriation having passed to the surplus fund. Previously to the suspension of operations, the improvement of about 50 miles in extent had been effected, and it is believed that great benefit will result from a continuance of the work, for which an estimate has therefore been made.

36. Mississippi and Ohio rivers.—In order to give a full view of the progress of the important operations for improving the navigation of these rivers, I subjoin a copy of the superintendent's report, for the year ending the 30th September. On the 9th of that month, the inspecting engineer appointed under an act of the last session of Congress, reports: "Thus far Captain Shreve's views and my own, fully coincide, leaving no room to exercise the authority of the law, for suspending the operation of any work, or payment of any account."

37. Cumberland road in Ohio.—The progress made in the construction of this road, since my last report, has not been satisfactory, the operations having been confined to those parts previously contracted for, viz: 26 miles west of Zanesville, and 14 miles west of Columbus. The delay in forming

new contracts has been chiefly owing to the deference paid to the wishes of some residents near the adopted route, who desired that the construction of the road might be deferred, until measures could be taken to procure the substitution of what they considered a more eligible location. In pursuance however, of your instructions, orders were given to the superintendent, in August last, to contract for the prosecution of the work between Zanesville and Columbus, to the extent which the actual means would allow, and arrangements for that purpose have accordingly been made.

A conditional agreement was entered into last spring for the purchase of the Toll bridge over the Scioto river; provided the measure should receive the sanction of Congress, with which view an estimate of the cost has been

submitted to you.

38. Cumberland road in Indiana.—The construction of this part of the Cumberland road, was previously to the present year, directed agreeably to the act of 2d March, 1829, by two superintendents acting jointly. Under their superintendence the road was opened, and the trees removed from the whole line within the State, and subsequently contracts were made for grading and bridging 15 miles east of Indianapolis, and 11 miles west of that place. Under the act of the last session of Congress, for continuing this road, the duties of the superintendents were divided, and the portions east and west of Indianapolis assigned to each of them, independently of the other. Since this seperation of their duties, contracts have been made for grading and bridging 10 additional miles east of Indianapolis, and 12 yest, at an average cost of about \$3,000 a mile, exclusive of a bridge over White river: the construction of which is specially provided for, by the act of the last session, and which will cost about \$19,000. These contracts are to be completed by the 1st of next July.

39. Cumberland road in Illinois, east of Vandalia.—The operations on this road have been managed by the superintendent in a manner entirely satisfactory to the Department. The contracts for opening and grabbling the road between Vandalia, and the east boundary of the State, have been completed, and new ones entered into for the construction of 16 of the principal bridges, 110 culverts, and some parts of the grading, which work is to be finished by the 1st of June next. It is proposed to contract next year for the construction of the remaining bridges, and for the grading of such parts as most require it, in order to make the road useful as soon as practi-

cable.

It is proper to call your attention here to the fact that, although experimental surveys have been made with a view to selecting a route for the continuation of this road beyond Vandalia, its location is established only to that point; and is deferred for a decision of the question which has been submitted to Congress, as to the point of crossing the Mississippi river.

40. Road from Detroit to Chicago, Michigan.—The work contracted for last year, to complete this road as far as the 87th mile from Detroit, has, with some small exceptions, been accomplished; and contracts have been made for the construction of 184 additional miles, to be finished by the be-

ginning of next May.

41. Road from Detroit to Saganaw, Michigan.—The contracts made for this road, provide for its continuation to the distance of 47½ miles from Petroit; of which 27 miles are completed, and the remainder in fair progress.

42. Road from Detroit to fort Gratiot.—This road has been completed about the same distance as the preceding, viz: 26 miles from Detroit, and contracts made for its continuation as far as the 1st quarter of the 39th mile. At this point it was thought advisable to suspend the operations for a short time, in order to have a survey made of a route which the superintendent thought would prove more eligible than the adopted one; an anticipation which is confirmed by the result of the survey, and it is therefore recommended that authority of law to make the proposed change of location be requested. The construction of the road on the new route will be attended with less expense, and will open access to a finer country than that bordering on the adopted route.

3. SURVEYS.

The topographical bureau of this Department having been established as a distinct bureau of the War Department, in pursuance of a regulation dated the 21st June, 1831, the direction of the surveys previously assigned to this Department, has been transferred to the topographical bureau. Presuming that a report from that bureau will state the progress made on them, during the year, it is thought unnecessary to detail what had been done with regard to them before the transfer took place.

4. BOARD OF ENGINEERS.

The only business which has been before the board of engineers, for fortifications, since the date of my last report, is the revision of the project for the defence of Savannah river, before alluded to, under the head of "fortifications."

In pursuance of an act of Congress of the 12th of February, 1831, the board of internal improvements made some modifications in the plan for improving the navigation of the Tennessee river, at the Muscle shoals. The amended plan was approved by the President of the United States, and duly transmitted to the board of commissioners of the State of Alabama.

5. MILITARY ACADEMY.

The report of the board of visiters who attended the last general examination, which is hereto annexed, gives the most satisfactory assurances that this institution continues to prosper under the excellent guidance of the officer who has so long and so ably superintended it. The report is confirmed by my own observation during my visits as inspector of the academy. The number of cadets graduated within the year ending 30th September; 1831, is 33, and the number attached to the accademy at the close of that year was 254. No exertion is spared to perfect its details and extend its usefulness as far as its present organization, and the means afforded by Government, will admit; but some modifications by which the system may be materially improved, can be introduced only by the aid and authority of legislative enactment. Many, if not all of these modifications, have been repeatedly and earnestly recommended in the reports of the boards of visiters. Those which are considered most urgent, are the establishment of a professorship of chemistry, and the regulation of the pay of the professors and teachers in such a manner as to ensure greater permanence in the corps of instructors. The character and extent of the proposed changes are fully

shown in my report to the Secretary of War, which is printed with the documents accompanying the President's message, in 1829. Valuable additions have been gradually made to the collection of models and apparatus belonging to the academy, especially to that of the department of philosophy, so essential for proper instruction in all the branches of experimental philosophy, and in practical astronomy. Much, however, remains to be done to perfect this collection of instruments and apparatus, for the preservation and useful application of which, it is of the first importance that a proper building be provided.

The philosophical apparatus is now crowded into a small room, which is also necessarily used as a recitation room, and one valuable instrument (a

large telescope) has to be kept in a temporary wooden shed.

The construction of a suitable place for divine worship, with which may be combined a fire proof room for the reception and preservation of a valuable and increasing library, ought the to receive early attention, as likewise that of a gymnasium, or building for military and athletic exercises during the winter season.

6. OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER.

The change that was made by the regulation adopted by the War Department in June last, by which the topographical bureau was established as a distinct bureau of the War Department, renders necessary some corresponding changes in the regulations of this department, by which its duties may be more distinctly defined, and means provided for the execution of such of them as were formerly discharged through the medium of the topographical bureau.

The regulations of this department, including those of the military academy, will be duly submitted, with such modifications as it is thought expedient to recommend for your approval, and the sanction of the President.

I take occasion to recommend to your favorable notice, a measure which is called for by the wants of this department, and which has been approved by your predecessors for many years past. I allude to the proposed increase of the corps of engineers; the reasons, for the measure, it is not deemed necessary to recapitulate at this time, as they are to be found in several of the printed reports to Congress, and are embodied in general terms, in the report to the House of Representatives, made by the Secretary of War, in January last, to which I respectfully refer.

To facilitate the transaction of business in this office, and diminish its contingent expenses, I would also suggest that a provision be recommended

for obtaining the franking privilege for the chief engineer.

The lithographic press of the War Department, which is placed under charge of this office, has been used in preparing copies of such drawings and circulars as have been required for the use of the several bureaus. I do not, however, consider its present utility commensurate with its expense.

Statements A and B annexed, exhibit the condition of the fiscal concerns of the Engineer department; and statement C shows the fortifications remaining to be constructed to complete the system of defence as now projected.

All of which is respecially submitted.

C. GRATIOT,
Brio Gen, Chief Engineer.

REPORT ON THE SUBJECT OF FORT DELAWARE.

September 8th, 1831.

Brig. Gen. Charles Gration, Chief Engineer.

Sin: Under your instructions of the 16th May, that we should make "an inspection and survey of fort Delaware, with a view to ascertain the expediency and best mode of repairing it;" we have made the necessary exami-

nation, and have now the honor to submit the following report:

In order the better to understand the extent to which the fort was subjected to the action of fire, it is proper to state, that the platform of the second tier of guns was of 3 inch planks, resting on joists 12 inches by 6 inches, separated some inches from each other. These joists were supported by large girders. The platform extended inward about 6 feet further than the rear of the casemates; and, on this extension, was found a gallery running round the whole interior of the work. Perhaps about half the casemate rooms of this tier were fitted for barracks, quarters, &c. Most of the timbers and planks were of southern pine, rich in turpentine. Here was, therefore, a vast amount of combustible matter; which, being inflamed, would act upon the walls, piers, and arches, as upon the walls and arch of an oven. The rush of cold air into the large rear opening of the casemate would cause the flame, to follow with eagerness all such smaller issues through the exterior walls, as the flues of the embrasures. The piers were enveloped in flame; and the scarp was exposed, on the inner side, to its full action, and to the passage of flame (by the openings just mentioned) through its heart. The soffit of the arch was the reverberating surface of the oven

The platform of the third tier was of wood, (planks and joists of about the same dimensions as above) resting on an offset of the wall on the one hand, and an interior wall, carried up from the inner ends of the arches on the other: between the platform and the extrados of the arches was a void; neither earth nor masonry having been put on the brickwork of the arches. Over this platform was a roof raised, by wood work, about 8 feet to the eaves, and having double pitched shingle slopes. Here was, therefore, even a greater amount of fuel than below. The first on the inner surface of the upper part of the scarp, fell upon and between the arches as the

structure crumbled.

The action of the fire upon the first, or lowest tier, seems to have been

scarcely less than upon the second.

As to effects, the fire appears to have been chiefly hurtful in destroying the coherency of the stone and mortar. The bricks, in general, have resisted its action. The sand stone, universally, has lost all its strength. The deterioration of the stones in the piers is evident, not only from the ease with which it can, in very numerous instances, be broken even by the fingers, but also from the scales which are separating, transversely to the laminæ of structure, under the pressure of the casemate arches. These piers are now hourly crumbling under the superincumbent weight. The piers of the recess arches of both the lower tiers are in like condition. The lintle stones of the tongue holes are crumbling, split, or broken. The stones on the inner side of the scarp wall, except a proportion of a more compact texture, give equal evidences of the disintegrating action of the

fire. The mortar has, of course, for a certain unknown depth lost coherency, and become incapable of further indurations. As to the brick work, that has suffered less. As before mentioned, the bricks have generally resisted well; the mortar has, however, suffered like that in the stone work, and consequently the integrity of the mass must have been impaired to a degree which must render it inadequate to its office. The outside of the scarp presents few or no marks of injury from the flame.

It must, we think, be obvious, from the above statement, that the piers of the casemates must be taken down. If it were possible to rebuild the piers without removing the arches, still we think that, from the intense and long continued heat to which they were exposed on both sides, the case-

mate arches are utterly unworthy of trust.

All the interior face of the scarp, including recess arches, should be removed, both within and without the recesses. The work about the tongue tholes must be taken down, and of course the soles and inner cheeks, and inner arches of the embrasures. Making the preparation for repairs, nothing would be left standing of the present fort but the outer part of the scarp, a part of each pier at the magazines, and possibly, a part near the stairs.

The materials used in the construction are, however, especially in the scarp, of such small dimensions, and the workmanship so bad, that it would be in vain to attempt to tie new work to the old; and if this were possible, we doubt if the thin remaining mass of the old work would have any stability; whether, indeed, it would not be kept from falling, after some years,

entirely by the ties of the newer work.

The foundations of the fort have not, of course, been injured by the fire. The small size of the stones used therein, and the bad workmanship, lead us however, to the opinion, that it would be highly injudicious to place new and substantial work upon them. At every ebb of the tide, water, which on the flood had found its way into the numerous voids, escapes through the avail, in certain places, in torrents. In addition to this, owing to the small size of the materials, the bearing has never been uniform upon the breadth of the grillage; the middle, while sinking with the weight, has left the outer steps of the foundation (and probably the inner) not far from their original height; thus showing that the outer piles (and probably the inner) take no part of the weight of the superstructure.

Under these circumstances, we are decidedly of epinion that fort Delaware is irreparable. We are also of opinion, that it would be improper to put new work upon the masonry of the old foundations. The piles of the foundation are doubtless all the better prepared for new work in consequence of the great weight that for years has been bearing upon them; but owing to the unequal pressure to which they have been subject, we think, before

re-building, they should be again tried with the driver.

We do not consider it a part of our duty, under our instructions, to give an opinion on the subject of re-building this work. The Government, no doubt, fully understands the value of the position, and that it is the only proper one for the defence of the Delaware. We take occasion, however, to say, that in the course of the operation for reclaiming the island, and protecting it from the action of the sea, an embankment of some height has been thrown up all around, which might easily be converted into a battery

and be substituted for the lower tier of the fort. Under such an arrangement, it might be necessary to give to the fort a height of two tiers only, instead of three.

We have the honor to be, With much respect,

Your most obedient,
JAS. G. TOTTEN,
Lt. Col. Eng'rs, Brevet Colonel.

WM. A. ELIASON, Lieut. of Engineers.

A. MORDECAI,

Lieut. of Engineers.

DEPARTMENT OF WAR,

January 13, 1831.

Sin: In obedience to a resolution adopted by the House of Representatives, of the 7th instant, calling on the Secretary of War "to inform the House whether any, and if any, what, additions are necessary to be made to the corps of military and topographical engineers, exclusively for military purposes," I have the honor to report:

With regard to the corps of engineers:

In my report to the President accompanying his message to Congress in 1829, I expressed a concurrence in the opinion, which has been urged for years past by this Department, of the necessity for increasing the number of officers in this corps. The advantages which might result from such an increase, in the construction of fortifications and other works of general improvement, were not lost sight of. The recommendation, however, had reference mainly to such an organization as it was believed would tend to greater economy, and efficiency in the discharge of the military duties of the corps

in time of peace,

The necessity of an increase of their number is illustrated by the fact, that whilst every officer of the corps is how on duty, and but three of them employed in other than military duties, there are only four of the fortifications under construction, in the direction of which, the superintending engineer is assisted by any officer of the corps. The necessity for such assistance in preparing detailed plans, and superintending their proper execution, must be obvious to any who reflect on the varied, and often complicated nature, of those works. This deficiency in officers is imperfectly supplied, in a few cases, by an occasional and temporary detail from other corps of the army, or by the employment of citizens at high rates of compensation.

The number of officers which should be added to the corps, will be regulated by considering the number of fortifications that will probably be under construction at any one time, with other duties to which the officers are liable. The table of "works projected" which accompanies the annual report from this department, will shew that, in addition to those already commenced, 43 have been planned for the Atlantic and gulf of Mexico frontier; besides which, it will be remembered, that no defences are yet projected for the extensive frontier bordering on Canada.

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Referring for the present to the works required for the defence of the seahoard alone, we may suppose that about 12 or 14 of them will be under construction or repair at one and the same time, and the number of officers requisite for their superintendence may be estimated, as follows:

On the eastern Atlantic frontier say	1	field officer,	2	captains,	41	ieutenants.
middle	1	do	4	do	8	do
southern	1	· do	2	do	0	do
gulf of Mexico	1	do	2	do	4	do
To which add,						
At the seat of Government	1	do	0	do	1	do
Military academy	1	do	1	do	2	do
Board of engineers for fortifications, and to meet contingencies of ser-						
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By such an arrangement, there would be in each great division of the maritime frontier, one field officer, who, besides having the immediate charge of a particular work, could act as a general inspector, and whose experience would enable him, in cases of need, to aid by his advice other officers within his district.

It is in accordance with these views, that the project for an increase of the corps heretofore presented to Congress, has been prepared, the details of which are contained in a bill reported at the last session, by, the committee of the House of Representatives on military affairs.

On the subject of the topographical engineers, to which the resolution

also refers, I shall have the honor to report in a few days.

I am, &c.

JOHN H. EATON:

To the Hon. A. Stevenson, Speaker of the House of Reps.

Annual report of work done in improving the navigation of the Ohio and Mississippi rivers in the present year, ending 30th September, 1831.

From the 1st of October, 1830, to the 9th of March, 1831, the steamboat Helepolis removed from the channel of the Mississippi river 1,334 snags or trees, taken from the whole line of the river between island No. 10, sixty miles below the mouth of the Ohio river, and the mouth of bayou Placquemine, twenty-one miles below Baton Rouge, a distance of 830 miles. During the same time, that boat cut a channel through a neck of land near the mouth of Red river, through which the whole channel of the Mississippi river was turned, shortening the distance to the navigators of the Mississippi river 18 miles; and to those navigating the Red and Mississippi rivers, between the Red river settlements and New Orleans, the distance has been shortened six miles. The distance from the new channel, down the old bed of the Mississippi to the mouth of Red river, is six miles, and from Red

river, by the old bed, down it, is twelve miles; consequently, by cutting the channel through, the water from the Red river now finds its way up the old bed of the Mississippi, and passes down through the new channel.

In October, November, and December of last year, I had the timber cut from off the falling in banks of the Mississippi river, a distance of about 538 miles, at the same time all the timber was cut from under the banks

and out of the island chutes for the same distance.

A channel was also cut through the bend of the river at a point called Burch's bend. It has been navigated by twenty or thirty steamboats nearly all the high water season of the last spring and summer. It will be the main channel of the river next spring, and shorten the distance from 24 to 28 miles. The effect produced during the extreme rise of water has been very important at Red river, as it will dry at least 200,000 acres of pine land lying on the bayou Chaffilio, and Red and Black rivers. The difference of the rise last year has been ascertained to be at least two feet at the mouth of Red river; the same effect will be felt at least 60 miles up that river, and about 40 miles up the Black river. On the bayou Chaffilio, the effect produced has been great in proportion to the extent of country; the lands on its banks, for many miles down, are now above the highest floods.

The steamboat "Helepolis" was repaired in April and May last, left New Albany, Indiana, on the 8th of June, and commenced operations in the Mississippi river, between the Ohio and Missouri rivers, where she continued until the water was too low for her to work in that part of the river to advantage: she then commenced work below the Ohio. Up to the 30th of September last, she has removed from the main channel of the Mississippi river 727 snags, making, together, 2,061 snags removed this year by the steamboat "Helepolis." On the 10th of September last, the new steamboat "Archimedes" commenced work at the mouth of the Ohio, and worked up the Mississippi river. From that time to the 30th of September she has removed from the low water channels of that river 204 snags, added to those removed by the steamboat Helepolis, making an aggregate of 2,265 snags removed this year from the bed of the Mississippi river. That boat is quite as efficient as the Helepolis in every particular, except in running down a planter. In that operation the Helepolis has the advantage of nearly double the weight, which adds greatly to the effect when moving at the same velocity. By reference to the last of the two boats, it will be perceived that the Archimedes has cost about \$12,000 less than the Helepolis.

About the 1st of October last year, the improvement of the Ohio river was commenced at the mouth of the Louisville and Portland canal, by removing logs, roots, &c., from the bottom of the channel of that river. For the first two miles below the place of commencement, the number of logs was greater than at any point in the Ohio river. They were taken out, cut, and split in pieces in such manner as to enable the laborers to pile them along the shores; in November they were set on fire and all consumed. Many gentlemen, of good judgment, who examined them at the time they were piled, estimated the quantity at 1,200 cords in the distance of two miles. That work was continued down to Rockport, a distance of 150 miles, and all the most dangerous logs and roots removed from the channel in that distance. On the 6th day of December the men were discharged, the river being too high to work. That work was commenced again on the 22d of

September, and is now in progress.

On the 5th of November last, the improvement of the Ohio river, at the Grand Chain, near its mouth, was completed, agreeably to the act of Congress providing for that particular object. The rocks formerly situated at that point have all been removed, so as to make an entire safe navigation at that place. For a particular description of the work done there, I beg leave to refer you to my letter to the Department, dated the 13th of November last. By the different operations alluded to, the navigation of both rivers has been very much improved in the last year, notwithstanding some losses have occurred, charged to snags. During the last year, the steamboats Crusader, Neptune, Daniel Boon, Fairy, and Union, have been sunk in the Mississippi river. The Crusader, by striking a root or log lying on the bottom of the river in the extreme low water in October last. The Neptune, by swinging off from the shore with her stern made fast with a line to the shore, being heavily laden with pig lead, broke and filled immediately; the engine was not started. The Daniel Boon running close along shore struck a log, was stove, and sunk. The Fairy struck a snag directly opposite the mouth of the Missouri river, and sunk in a few minutes. These four boats were all old and in a state of decay. The Union was a new boat, built of plank without a frame to support them, and being a flat bottom and wall-sided, was very weak. She struck a snag that must have been loose, and have stopped or lodged there during the last spring freshets. At the place where the accident occurred, the Helepolis had taken every description of snag out in the month of November last, when the water was at least ten feet below the stage, when the boat struck. I am of the opinion that a principal cause of the loss of the whole five boats was from the weakness and insufficiency of their hulls. One keel boat and three flat boats were lost during the extreme low water in October and November of last year; not one that has come within my knowledge since the rise of the water in December last. When those losses took place, the Mississippi was several feet lower than it had been for ten years previous. The snags on which the above mentioned steamboat Crusader was stove; the keel boat, and one of the flat boats, have since been removed. Flat boats navigating the Mississippi river, from the mouth of the Missouri to New Orleans, now float at night with as much safety as they do in the Ohio river, by which means their passage is now made in one-half the time it was three years ago. I have no hesitation in stating, without the fear of contradiction from any well informed gentleman, that the amount of property saved by the improvement already made, far exceeds the whole amount of expenditure on all the work since 1824. For a proof of this statement, I will refer the Department to the western members of Congress who travel on those rivers. Some of those gentlemen are familiar with the former and present situation of the obstructions in the river, particularly the Mississippi river, and the Ohio river at the Grand Chain.

The improvement of the Ohio river, under the act of Congress of the 2d March last, has unavoidably been delayed on account of the high stage of water in that river during the whole summer and fall of this year. I have made the necessary preparations for carrying into effect the instructions from the Department, and have now at work from 5 to 600 men. Those men are employed quarrying stone at different places for the purpose of forming the required wing dams. Their labor will be advantageously applied at that part of the work; and should the water fall sufficiently low, a

number of the most difficult and shoal bars in the river will be improved this fall.

I am, sir, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
HENRY M. SHREVE, Sun't.

Brig. Gen. C. GRATIOT, Chief Engineer, Washington, Louisville, Ky. Oct. 13, 1831.

United States' Military Academy;
West Point, June 21, 1831.

To the honorable the SECRETARY OF WAR:

Sin: The Board of Visiters invited by a circular from the War Department, of the 31st March, "to attend the general examination of the cadets of the United States' Military Academy," in the discharge of the duty devolved on them, have directed their enquiries to a full and free investigation of the course of instruction, military and scientific, and to the internal police, discipline, and fiscal concerns of the institution. This investigation, the results of which we propose, in a succinct form to present to you, has impressed the board with a full conviction, that the institution has substantially accomplished the leading objects of its establishment; and that, regarded in any light, in which it may be viewed, whether in its connexion with the primary means of national defence, the cardinal design of its creation, or with the more remote, but no less important concerns of our internal civil polity, to the success of which it is a valuable auxiliary, its claims upon the continued support and fostering patronage of the Government, are many and commanding.

The whole number of cadets, upon the examination roll, furnished to the board, is two hundred and twenty-two; these are divided into four classes; the first consisting of thirty-three members, whose course of instruction has now been completed, the second of fifty two who have been three years in the institution, the third of sixty-two of two years standing, and the fourth of seventy-five, admitted since the period of the examination of the last year. These classes have been severally divided into convenient sections, arranged agreeably to the relative merits of the cadets composing them; their grade being settled by the academic board, at short, stated intervals, by an impartial recurrence to well ascertained and fixed rules.

The course of instruction prescribed for each class, will be shown by the synopsis herewith communicated, marded A. It is the purpose of the report, to detail the observations of the board, upon the examinations of the

several departments, in their order.

The studies of the first class are directed to engineering and the science of war; to ethics, rhetoric, hational and constitutional law; to infantry facties and artillery. Upon each of these branches of science, the class have undergone a thorough examination, and it affords the hoard pleasure to stare, that its result has been as satisfactory as, its process has been searching and laborious.

To engineering, both military and civil, the attention of the class has been minutely and profitably directed. In the whole course of military engineering, comprising field and permanent fortifications, attack and defence of places, and military communications, as well as in that of civil engineering, comprehending the important subjects, of land and water communications, by navigable rivers, canals, common roads, bridges and rail roads; of hydraulic constructions and buildings; of nautical constructions; of carpetery, stone cutting and civil architecture; the class have acquitted themselves in a manner, meriting the most unqualified commendation. The most involved and difficult problems, have been solved and demonstrated, with a readiness evincive of the thorough familiarity of the class with those important branches of science; and reflecting upon the accomplished officer charges

with this department of instruction the highest credit.

That these subjects have not engaged an undue share of the time and attention of the cadets, the board are fully satisfied. The science of military engineering is intimately connected with that of war, and with every well devised system of national defence. The primary and leading object of this instruction, is to train up a portion of our youth for this indispensable branch of the public service; to fit them for the intelligent discharge of the high duties of superintending and directing the defences; and command the armies of the nation. All experience teaches, that these qualifications are not the acquirements of a day; that the emergency which calls or the exercise, is not always sufficient for their creation. The principte of the art of war, comprehending in its present advanced stage of improvement; all the exact and many of the physical sciences, with various incidental and collateral branches of learning, like all other knowledge, can only be attained by the application of the mind, aided and directed by competent and skilled instructors. That the duty of this application has been enforced, and thus assistance and instruction afforded here, the examination of this class, has

abundantly evidenced.

The science of civil engineering, as taught at this academy, the board regard, as a branch of education, fundamentally important. This may emphatically be styled the age of improvement. At a time, when the energies of a discerning and patriotic public spirit are every where directed to the purposes of practical improvement; when, in every portion of this wide spread sonfederacy, we are daily furnished with the manifestations of a desire, by means of canals and railroads, to connect the remotest portions of the Union, and through their agency, to develop the resources, and improve the condition of our country, the value of the knowledge imparted in this course, cannot be overrated. That this branch of science can be taught in this academy with advantage, experience has shown. That in the ordinary literary institutions of the country, an attention sufficient to qualify for the discharge of the practical duties, already indicated, has not been bestowed, may be safely inferred, from the multiplied and pressing demand upon the War Department, for aid preferred by those engaged in the interesting works of improvement, contemplated, and in progress. It has been a subject of general and of just regret, that the means of assistance thus invoked, have not been within the competency of the Government to afford. To meet these continually recurring applications for the services of persons skilled in this branch of science, no mode within the knowledge of the board, is so likely to prove efficient, as that of giving to the distinguished professor in this department the means of increased usefulness by a liberal enlargement of the

stock of models, now very inconsiderable.

In aid of his instructions in the first branch of this science, the model of a fortification, with all its parts complete, is regarded as indispensible. The expenditures of the Government upon the permanent fortifications are given and recurring; and yet, in an institution designed to fit its students for this important branch of the public service, there is not a single model by which they may be taught the mechanical construction of a work of this kind. As small sum appropriated to this object, would ensure an improvement in this branch of science, which would be beneficially felt in the construction of the public works necessary to the defence of our extensive inland and maritime frontier.

The model of a stone bridge, with its centering, and the caisson used in founding piers, where the water is deep, and the foundation of rock; of a lock upon the most approved plan, and of a dry dock, the board think, would be found useful. To these might be advantageously added models in the department of architecture, calculated to improve the taste in building. These would serve not only as the means of instruction to the students of this institution, but of extensive general improvement; to the increased comfort of our private dwellings, and the embellishment and economy of

our public edifices.

For these objects, the hoard would respectfully suggest the employment of a modeller, would be calculated most effectually and economically to as-

complish.

In the science of war, the class acquitted themselves, upon their examination, satisfactorily to the board. In the knowledge of the principles of intantry tactics and artillery, they appear to be well grounded. The examinations on these subjects in the recitation room, have prepared the board to express a full concurrence, in the favorable opinions indicated by former boards of visiters, in relation to the modes of instruction pursued in this department, and of the merit of the professors directing them.

In the practical duties of the soldier, the cadets of all the classes have been thoroughly instructed. The board are at a loss for terms in which to express their admiration of the manly gracefulness of carriage, and the steadiness of position, maintained by them in the field; of the ease, promptitude, and precision, with which their various evolutions in battalion performance, and of the skill and accuracy with which their artillery is exercised and

manœuvred.

For the maintenance of this admirable system of discipline, of which the flattering results above indicated are the fruits, and for the preservation of the health of the cadets, by furnishing them with the means of salutary exercise, the board earnestly recommend, that a suitable building be erected, to be used during the inclement seasons of the year, when the studen s of this

institution, cannot, with safety, be exposed.

The board cannot take leave of this branch of the subject committed to their inquiry, without a decided expression of the satisfaction they have received, from the evidence furnished by the cadets of their proficiency in the exercise of the piece, in target firing, and in the preparation of ammunition, rockets, &c. It has been to the board a subject of surprise and regret, that this post is without the horses necessary for the ordinary artillery service, and they feel it to be their incumbent duty, to press upon the Government the necessity of a provision to meet this object. Twenty horses might be

benefit to the cadets, in allowing them an opportunity of acquiring some knowledge of horsemanship, which, in after-life, may prove to them valuable

and important.

In the branches of ethics, rhetoric, national and constitutional law, the class acquitted themselves with great credit, evincing by their answers, a familiarity with the principles of their text books, acquired and retailed not so much by the mere effort of memory, as by the application of the mind to their thorough investigation.

In this department, much inconvenience has been experienced for the want of the books necessary to carry on the course of instruction, in which the library, although liberally supplied on other subjects, is lamentably deficient. The board respectfully recommend, that a specific appropriation be

asked to supply this deficiency.

The studies comprehended in the course of the second class, are natural

philosophy, chemistry, and drawing.

In the first of these branches, comprising magnetism, electricity, mechanics, optics, and astronomy, the class gave proofs of considerable attainment. In the solution of the most difficult problems, their demonstrations at the black board, were neat, clear, and conclusive; and executed with a promptitude and coolness, which, nothing short of a full confidence in their own attainments, could inspire. The board have no hesitation in expressing their belief, that no class of equal numbers can be found in any university in the Union, more thoroughly conversant with the subjects upon which they have been examined.

The philosophical apparatus has been much enlarged within the last two years, and is principally of French manufacture, of exquisite workmanship and beauty, and of the most modern and approved construction. For the purposes of a course of experimental philosophy, it is nevertheless inadequate. The board would, therefore, recommend, that a small annual ap-

propriation be asked for its extension.

The examination of the class in chemistry, gave much satisfaction to the board, and furnished evidence of the zeal and industry, with which the acting professor and his assistant have devoted themselves to the discharge of their respective duties. In this department, and in that of natural philosophy, great inconvenience has been experienced for the want of suitable rooms for lectures, recitations, and experiments: at present, the rooms in which the apparatus is kept, are used for these purposes. This exposes the instruments to great injury, as the experiments and preparations cannot be made near them without projudice. A building to contain apartments would conduce to the convenience of the institution. Under this impression, the board recommend that an appropriation be asked for its erection.

In drawing, the cadets of this, and of the third class, have made surprising progress. In topography, landscapes, and the delineation of the human figure, their performances are excellent, and in a high degree creditable to themselves, and to the accomplished artist from whom they have received

their instructions.

The course of instruction pursued by the third class, embraces mathematics, French, and drawing. That of the fourth class is confined to mathematics and French.

In mathematics, instruction is afforded to the third class, in analytical geometry, perspective sludes and chadows, spherical projections, surregings the differential and integral calculus, descriptive geometry, and plane and And to the fourth, in algebra, gentletry, plane spherical 'trigonometry.' and spherical analytical trigonometry, and descriptive geometry? To say, that, in their thorough examination on these subjects, the classes acquitted themselves well, would be but a feeble expression of the opinions of the board. They believe that, for accuracy and skill in the construction of the diagrams necessary for the demonstration of the problems proposed to them for solution, and the quickness, ease, and precision, with which the results

were attained, these classes have never been excelled. The examination of the third class in mathematics commenced in the afternoon of the 10th instant, and was continued on the 11th, resumed on the 13th, and concluded about noon on the 14th. The examination of the fourth class, on the same subject, was commenced on the evening of the 16th, continued on the 17th and 18th, and resumed and concluded on the morning of the 20th. The examination throughout was creditable to the cadets and their instructors. The use which was made of the blackboard at the examinations deserves to be known. There were two blackboards in different parts of the room; four cadets were called up at the same time, two to each board, and each cadet was told by the examining professor what he wished him to do; they then constructed the diagrams and wrote out their demonstrations and solutions on the board. While they were occupied, questions were put to one or more members of the class until one of those first called up was ready at the blackboard; he then read his Bemonstration or solution; but this was done with a readiness which showed that it was fully understood. He was then questioned in relation to the demonstration or solution, and the examination continued until the radet next to him was ready. By this means, the student had time to reflect and to work out his demonstration or solution; he was free from embarrassment whilst thus engaged, because he knew that all present were attending to the felson under examination. Besides the able professor who presides over this department, seven assistants are necessary to enable him to do justice to his classes, while the law provides but for one. This deficiency was formerly supplied by the selection of the most distinguished cadets, but it was found that the cadets thus selected were unable to progress with their class, and at the same time give useful instruction to others. Subsequently, officers have been detailed from the army and assigned to the discharge of the duty; but as no compensation is allowed by law for this extra service, the officers detailed have no inducement to retain their places in the institution. The consequence is, that this most important department is continually subjected to the evils of frequent changes in the instructors. At the close of the present term, as the board are informed, every assistant, except the one provided for by law, leaves the institution, strikingly illustrating the necessity of some provision to guard against this great inconvenience. Id it is believed that the provisions of an act reported at the last session of Congress (a manuscript copy of which is herewith communicated, market B,) would, it allopted, correct this evil and many others to which the institution is exposed. The professor in this department has felt the want of a large theodolite, with Hassler's improvement, the purchase of which the board would respectfully recommend.

In French, the attainments of these classes are respectable, and the examnations in this department Were very satisfactory to the board.

With regard to the police of the institution, the board have found much to commend, and nothing which, in their opinion, requires alteration. An admirable system has been matured, which is fully understood and vigilantly enforced. Every thing which can conduce to the health and comfort of the cadets, consistently with a due attention to study and the performance of

their military duties, has received attention.

The discipline established by the regulations of the academy, is favorably illustrated in the personal appearance and manly deportment of the cadets; the neatness and uniformity of their dress and accountrements; and their strict and willing obedience to the orders of their superiors. The seeming rigor of the requirements prescribed, has had the most salutary operation, in engendering a spirit of manly and honorable emulation, the distinguising characteristic of the students of this institution.

The relations subsisting between the superintendent and instructors, and the cadets, are in strict harmony with their respective duties, and calculated to inspire the latter with a strong feeling of self respect. Every motive which can be addressed to their pride and judgment to influence a devotion to science, is here presented; and it affords the board unqualified pleasure to state that they have not been unmindful of the advantages they enjoy, nor lost sight of the high destinies to which, in the future concerns of their Government,

they may reasonably aspire.

The books and accounts of the Quartermaster, and of the Treasurer and Paymaster, have been examined, and found to be correct. A strict system of accountability has been established in regard to the receipt and disburstment of the public money, sufficiently guarded to prevent its misapplication, the accounts of the cadets are regularly and accurately kept; their clothing and other necessary articles are so furnished as to avoid all imposition, and at prices, if not below, certainly not above the ordinary rates,

The board likewise examined the food served up at the meals of the cadets, which they found of excellent quality, and prepared with a cleanliness and regard to comfort, worthy of all praise. To the many inquiries proposed to the cadets themselves, the reply has uniformly been, that their food was

not only good but abundant.

The medical department has also engaged the attention of the board. The hospital erected within a few years, is convenient in its arrangement, arry, and comfortable. The concerns of this department are exceedingly well directed by the distinguished surgeon under whose supervision it has been

nlaced.

The fiscal concerns of the institution appear to have been conducted with great ability; and the appropriations of the Government, to have been expended judiciously, and faithfully. By the practice of a judicious economy, a considerable fund was not long since accumulated, which has been chiefly expended in the erection of useful buildings, embracing a commodious hotel for the accommodation of the parents and friends of the eadets, and of other persons visiting the academy.

In connexion with the subject of the public buildings, the board feel it to be their duty to reiterate the recommendation heretofore repeatedly made, that a competent appropriation for the erection of a house of worship, be asked of Congress. The room now used for the purpose, pever was designed to be so appropriated: it is too small to accommodate the cadets, and others

who frequent it, and is, in all other respects, inconvenient.

The library of the academy has been procured with much trouble, and at considerable expense: it is valuable, and should be preserved. To provide for its security, the board would respectfully recommend that a fire-proof room to receive it, be connected with the chapel, which they propose should be erected. The room now occupied as a library, should this recommendation be effected, may be advantageously used as a lecture or recitation room.

A reference to the reports of former and successive boards of visiters, will show that astrong conviction of the inadequacy of the existing rank and pay of the Superintendent of this academy, has long obtained. In this conviction, and the recommendations founded on it, the board entirely concur. The services required and diligently performed by him, are extremely laborious; the responsibility of his station is great, and the expense to which he is necessarily subjected, very considerable. The zeal, talent, and industry which have been so long and conspicuously displayed by him in the faithful discharge of his important and arduous duties, entitle him, in the judgment of the board, to the favorable consideration of the Government.

The board forhear to multiply suggestions in relation to the wants of the institution, already brought to the view of the Government by boards of visiters who have preceded them. They believe that the prompt and full gratification of these wants, would eminently promote the public welfare, by giving increased efficiency to an institution, whose interests are bound up

with those of the nation,

Every facility has been afforded to the board, in aid of their investigations, by the Superintendent and those connected with him in the administration of the affairs of the academy. To the merits of all, the board take pleasure in bearing testimony: in their capacity and devotion to science, the national confidence may be safely reposed, in the assurance that the interests committed to their charge will be faithfully guarded, and zealously advanced.

We have the honor to be,

Sir, your obedient servants, WINFIELD SCOTT, Major Gen. U. S. A.

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A bill making further provision for the Military Academy at West Point.

SEC. 1. Be it chacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States be, and he is hereby, authorized to appoint a professor of chemistry and mineralogy in the United States Military Academy in the United States of the United State

Sec. 2 And be it further enacted, That the professors of the Military Reademy, from and after the passing of this act, shall receive chehithe pay and embluments allowed to the professor of natural and experimental philo-

sophy.

SEC. 3. And he if further enacted, That the teacher of the French lame guage and teacher of drawing, shall each receive the pay and emoluments

of a major of infantry.

Sec. 4. And be it further enacted. That the President of the United States be, and he is hereby, authorized to appoint two other teachers of the French language, who shall each receive the pay and emoluments of a cap-

tain of infantry.

Size. 5. And be it further enacted. That the President of the United States be, and he is hereby, authorized to appoint an assistant professor of chemistry and mineralogy, who, together with the assistant professors already provided; shall, if an officer of the army, receive so much in addition to his pay and emoluments as shall equal those of a captain of infantry; and, if not taken from the army, shall receive the pay and emoluments allowed to a captain of light-dragoons, by an act, entitled an act to raise, for alimited time, an additional military force; 22 passed the 12th day of April, 1808.

SEC. 6. And be it further enacted, That all lieutenants who shall under the direction of the President of the United States, be detailed from the army to act as instructors, assistant professors, or assistant teachers in the Military Academy, shall, after the first year while so employed, be allowed

each ten dollars per month in addition to his pay in the line.

Sec. 7. And be it further chacted, That each officer of the army in the actual command of a company of catets, shall be entitled to receive the same additional compensation as is allowed every officer in the actual command of a company in the army, by the second section of an act, entitled "an act giving further compensation to the captains and subalterns of the army of the United States in certain cases," passed the 2d day of March, 1827.

Sec. 8. And be it further enacted, That so much of the act, entitled "an act making further provision for the corps of engineers," passed the 29th day of April, 1812, as confines the selection of assistant professors to the

corps of engineers and cadets, shall be, and is hereby, repealed.

SEC. 9. And be it further chacted, That the professors and officers attached to the Military Academy, who by law are entitled to forage, shall receive, in lieu thereof, an equivalent in money at the rate allowed to officers of the army, although they may not actually keep the horses for which they are entitled to forage.

SEC. 10. And be it further enacted, That all officers, professors, teachers and their assistants, and all other persons authorized to be employed for the Military Academy, shall be subject to the rules and articles of war which

are now, or which hereafter may be, established.

SYNOPSIS of the course of studies at the Military Academy.

Class.	Department.	Section.	Names of Instructors.	Class books and subjects of study.
	Engineering and Science of War. ? Rhetoric and Mo- ral Philosophy.	1 5 2 5	D. H. Mahan, Professor. Eleut. Mason, Assistant Professor. Rev. Thomas Warner, Professor, and Liguts. Fillinghast and J. A. Smith,	Science of War and Fortification, by Gay de Vernan. Programme d'un Cours de Construction par Syanzier, &c. &c Murray's Large Grammar; Blair's Rhetoric, and Paley's Moral Philosophy; Kent's Lectures on the Law of Nations, and Constitution of the
↓st.≺	Infantry Tactics. {	1 5	Assistant Professors Capt Hitchcock, Instructor of Tactics.	United States: Regulations for the Exercises and Manœuvres of Infantry.
197	Artillery. {	1 5	Lifetit. Kinsley, Instructor of Artillery. 7 Do. do. 5	Lallemand's Treatise on Artillery; a part of Hutton's Tracts, &c.
	Nat. Philosophy.	2 {	E. H. Courtenay, Professor Licut. Cram, Assistant Professor	Francoeur Traite de Mecanique Knalytique; Farrar's Treatise of Opties; Electricity and Magnetism, and Astronomy. Bridge's Mechanic; Farrar's Treatise on Mechanics; Optics, Mechanics and Magnetism, and Astronomy.
2d. <	Chemistry.	8 ()	Lieut. Buckingham, do. Lieut. Hopkins, Acting Professor, and Lieut. Mather, Assistant Professor.	Do. do. do. do. Turner's Chemistry. Do. do. Do. do. Dol do.
	brawing.	Whole class.	M. Gimbrede, Teacher. Lieur. T. B. Brown, Ass't Teacher.	Landscape and Topography.
1		5.0	Charles Davies, Professor. • •	Essai de Geometree Analytique, par Beot; Perspective Shades and Shadows; Spherical Projections, Davies' Surveying, &c. Traite de calcul Differential et Integral, pair Lacrotz.
dis#	Mathematics.	2	Lieut. Church, Assistant Professor.	Essai de Geometree Analytique, par Beot; Perspective Shades and Shadows; Spherical Projections, Davies' Surveying, &c. Traite de calcul Differential et Integral, par Bouchartat.
		3	Lieut. J. B. Smith, do.	Davies' Descriptive Geometry; Plane and Spherical Trigonometry, (Analytical,) Perspective Shades and Shadows; Spherical Projections; Davies' Surveying; Traite de Geometree Analytique, par Bouchartat;
3d, <			A SISTONYE	Traite de calcul Differential et Integral, par Bouchartat.

285	Department.	Department. Section. Names of Instructors.			Class books and subjects of study.				
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	Drawing.	5 1 5	M. Gimbrede, Teacher.	7 77				* "	
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STATEMENT A.

Exhibiting the fiscal concerns of the Engineer Department for the year within that period; and the manner of their accruing are stated, and amounts expended upon the several works under construction.

	Available for 1831, and from whence de- rived.			
Designation of the Appropriations,	From appropriations for 1831.		Aggregate 'available-	
FORTIFICATIONS.	Materials	ATS		
Fort Adams, Rhode Island Hamilton, New York Monroe, Virginia Calhoun, do. Macon, North Carolina at Oak island, do; Fortifications at Charleston, South Carolina Savannah, Georgia Mobile point, Alabama Pensacola, Florida Fort Jackson, Louisiana Repairs of the battery at Bienvenue, La. at Fort Wood, Tower at Bayou Dupré, Preservation of George's island, Boston harbor Repairs at Fort Lafayette, New York Repairing Fort Columbus and Castle Williams, New York Securing the Pea Patch island; for the construction of a new water tank; and for gravelling the parade at Fort Delaware	100,000 00 10,000 60 80,000 00 80,000 00 70,000 00 95,000 00 45,000 00 100,000 00 3,004 00 3,600 00 5,000 00	53,038 70 24,880 97 24,787 99 20,074 29 13,760 14 9,179 38 70,515 33 75,377 82 25,425 48 26,679 18 34,135 35 - 2,053 80 49 86 6,345 57	153,068 70 34,880 97 104,787 99 100,074 29 83,766 14 104,139 38 175,377 82 115,423 48 126,679 18 34,135 35 3,004 00 3,600 00 2,053 80 5,049 86 6,345 57 25,000 00	
Contingencies of fortifications	10,000 00	4,743 11	14,743 11	
	716 604 00	420,018 77	1,136,622 77	
INTERNAL IMPROVEMENTS.		1000		
Repairs on the Cumberland road east of Wheeling Construction of the Cumberland road from	950 00		950 00	
Canton to Zancsville in Ohio Opening, grading, and making Cumberland	2,700 00	- 13	2,700 00	
road west of Zanesville, do. Opening, grading, and bridging the Cumber-land road in Indiana	75,000 00	82,185 51	182,185 51	
Opening, grading, and bridging the Cumber- land road in Illinois	66,000 00	72,214 87	147,214 87 105,560 87	
Continuing the road from Detroit to Chicago Continuing the road from Detroit to Fort	10,000 00	8,262 48	18,282 48	
Gratiot -	8,000 00	10,895 92	18,895 92	

STATEMENT A.

ending the 30th September, 1831, in which the funds that had accrued accounted for, by showing their application; and showing also the

A	mount availabl	e accounted for	Pr.		
Am't applied corresponding with accounts rendered to 30th Septem- ber, 1831.	drawn from	Balance in the hands of Agents on the 1st Oct. 1831.	counted for,	Cost of the several works, 1st Oct. 1831.	Remarks.
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81,016 20 34,511 29 80,511 10 99,175 43 54,505 86 77,340 86 37,513 60 33,884 50 78,612 56 127,683 35 31,618 17 3 50 8 63 2,652 25 4,030 23 22,539 88 6,049 96	5,700 00 24,000 00 21,500 00 54,469 00 23,075 00 25,000 00 	3,926 78 369 68 18,576 89 898 86 5,254 28 5,338 52 23,332 73 18,418 32 11,812 92 2,517 18 3,000 50 3,600 00 2,045 17 4,020 00 2,906 62 4,045 77 6,581 92 3,762 74 120,408 88		589,656 90 482,599 40 1,640,460 74 1,156,866 69 281,981 27 359,190 84 92,198 27 845,217 52 256,141 86 626,937 18 14,632 24	Account to 1 July Acc'ts to 1 April. S Due Agent \$1,004 17.
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91,630 33	89,787 18	768.00	182,185 51	209,444 82	
45,374 57	89,835 00	12,005 30	147,214 87	83,159 70	(g) (d)
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7,540 41	8,000 00	3,355 51	18,895 92	18,644 49	

STATEMENT A-

	Available for 1831, and from whence derived				
Designation of the Appropriations.	From appropriations for 1831.	Balance of appropriations undrawn from Treasury, and those remaining in the hands of Agents, on 30th Sept. 1830, and amounts refunded, &c.	Aggregate, available.		
Continuing the road from Detroit to Saganaw					
bay	8,000 00	8,333 47	16,333 47		
Continuing to improve the navigation of the Ohio and Mississippi rivers	50,000 00	78,553 98	128,553 98		
Improving the Ohio and Mississippi rivers from Pittsburg to New Orleans	150,000 00	-	150,000 00		
Improving the navigation of Red river at the	-	14,412 05	14,412 05		
Deepening the bar at the mouth of Pascagoula	-	16,110 55	16,110 55		
Deepening the channel through the Pass au Heron	125	6,130 12	6,130 12		
Improving the harbor of Mobile	137.178	18,758 22	18,758 22		
Removing obstructions in the river Appalachi- cola, Florida	8,000 00	3,000 00	11,000 00		
Improving the harbor and river of St. Marks, Florida	7,430 00	12,158 85	19,588 85		
North Carolina	17,000 00	12,642 07	29,642 07		
North Carolina - Removing sand bar at the mouth of Merrimack	25,705 00	27,813 66	53,518 66		
river, Mass.	16,000 00	1,087 20	17,087 20		
Preservat on of Plymouth beach, Mass Provincetown harbor, do	2,820 00 2,050 00	337 45	3,157 45		
Removing the bar at the mouth of the harbor of Nantucket	T. 10 C. 10 C. 10 C.	1,204 65	3,254 65		
Removing obstructions in Kennebec river, at Lovejoy's narrows, Maine	8,265 00	1,778 46	10,043 46		
Removing obstructions in Berwick branch of		10,779 68	10,779 68		
Piscataqua river, Maine - Repairing piers at the entrance of Kennebunk		595 04	595 04		
river, Maine Preservation of Deer island, Boston harbor,	1,175 00	788 61	1,963 61		
Mass	12,390 00	1 1 1 1 1 1	12,390 00		
B cakwater at Hyannis harbor, Mass.	8,400 00	940 56	9,340 56		
Pers a Stonington harbor, Connecticut Impriving the navigation of Mill river, do.	-	13,133 53	13,133 53		
Piers at Oswego harbor, New York	3,416 84	489 71	489 71		
Piers at Buffalo harbor, dos -	12,900 00	1,592 46	3,416 94 14,492 46		
Piers at Dunkirk harbor, do	7,102 50	1,052 40	7,102 50		
Piers at Black Rock Imrbor, do.	1,800 00	-	1,800 00		

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A	mount availabl	e accounted for	or.		
Am't applied corresponding with accounts rendered to 30th Septem- ber, 1831.	drawn from	Balance in the hands of Agents on the 1st Oct. 1831.	Aggregate accounted for, and corresponding with the aggregate available.	Cost of the several works, 1st Oct. 1831.	Remarks.
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5,308 17	8,000 00	3,025 30	16,333 47	13,974 70	,
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12,242 18	2,526 00	Jan Sales	14,768 18	22,830 13	fund \$2,526.
302 00	15,900 00	1737 30	16,202 00	9,691 45	Due Ag't \$91 45, carr'd to surplus fund \$15,900.
347 14	6,050 00.	1	6,397 14	12,217 02	Due Ag't \$267 02, carried to surplus
1,205 00	13,421 22	4,132 00	18,758 22	12,446 78	fund \$6,050.
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33,617 33	14,468 00	5,433 33	53,518 66	51,491 67	LEADER LINES
10,237 46 1,742 67 3,161 01	6,000 00 490 00 93 64	849 74 924 78	17,087 20 3,157 45 3,254 65	44,756 98 42,152 12 5,456 36	erene
	1,485 00	8,558 46	10,043 46	28,221 54	- A- 1978
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STATEMENT A-

	Available for 1831, and from whence derived				
Designation of the Appropriations.	From appropriations for 1831.	Balance of appropriations undrawn from Treasury, and those remaining in the hands of Agents, on 30th Sept. 1830, and amounts refunded, &c.			
	4				
Improving the navigation of Genesee river, New York Removing obstructions at the mouth of Big	16,670 00	2,019 99	18,689 99		
Sodus Bay, N. Y.	17,450 00	345 42	17,795 42		
Securing the works at Oswego harbor, N. Y.	18,600 00		18,600 00		
Piers at La Plaisance bay	7 015 00	289 06	289 06		
Removing obstructions at Ashtabula creek, O. Do. do. Cunningham cr'k, O.	7,015.00	228 61 134 09	7,243 61 134 09		
Do. do. Huron river, do.	3,480 00	104 09	3,480 00		
Improving Cleveland harbor, do-	A ALIA AA	1,497 26	5,167 26		
Removing obstructions at Grand river, do.	5,680 00	1 64	5,681 64		
Removing sand bar at mouth of Black river, do.		1,174 73	10,449 73		
Improving the navigation at Conneaut cr'k, do. harbor of Presqu' Isle, Penn Improving harbors of Newcastle, Marcus	6,370 00 1,700 00	987 63	7,357 63 1,700 00		
Hook, &c., Delaware river	4,000 00	6,459 12	10,459 12		
State of the second second	699,014 34	456,917 62	1,155,931 96		
LIGHTHOUSES.			47.793		
Lighthouse at the harbor of Buffalo, N.Y Beacon light at the entrance of the harbor of	12,512 00	2,500 00	15,012 00		
Erie, Pennsylvania Lighthouse at Cleveland harbor, Ohio	2,500 00	2,500 00	2,500 00 2,500 00		
Beacon light at Grand river, Ohio	1,000 00	Marie Cont.	1,000 00		
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MILITARY ACADEMY.	11/3/11	1840			
Defraying the expenses of the board of visiters at West Point	1,500 00	12 (15.11			
Fuel, forage, stationery, printing, transporta- tion, and postage for M A. Repairs and improvements of buildings and	8,400 00	15 000,000			
grounds at West Point	3,400 00 900 00	-			
Increase and expenses of the library	1,400 00.	0 745 00	01 401 00		
Philosophical apparatus	2,000 00 1,800 00	9,741 29	31,491 29		
Models for drawing, repairing instruments, chemical and minor apparatus Miscellaneous items and incidental expenses	750 00	14.00			
of the military academy -	1,600 00	1			
Military laboratory and workshop -	-,000 00				

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21,679 89	3,853 13	5,958 27	31,491 29		

STATEMENT showing the amount of money drawn from the Treasury, and remitted to the officers and agents disbursing under the Engineer Department, from the 1st of October, 1830, to the 30th of September, 1831, inclusive; and the amount of accounts rendered by each within the same period.

Names of officers and agents.	On what account.	Amount remitted.	Amount of accounts rendered.	£
Col. Joseph G. Totten	Fort Adams -	\$61,000 00	\$81,016 20	
Maj. R. E. De Russy	Fort Hamilton	30,750 00	34,511 29	
	Repairs at fort Lafayette		2,652 25	Mark I
	Do. at fort Columbus and eastle Williams	8,076 00	4,030 23	
	Contingencies of fortifications -	400 00	400 00	
Lieut, S. Tuttle -	Securing the Pea Patch island -	4,000 00	14,611 81	
	Road in Ohio, east of Zanesville -	904-53	679 25	3 1 8
	Do. west of Zanesville	45,000 00	45,014 86	2012
As the second	Imp't of the harbors of Newcastle, &c.	3,150 00	2,561 11	
Lieut W. A. Eliason -	Securing the Pea Patch island	12,321 14	7,978 07	
	Contingencies of fortifications -	3,000.00		2205
	Imp't of the harbors of Newcastle, &c.	2,500 00	5,022 62	
Capt. A. Talcott -	Fort Monroe -	91,550 00	80,511 10	
The second second	Fort Calhoun	78,000 00	99,175 43	
	Contingencies of fortifications -	1,700 00	773 43	HE 8 11
Capt. J. L. Smith -	Fort Macon	54,400 00	54,505 86	
Capt. Geo. Blaney -	Fort at Oak island	73,500 00	77,340 86	
	Improvement of Cape Fear river	37,665 00	33,617 33	
Lieut. H. Brewerton -	Fortifications at Charleston	57,000 00		Ac'ts for 3d qr. wanting
	Contingencies of fortifications -	29 52	29 52	or row and death when the

	To the standard Savernah	30,955 00	12,855 03	Accounts for 2d and 3d
Lt. J. K. F. Mansfield	Fortifications at Savannah	15,192 00	31,618 17	[quarter wantings.
Capt. R. Delafield	Fort Jackson -	62,250 00	37,351 34	
Lieut. C. A. Ogden -	Fort at Mobile point -	5,000 00	581 00	
Tarrest and the second	Improving Mobile harbor	25,000 00	41,261 22	SECTION IN COME
Lieut. A. H. Bowman	Fort at Mobile point -	20,000 00	584 00	
manufacture - and	Improving Mobile harbor	3,004 00	3 50	
W VI LIKETKERIN - T	Repairs at battery Bienvenu -	3,600 00	N4165 16	
7 1/1/202 - 3	Repairs at fort Wood -	3,000 00	8 63	
a car begins a life ex-	Tower at bayou Dupré Contingencies of fortifications	355 75	393 00	
- A O I			347 14	
Lieut. C. A. Ogden -	Improving the Pass au Heron -	100000000000000000000000000000000000000	302 00	
42 2 22 27 61	Improvement at Pascagoula river	107,000 00	127,683 35	
Capt. W. H. Chase -	Fortifications at Pensacola	20,396 87	21,679 89	
Lt. Col. S. Thayer -	Military Academy	117. 70	21,010 00	
	Contingencies of fortifications -	2,500 00	13,000 14	a mail of the later of the
Lieut. George Dutton	Improvement at Ocracoke inlet		8.431 52	
Maj. T. W. Maurice -	Do. Black river, Ohio -	8,985 52	12,208 72	
	Do. Buffalo harbor, N. Y.	13,065 99	5,330 10	
The state of the s	Do. Dunkirk harbor, N.Y.	7,102 50	1,799 91	
	Do. BlackRock har., N.Y.	1,800 00	,	(m) = (15.9-11 -res.)
Thomas Inc.	Do. Presqu' Isle har., Pa.	1,700 00	1,690 08	
ELIMINE ALEXANDER	Lighthouse, Buffalo harbor, N. Y	12,512 00	9,255 14	
Librar DV Co.	Light at Erie harbor, Pa	2,500 00	2,428 02	
A	Lighthouse at Cleveland, Ohio	1,805 00	752 15	
Maj. H. Staunton -	Contingencies of fortifications -	300 00	176 58	
Capt. A. Lowd -	Do. do	150 00	135 00	
Lt. Col. W. J. Worth	Do. do	2,756 20	2,459 61	
Maj. M. Payne -	Do. do	300 00		
Capt. J. W Ripley -	Do. do	· · · · <u>-</u>	713 11	
Major M. Mason -	Do. do	525 00	341 88	
Lieut. E. S. Sibley -	Detroit and Chicago road	8,000 00	7,883 73	
Liteur, 12. D. Dibloy				

Names of officers and agents.	On what account.	Amount remitted	Amount of accounts rendered.	
Major H. Whiting Lieut. W. Seawell Lieut. G. W. Long Lieut. Jona. Prescott Lieut. D. D. Tompkins Gen. J. G. Swift Thos. B. Smith H. M. Shreve Jesse H. Willis Thos. M. Clarke M. Hubbard A. Wheeler J. Wright A. W. Walworth Henry Phelps	Detroit and fort Gratiot road Detroit and Saganaw road Improvement at Red river Do. Appalachicola river Do. Nantucket harbor Do. Oswego harbor Do. Genesee river Do. sodus bay Preservation of George's island Do. Deer island Do. Deer island Ohio and Mississippi rivers Do. from Pittsburg to N. Orleans Imp't of river and harbor of St. Mark's Do. Merrimack river Do. Ashtabula creek Do. Cunningham creek Do. Huron river Do. Cleveland harbor Do. Grand river Do. Grand river Do. Conneaut creek	\$7,000 00 7,000 00 4,550 00 8,000 00 7,027 00 8,500 00 17,335 00 17,500 00 4,020 00 8,659 00 37,967 00 76,000 00 10,506 72 5,175 00 3,480 00 3,922 56 4,675 00 6,435 65	\$7,540 41 5,308 17 12,230 68 2,752 05 7,599 42 15,700 17 14,928 68 3,172 48 80,013 55 49,746 74 5,733 33 10,237 46 5,865 63 81 26 2,523 88 4,095 59 2,190 99 6,105 90	No accounts rendered. No accounts rendered. Ac'ts for 3d qr. wanting.
A. Dart P. Grand Lot Gage	Do. Kennebec river Do. Hyannis harbor Do. Stonington harbor	6,700 00 7,650 00 8,212 72	7,155 89	Accounts for 1st, 2d, and 3d quarters wanting.
G. Trumbull	Preservation of Plymouth beach	2,330 00		Summer William

A. S. Bowley	2			n harbor	r -	3,156	36	3,161	01	, I I BB
Jer, Sturges -	=	Improvement a		2.37	-			489	71	
B. Palmer -	- E	Piers at Kenne	bunk river	1	4	1,175	00	781	59	Accounts for 1st, 2d, and 3d quarters wanting.
Tim. Ferguson	4	Improvement			-	-		543	06	
H. Phelps -	-	Beacon light at			-	1,000	00	-		No account rendered.
Val. Giesey -	-	Rep'ing Cumb	erland road ea	st Whee	ling	950	00	950	00	
Jas. Hampson	-	Cumb'land road	d in Ohio wes	Zanesv	ille	47,000	00	46,615	47	
Johnson and Milroy	- 1	Do.	Indiana	-	-	25,300	00	21,068	00	2.0
Homer Johnson	-	Do.	do. west	Indianap	olis	18,865	00	12,557		
John Milroy -	-	Do.	do. east	do.		16,000	00	11,749		1, 21, 23, 5
W. C. Greenup	-	Do.	Illinois	-	-	32,516	00	20,362		1 1 1 4 2 3 74
34.		1 B	1 1			\$1,316,418	73	\$1,297,946	29	

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STATEMENT exhibiting the works projected by the Board of Engineers, which have not been commenced, and the estimate of their cost.

FIRST CLASS-TO BE COMMENCED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

Designation of the Works.		=	Estimate of Co	st.
Bart Ct. Divisit Tank San	I circu	35 F/ 3	77 OIA	70
Fort St. Philip, Louisiana	1 10 10 10		77,810 673,205	
Soller's Point Flats, Patapsco river	2 -	5		
Tompkins, New York	P 3	-	420,826	
Redout in advance of ditto		-	65,162	
Fort at Wilkins' point, New York	-		456,845	
Throg's point, do.	1338	多足	471,181	
Dumpling's point, Rhode Island			759,946	
Rose Island, do	1 10 5 6	3 6	82,411	
Dykes across west passage, Narragansett ro For the defence of Boston harbor:	ads -	8 6	205,000	00
Fort on George's island		-	458,800	00
on Nantasket head -	1		539,000	00
Lunette in advance of ditto	1 W E		79,000	00
Redout No. 2, in advance of ditto	- 6	000	32,000	
No. 1, (on Hog island) in advance	of ditto		29,000	00
Dyke across Broad Sound passage -	4.5	1.0	140,000	
Cutting off the summit of Gallop island - Works for the defence of Connanicut island	. Narraga	nsett	2,429	
bay, Rhode Island		重点	220,053	43
	100	53	\$4,531,873	10

SECOND CLASS-TO BE COMMENCED AT A LATER PERIOD.

Designation of the Wo	Estimate of Cost				
Fort at Grand Terre, in Louisiana	1			264,517	52
Tower at Pass-au-Heron, Mobile have	-		-	16,677	
Fort at Hawkins' point, Patapsco riv	ver -		-	244,337	
St. Mary's, Potomac river		10 · 5 8	-	205,602	
opposite the Pea Patch, Delaws	are river	9 1 3 3	-	347,257	
at the Middle Ground, outer h		New Yorl	K -	1,681,411	100
at East bank, do.		do.		1,681,411	
Hale, Connecticut -	-	2 4 5		31,815	85
Wooster -		18.93		27,793	
Trambuli	10.0	50.2		77,445	

STATEMENT C-Continued.

Designation o	Estimate of Cos					
Fort Griswold					132,230	4
at Fort Preble point, Po	rtland h	arbor.	Maine		103,000	
at House island,	ditto		-	-	32,000	
Pickering, Salem -	30.0	SUBSICIA	10 PM	-	116,000	
for Nangus Head -	Lot	enterite		-	35,000	
Seawell, Marblehead		-		-	116,000	00
for Jack's point, do.	ach bal	the rocks	n we	11 27	96,000	00
on Bald Head, North Ca	arolina	dt In e	ne riet	1002	120,000	00
on Federal point, do.		Palti.	pr.	192	12,000	00
And the second s		0.700	de dika	1176	\$5,340,500	22

THIRD CLASS-TO BE COMMENCED AT A REMOTE PERIOD.

Designation of	Estimate of Cost.				
The rafts to obstruct the chann	el bet	ween-	1144	60/1/1	Proceeds of to
Forts Monroe and Calhoun	4	any with	not live	2.	240,568
Fort, Crany island flats	-	SACHT	101 /20	Interaction	258,465
at Newport news	-		-	-	244,337
on Naseway shoal	- 1	ATT THE VIEW	indair ad	9179	673,205
For the defence of Pat	uxent	river:		St Milit	want todificati
Fort on Thomas' point -	ic Journ	and on	Ur Territor	y theat	173,000 (
Fort on Thomas' point - Point Patience -	ar acar	D 67 54	A MILLON	Talk!	164,000 (
the Narrows of Penob	scot ri	ver, Mai	ne -	ho odr	101,000 (
		SET Junt		1 3/1	\$1,854,575

RECAPITULATION.

First class of	works	(17)	dillion i	and the	I estito	-	4,531,873 10
Second class	46	(19)		-	-	-	5,340,500 22
Third elass	66	(7)	-	-	-	-	1,854,575 58

\$11,726,948 90.

REMARKS.

The classification in this statement, distinguishing three periods, exhibits the works enumerated in the order of their efficiency to meet the earliest possible emergency.

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REPORT OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S OFFICE, Washington City, November 2d, 1831.

Sine In obedience to your order dated the 20th of August, I have the known of reporting the operations of this department, from the 1st of January, to the 30th of September, of the present year; and with a view of presenting the operations of the entire period, not heretofore reported, I take the liberty of adding the 4th quarter of last year.

The balance remaining to be accounted for by the several officers of the department, at the date of the last annual report, amounted to \$62,679 35

To which is to be added,

1. The amt. of remittances in the 4th gr. of 1830 \$168,941 50

and the specimen	in the 1st qr. of 1831 in the 2d qr. of 1831 in the 3d qr. of 1831	184,817 40
	A 110	644,631 64

2. Proceeds of the sales of public property, which had become damaged and unfit for use, and of the rents of lands and public buildings not required for military purposes,

6,522 94

Making the whole to be accounted for, \$713,833 93
Of which there was accounted for by accounts of the 3d quarter, of 1830, received at this office after the date of the last annual report, including \$63 36 cents omitted in that report, \$6.531 63

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By	accounts of the 4th	quarter	of 1830	200,287	25
2 10	accounts of the 1st	quarter	of 1831	109,499	52
	accounts of the 2d	quarter	of 1831	156,236	
	accounts of the 3d	quarter	of 1831	202,289	

674,844 50

Deposited during the year ending the 30th September, to the credit of the Treasurer of the United States.

4,498 72

679,343 22

Leaving to be accounted for

\$34,490 71

The accounts of fourteen officers remain to be received, which will probably reduce the balance reported about 10,000 dollars. The remainder will be applicable to the service of the present quarter; and the whole of it, I have no doubt, will be faithfully accounted for at the termination of the quarter.

The large amount of public property under the administration of the department, whether in the hands of its officers, or those of companies, is promptly and faithfully accounted for.

The balance remaining in the Treasury of the appropriation for the Quartermaster's Department proper, will, it is believed, be sufficient for the

wants of the service to the end of the year.

Of the works under the direction of the department, the road from Alagua to Marianna, in Florida, which was in progress at the date of my last annual report, has been completed as far as the appropriation would permit. It has not been practicable, however, with the limited means at the disposal of the department, to bestow any labor on the section lying between Oak Hill and Marianna, a distance of sixteen miles. The estimate submitted, for the repair of the road from Pensacola to Tallahassee, embraces an item for the completion of this section.

The amount appropriated for repairs on the road from Jacksonville to Alachua court-house, in Florida, has been applied to that object, as far as it would go; but it was found altogether inadequate to the completion of the work. The section lying between Jacksonville and Black creek, has been put in good repair; but nothing has been done on that between Black creek and Alachua, a distance of about fifty-five miles. I have submitted

an estimate for its completion.

The road authorized at the last session of Congress, from Washington to Jackson, in Arkansas Territory, has been put under contract, within the amount appropriated for that object, and will be completed early in the

next year

There was reason to believe that the military road in the State of Maine, would have been finished during the present year; but the unusual wetness of the season has so retarded the operations of the contractors, as to prevent the completion of this work. It is, however, so far advanced as to answer every purpose of a winter road, to the military post at Houlton, and materially reduce the expense of transporting supplies.

In consequence of the reduction of the force at Green bay, and the employment of the garrison at fort Winnebago, in the erection of barracks, the road authorized between those places has not been commenced. The necessary arrangements will be completed during the winter, and this ob-

ject will receive early attention on the opening of the next season.

The barracks authorized at fortress Monroe, and fort Gratiot, have been completed during the present year. Those at fort Crawford and fort Winnebago, which were in progress at the date of my last annual report, have been advanced as far as the available means would permit; but further appropriations will be required to complete them on the enlarged plan necessary to accommodate the increased garrisons which have been assigned to those

posts.

The barracks authorized at Green bay and Key West are in progress. The appropriation made for the former, with, it is believed, be sufficient for their completion. For the latter, a further appropriation will be required. The island being entirely destitute of military resources, every article of supply is necessarily obtained from abroad, which materially increases the ordinary expenses of such operations. Besides, the extreme heat of the climate, and the apprehended unhealthiness of the position, render more extensive accommodations necessary than are provided, under ordinary circumstances.

Operations were resumed at the Delaware breakwater, early in April; and, on the 30th of September, 81,791 perches of stone had been deposited which, added to 135,079 perches deposited in the years 1829 and '30; makes the quantity deposited to that date 216,870 perches.

The work was estimated by the commissioners, who located it, to cost

2,216,950 dollars.

priation.

The appropriations already made amount to 620,000 dollars, viz:

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Of which there was expended by the
Navy Department, previous to the
transfer to this department, - 13,768 76

From which is to be deducted, the proceeds of property sold, which had been purchased previous to the

transfer, - - 2,964 40 10,804 36

Disbursements by the Quartermaster's Dep. in 1829 64,229 43

Do do do in 1830 274,170 15 Do do do in 1831

to 30th September, 175,315 32

the many that is the strength of the military result of the factor of the

Leaving a balance on the 30th September, of

Of that balance there was in the hands of the Quartermaster at Philadelphia, - 4,512 24

And in the Treastry, - - 90,968 50

\$95,480 74

The whole of which will be required to meet the engagements of the department in the 4th quarter of the year.

For the next year, I have estimated for \$270,000, and it is extremely desirable that that sum be obtained; for the contingent expenses of the work are heavy, and are about the same whether we have a large or a small appro-

Our operations have been confined during the whole of the present season to that branch of the work called the breakwater, in contradistinction of the icebreaker; from its western extremity, for a distance of more than two hundred feet, it has been raised nearly to its destined heighth: the material used above the plane of the lowest water, as well as on the outward slope, is of the largest class received, and has been put up in the most compact manner.

For more than six hundred feet in addition, this branch of the work has been raised above the plane of low water, and stone has been deposited on a base extending feet further.

A large quantity of stone in blocks, weighing from one to five tons each, will be required next year for the sea slope and the summit of the work; and

we ought to deposit at least 70,000 perches of the ordinary stone. If the contract system were abandoned, and individuals owning quarries could be assured that all the stone they should deliver at the breakwater another season would be received at a fair price, as much as we could deposit would be readily obtained.

Notice should be given early in December, so that those disposed to furnish stone might have time to engage vessels and make the other prepara-

tions necessary to commence business early in the spring.

The want of quarters at the work sufficient for the laborers and other persons employed, has been a serious inconvenience. One or two vessels anchored near it, and used as quarters, would be the means of saving much time, and would place the men more immediately under the control of the officers. Such a measure would not have been advisable heretofere from the uncertainty of adequate protection to the vessels in the event of storms; but the work is now so far advanced that no fears are entertained for the future.

So far as the experience of the two last seasons can be relied on as a test of the stability of the work, there is abundant reason for believing that it will have sufficient strength to resist the action of the ocean even when agitated by the severest tempests; and its advantages as a harbor may be inferred from the shelter it has already afforded, during storms, to vessels employed in transporting stone, as well as those engaged in commerce. Instances have occurred of vessels after parting their cables at their usual anchoring ground having been moored behind the breakwater, where they remained in perfect security during the most violent gales.

The work in its present condition, without permanent lights, presents some danger to vessels approaching it at night. There are several lighted vessels in the Delaware, under the direction of the Treasury Department, which are removed to Philadelphia during the winter. It would be a great accommodation to the commercial community, if one of them were moored behind the breakwater during that season. In addition to the security which it would afford to vessels as a signal, it would answer the valuable purpose of

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demonstrating the advantages of the work.

I have the honor to be, sir,
Your obedient servant,
TH. S. JESUP,

Quartermaster General.

The Hon. Lewis Cass,
Secretary of War.

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REPORT OF THE PAYMASTER GENERAL.

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PAYMASTER GENERAL'S OFFICE, Washington City, November 30, 1831.

Sin: I have the honor, herewith, to submit a tabular statement of funds advanced to the several paymasters, between the 1st of October, 1830, and the 30th of September, 1831; amounting to one million one hundred and seventy-three thousand six hundred and sixty-one dollars and fifty cents. Of this sum, \$1,147,879 87 cents have been accounted for, leaving \$25,781

63 cents to be accounted for hereafter.

The order of the War Department of the 4th of April last, altering the districts, and changing the stations of paymasters, has produced delay in the payment of some distant posts, as was foreseen and pointed out in my letter to the Secretary of War of the 8th of April. The order was repealed on the 16th of June following, too late to change the arrangements the department was required to make on the 1st of that month, to carry it into operation. Owing to this, and to the death of paymaster Biddle, the troops at forts Howard and Winnebago are reported to have pay due from the 1st of May. As soon as it was ascertained that the arrangements to pay at these posts had failed, paymaster Phillips was ordered to perform that service. He reports his intention to leave St. Louis on the 13th instant, and, if it be possible to perform the journey at this inclement season, will pay to the 1st of this month before the year closes.

With the exceptions of the two posts just named, the troops are paid to as late a period as could be expected; and, I have every reason to believe, that all funds advanced prior to the lst of October will be accounted for before

the close of the year, without loss to the Government.

In printing the report made to Congress last session by the late Secretary of War, a typographical error was committed, by which the transportation for the payment of one post is represented to cost the Government \$8,000. As this is given as data to calculate what might be saved in that article by the proposed change in the organization of this department, it is important that the error be corrected. I have therefore obtained from the 3d Auditor, a statement of what was actually paid for the entire transportation of the department in the year 1830, amounting to \$6,041 66, or \$111 88 cents for each post, including arsenals. This may be considered a fair average of the annual cost. In connection with this subject, it may not be improper to state the following facts, to show how far the present organization has answered the object for which the department was created.

Within the last eight years, upwards of nine millions of dollars have been disbursed by the department, in small sums, without the loss of one cent to the Government, and without having to resort to a single coercive measure to compel a more prompt settlement of accounts. This service has

cost the Government but little more than the minimum per cent (allowed for accountability alone) on all other military disbursements, in addition to the pay, emoluments, and expenses of the officers.

Respectfully, your ob't servant,

N. TOWSON, Paymaster General.

To the Hon. LEWIS CASS, Secretary of War.

STATEMENT of the moneys drawn from the appropriations for the Pay Department, and remitted to the disbursing officers on account of payments for the fourth quarter of the year 1830, and the three first quarters of 1831; the amount unexpended, and forming part of their estimates for the fourth quarter of 1831; the balances to be accounted for; the periods to which the troops have been paid, and accounts rendered.

	Amount of fu	Amount of funds remitted in the fourth quarter of 1830, and the three first quarters of 1831.				Amount unexpended, and forming part of their estimates for the fourth quarter of 1831.					
PAYMASTERS.	Pay and Subsistence.	Forage.	Clothing of Servants.	Bounties.	Amount.	Pay and Subsistence.	Forage.	Clothing Servants.	Bounties	Amount.	
Thomas Wright Asher Phillips Alphonso Wetmore Benjamin F. Larned David S. Townsend Charles B. Tallmadge Daniel Randall Charles H Smith	34,530 00 81,080 46,100 53,280 80,658 157,559 70,524 64,858 83,170	390 00 1,370 850 2,400 1,420 4,350 2,070 1,122 1,400	400 00 1,050 550 1,150 720 1,500 1,334 1,560 1,130	380, 00 100 170 702 1,772 420 200	\$5,700 00 83 600 47,500 57,000 83,500 163,400 75,700 67,900 85,900	7,592 79 1,722 24 4,685 32 4,324 32 3,545 99				7,592 79 1,722 24 4,685 32 4,324 32 3,545 99	
Thomas Biddle A. A., Massias F. P. Andrews Edmund Kirby Lewis G. De Russy Wilkiam Piatt Thomas S. Leslie F. D. Newcomb	48,097 145,430 50,761 48,018 27,670 137,324 2,661 50	1,704 1,900 1,234 692 500 1,112	899 1,200 1,020 290 390 1,010	300 470 385 240 154	51,000 149,000 53,400 49,000 28,800 139,600 2,661 50	6,315 81 6,185 35	.92 14	148 95	330 00	6,315 81 6,756 44	
Dollars, -	1,131,711 50	22,514 00	14,143 00	5,293 00	1,173,661 50	\$4,371 82	92 14	148 95	330 00	34,942 91	

	Baland	ces remain	ing to be a	ccount	ed for.	Periods to which the troops	REMARKS.		
PAYMASTERS, 3	Pay and Subsistence.			Clothing Servants.		have been paid, and accounts rendered.			
Thomas Wright Asher Phillips Alphonso W tmore Benjamin F Larned David S. Townsend Charles B. Tallmadge Daniel Randall Charles H Smith Phomas Biddle A. A. Massias T. P. Andrews Edmund Kirby Lewis G. Be Russy William Platt Thomas S. Leslie F. D. Newcomb	1 3-6	200 00 - 100 00 - 300 00	150 00		9,981 34 15,523 79 231 45 45 05 25,781 63	1st September, 1st July, 1s May and 1st September, 1st September. 1st November. 1st September. 1st September. 1st May and 1st July, 1st September. 1st November. 1st November. 1st November. 1st September.	Balance of \$1,034 76, due paymaster. Ordered to pay Buddle's disfrict. The troops on the Arkansas receive but two payments in the year to wit, after the April and October mus ters. Dead. Balance acknowledged to be due the Government; refunded to the Treasury. Accounts for July and August not ye received.		

PAYMASTER GENERAL'S OFFICE,
WASHINGTON, November 30, 1831
N. TOWSON, P. M. G

REPORT FROM THE ORDNANCE DEPARTMENT.

ORDNANCE OFFICE, Washington, November 21st, 1831.

Sir: In compliance with your instructions of the 20th August last, I have the honor to submit, herewith, a general report of the operations of this de-

partment.

Statement A, exhibits an account of all public moneys remitted from the Treasury, through this office, to disbursing officers and contractors, in the year 1830; the amount expended and accounted for by these officers, and the balances unexpended and remaining in their hands on the 31st December, 1830.

It will appear from this statement, that the remittances during the year - \$938,727 56 1830, amounted to -

That during the same period, the accounts rendered and set-

tled amounted to - 893,877 30

And that the balances remaining unexpended in the hands of disbursing officers on the 31st December, 1830, amounted to

44,850 26 Statement B, exhibits the total amount of funds remitted to

disbursing officers of this department, and to contractors, during the three first quarters of the present year. It will therein appear that the amount remitted during that period was

625,123 10 And that the accounts rendered amounted to 568,500 01

Leaving an unexpended balance in the hands of disbursing

officers on the 30th September, 1831, of 56,623 09

Statement C, exhibits an account of some of the principal articles manufactured and repaired at the several arsenals and armories, in the year ending with the 30th of September, 1831. By this it will be seen, that 110 gun carriages and equipments, 997 holsters, and about 850 sets of accoutrements for small arms, have been made at the arsenals; that 16,741 small arms have been cleaned and repaired; and that 26,481 muskets and their appendages, have been manufactured at the national armories.

Statement D, exhibits an account of the artillery, small arms, accountrements, and other ordnance stores, issued by this department, to the army and marine corps of the United States, during the year ending with the 30th September, 1831. In this it will appear that 34 field gun carriages, 33 field guns, 2,209 muskets, complete, and about 700 sets of accoutrements for

small arms, are among the principal articles issued.

Statement E, exhibits an account of the arms, accoutrements, artillery, artillery equipments procured, and of the expenditures made under the act of 1808, for arming and equipping the militia, during the year ending with the 30th September, 1831.

By which it will appear, among other articles, that the artillery procured amounted to 58 6-pdr. cannon, 103 field carriages with equipments complete; 150 sets of timber for gun carriages; and that the number of small arms procured, amounted to 10,230 stands of muskets and rifles. The

amount expended for this object being \$181,940 20.

Statement F, is an apportionment of arms to the militia of the several States and Territories, and of the District of Columbia, for the year 1830, showing also, the quantity of arms and military equipments distributed to the militia from the first of October, 1830, to the 30th September, 1831.

Statement G, exhibits a general account of the public lead mines from 1821, to the 30th September, 1831, a period embracing the whole time during which they have been in charge of this department. It will appear by this statement, that the whole productive amount of the lead mines while in charge of this department up to the 30th September, 1831, has been 51,622,072 pounds.

Statement H, exhibits a detailed account of the operations of the lead mines during the year ending with the 30th of September, 1831, by which it will be seen that the total amount of lead manufactured during that period

has been 6,449,080 pounds.

I have the honor to be, sir, Respectfully, your obt. servt.

G. BOMFORD, But. Col. on Ordnance service.

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The Hon. Lewis Cass, Secretary of War.

STATEMENT of the money expended through

	AMOUNT OF	SUMS REMITTE	D. INCLUDING T	HE BALANCES					
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Rome, N. Y.		1 700 00	-						
Major R. L. Baker, Arsenal, Al-	1.0	7,619 27	8 188 23	- ' -					
leghany, Pa Capt. C. Mellon, Arsenal, Frank-	- 1	1,013 21	0,100 25						
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Colonel J. Bankhead, Arsenal,									
Pikesville, Md.	- 1	977 22	-	250 00					
Lieut. J. Symington, Arsenal,	1 852 69	11 704 07	# 96# CO	419 42					
Washington City, Col. A. S. Brooks and Lieut. J.	1,032 09	11,784.97	7,365 62	413 42					
Williamson, Arsenal, Bellona,			1	. 100					
Virginia,	5	6,327 84	-LT-	106 08					
Col. A. C. W. Fanning, Arsenal,			William .						
Augusta, Ga.	4	4,370 06	1,084 73	-					
Lieut. M. Thomas, Arsenal, St.	100	2,236 52	17,370 10	2,411 40					
Lt. W. Wheelwright, do do	150	2,800 00	850 00	2,711 10					
Lt. W Smith, Arsenal, Mount		2,000 00	000 00						
Vernon, Ala	-	NO 2	47,572 00	un "					
Lt. R. Anderson, Arsenal, Baton	1 1 3	# 000 OF	4 000 00						
Rouge, La Capt. J. Perkins and Lieut. J.	-	5,063 05	4,000 00						
Howard, Depot, Detroit, M.T.	-	688 21							
Lieut. S. Ringgold and Capt. S.									
Perkins, Depot, New York, -	-	1,716 69	4	-					
Lt. W. H. Bell, Fortress Mon-	11	1 100 47	000 01	0 *** 10					
D. S. Gaillard, Depot, Charles.		1,183 47	226 31	9,554 48					
ton. S. C	-	46 24		15 34					
Capt. T. C. Legate, Lead Mines,									
Missouri, -		8,849 77		-					
Sundry contractors for cannot			1	110 000					
and small arms, Settlements on audited accounts	260 0	0 244 82	-	119,997 04					
Concesses on addition accounts		477 04		-					
Total.	- \$382,552 1	6 72 842 34	107,910 29	138,070 80					

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the Ordnance Department in the year 1830.

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207 644 64	2,650	14,000	9,300	2,757 33	938,727 56	893,877 30	44,850 26

GEO. BOMFORD, Bt. Col. on Ordnance service.

B.

STATEMENT of the money expended through the Ordnance Department, during the first, second, and third quarters of the year 1831.

STATIONS.	Amount transmit- ted in the 1st, 2d, & 3d quarters 1831, and remaining in of- cers' hands at the close of the year 1830.	counts rendered the 1st, 2d, and quarters of the	ed in	cers' hands	offi-
Armory Springfield, Mass	\$149,881 15	\$144.779	11	\$5,103	04
Do. Harper's Ferry, Va	149,566 93	\$144,778 133,051		16,514	
Arsenal Kennebec, Maine -	6,071 34	5,901		169	
Do. Watertown, Mass	1,629 03	1,565		63	
Do. Champlain, Vt.	1,214 39	689		524	
Do. Watervliet, N. Y	39,617 03	28,549		11,067	
Do. Rome, N. Y.	1,900 00	1,895			74
Do. Alleghany, Pa	26,427 66	18,075		8,352	
Do. Frankford, Pa	5,215 09	4,424		790	
Do. Pikesville, Md	1,040 00	897		142	
Do. Washington City -	21,429 36	16,844		4,584	
Do. Bellona, Virginia -	4,073 02	3,924		148	
Do. Augusta, Georgia -	3,851 34	3,779		72	
Do. Mount Vernon, Al	30,676 89	27,790		2,886	0
Do. Baton Rouge, La	5,111 62	3,600	69	1,510	
Do. St. Louis, Missouri -	15,275 18	12,773		2,501	35
Depot Detroit, M. T.	1,200 00	719		480	99
Do. New York	1,465 91	1,249	01	216	90
Do. Charleston, S. C.	217 94	129	25	88	69
Fortress Monroe, Va.	5,804 05	4,938	13	865	92
Lead Mines	4,368 57	3,834	42	534	1
Sundry contractors for cannon and small arms - Sundry payments on audited	146.537 34	146,537	34	11.60	
accounts -	2,549 26	2,549	26		
Total,	\$625,123 10	\$568,500	01	\$56,623	0

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STATEMENT of work done, and articles procured, at the Arsenals and Armories of the United States, from the 1st of October, 1830, to the 30th September, 1831.

26,510	Muskets complete.
331	Cadet muskets.
17,837	Screw drivers.
17,898	Wipers.
1,652	Ball screws.
1,695	Spring vices.
36,496	Flint caps.
26,510 331 17,837 17,898 1,652 1,695 36,496 1,661 900	Arm chests.
900	Cartridge box belts.
3,300 900	Bayonet scabbards.
900	Do. belts.
	Belt plates.
1,596 1,391 997 890	Cavalry cartridge boxes.
997	Holsters.
890	Sabre belts.
781	Sword belts.
20 1	Sword scabbards.
103	6-pounder field carriages, with equipments, complete.
4	24-pounder casemate carriages, complete.
1 03	10-inch mortar beds.
31	Rammers and sponges.
114	Ladles and worms.
4	Sponges. Percussion locks.
6 1	
6 746	Do. primers.
235	Brass nave boxes.
2.874	Cannon wads.
78	Lacker for cannon gallons.

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19,324	Priming tubes.	Page 1
ped -	Hand cart.	
-	Sling cart.	
col	Wagons.	
4	Tompions.	
30	Sets artillery harness.	
33	Ammunition kegs.	
344303314247016695543940	Musket cartridges.	1-11
1669	Cannon do.	×
5543	Cartridge bags, flannel.	HADE
-	Port fires.	AND PROCURED.
117	Rifle bullets, lbs.	PROC
2617	Musket bullets, lbs.	TRED
394	6-pounder canister shot.	16
394 10,119	6-pounder cannon balls.	11.
267	6-pounder tin canisters.	
439	Shot blocks.	1
63	Copper powder measures.	
	Sets of timber for 6-pounder field carriages.	The second
75	Sets of timber for 24-pounder casemate carriages.	
15075 6416 9716	Muskets.	I
9716	Muskets cleaned and oiled.	
537	Rifles.	
44 28	Pistols.	
28	Swords and sabres.	
	Cannon and howitzers cleaned and lackered.	
580 1230 13	Cannon balls do.	REPAIRED
13	6-pounder carriages painted and repaired.	18.1
	12-pounder carriages do. do.	- 0
636	3-pounder do. do.	
10	Sling carls do.	-
pad	Wagons do.	_
68	Ammunition chests.	
co	Port-fire locks.	
රා	Linstocks.	3 /4
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1 20	12-pounder iron cannon.
0	12-pounder-field carriages, complete.
329	6-pounder iron cannon.
29	6-pounder field-carriages, complete.
1 -	24-pounder howitzer.
	1 24-pounder howitzer carriage, complete.
1	6-pounder caisson.
1 3	Sponges and rammers.
122	Sponges for cannon.
1 -	Sponge covers.
1 10 27 10 42	Sheep skins for sponges.
-0	l l
1,000	Sponge tacks.
985	Port-fires.
1,000 985 7,85044	Tubes filled,
44	Bricoles.
12	Prolongs.
4	Gunners belts, complete.
	Powder horns.
4 10 12	Tarpaulins for guns.
-	Linstocks.
	Port-fire stocks.
12 148 12 64 50	Slow match, lbs.
- 8	Gunners' haversacks.
2	
4	Twine, lbs.
0	Flax, lbs.
50	Tow, lbs.
21	Bees wax, lbs.
_ Cr	Magazine lanterns.
2	Gins falls and handspikes.
20	Ladles and worms.
00	Tompions.
6	Lead aprons.
	Sponge and tar buckets.
614	Drag-ropes.
300	6-pounder cannon balls.
200	12-pounder cannon balls.
400	12-pounder strapped shot.
200	12-pounder canister shot.
800	6-pounder strapped shot, fixed.
850	6-pounder canister shot, fixed.
200	6-pounder tin canisters.
200	6-pounder shot blocks.

200	6-pounder bage for grape shot.
100	24-pounder shells.
100	10-inch shells.
	Sets artillery harness.
8 1,878	Muskets—complete.
331	Cadet muskets.
	Artillery swords.
64	Sergeant and musicians' swords.
781	Cartridge boxes.
6 64 781 422 845	Cartridge box belts.
845	Bayonet scabbards.
717	Do. belts.
503	Brushes and picks.
288	Gun slings.
	Sword belts.
25	Hall's rifles.
83	Wipers.
146	Screw drivers.
75	Ball screws.
22	Spring vices.
82583 146752220,960 7,800 1,150	Musket flints.
7,800	Cannon powder, lbs.
1,150	Musket do lbs.
500	Rifle do lbs.
750	Cannon cartridges.
129,400	Musket ball cartridges.
400 55,000 4,80	Do blank do.
4,800	Cartridge bags, flannel

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200	Rifle bullets, lbs.
50	Signal rockets.
200	Refined sulphur, lbs.
184	Pulverized charcoal, lbs.
125	Refined nitre, lbs.
50	Antimony, lbs.
15	Camphor, lbs.
10	Glue, lbs.
10	Chalk, lbs.
650	Flannel, yards.
700	Cannon catridge, rocket, and port-fire paper, lbs.
-	Barrel of pitch.
100	Rosin, lbs.
426	Paints, assorted, lbs.
6	Putty, lbs.
31	Spirits of turpentine, gallons.
65	Linseed and neatsfoot oil, gallons.
39	Lacker for cannon, gallons.
31	Paint brushes, assorted.
30	Composition brushes, assorted.
10	Alcohol, gallons.
Sī	Sides of harness leather.
-	Chest of carpenter's tools.
89	Copper hammers.
30	Do adzes.
22	Do dippers.
_	Do drivers.
6	Do pans.
15	Do funnels.
00	Do powder measures.
4	Fuse drifts.
	Do chargers.
8 30 36	Do and rocket mallets.
36	Laboratory knives.
A	Iron squares.

E.

STATEMENT of the arms, accourtements, &c. procured, and of the penditures made, under the act for arming and equipping the Militia, from the 1st October, 1830, to the 30th September, 1831.

ARMS, &c. PROCURED.

Muskets complete.	Rifles, (Hall's.)	Cartridge box-belts.	Bayonet, scabbards, and belts.	Sword and sabre belts.	Belt plates.	Holsters.	Cavalry cartridges, boxes.	6-pounder iron cannon.	6-pounder cannon balls.	6-pounder field carriages, with equip- ments complete.	10-inch mortar beds.	Sets of timber for 6-pounder carriages.	Sets of artillery harness.
9,030	1,200	900	900	1,671	1,596	997	1,391	58	2,928	103	2	150	20

EXPENDITURES, VIZ:

Amount paid for arms, &c. - - Do. do. for inspection, packing hoves, s

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do. for inspection, packing boxes, storage, and distribution to the States and Territories

7,008 97

Dollars, 181,940 20

ORDNANCE OFFICE,

Washington, November 21, 1831.

G. BOMFORD, Brevet Col. on Ordnance service.

F.

APPORTIONMENT of arms to the Militia, for the year 1830, under the act of 1808, for arming and equipping the whole body of the Militia.

STATES AND TERRITORI	ES.	Date of the re- turn.	Number of militia.	Number of arms appor- tioned.	Remarks.
Maine -		1829	41,136	489	
New Hampshire	-	1830	29,149	546	S. Marrie V.
Massachusetts -	-	1830	49,560	589	Property of the
Connecticut -	-	1830	24,893	296	Managarate 107
Rhode Island -	-	1830	9,600	114	
Vermont	-	1824	27,653	329	
New York -		1830	188,615	2,241	Appropriate spin 20 Miles
New Jersey -	-	1829	39,171	465	Second Court of All
Pennsylvania -	-	1828	177,741	2,112	S MEN THE PLANE
Delaware -	-	1814	7,451	89	S. Marille Del Miles
Maryland -	-	1830	46,113	548	THE THINK IN U.S.
Virginia -	-	1830	101,054	1,201	
North Carolina	-	1830	61,785	734	
South Carolina	-	1830	49,512	588	
Georgia -	1-	1827	39,056	464	
Kentucky -	-	1830	63,602	756	
Tennessee -	-	1830	60,887	724	
Ohio	-	1830	125,159	1,487	
Louisiana -	-	1829	14,808	176	
Indiana -	-	1829	40,000	475	
Mississippi -		1830	13,724	163	9
Illinois -	-	1823	8,521	101	
Alabama -	-	1829	30,000	357	
Missouri -	-	1830	7,838	- 93	
Michigan -	-	1822	1,503	18	
Arkansas -	-	1825	2,028	24	
Florida -		-		2	No return.
District of Columbia	-	1829	1,756	21	
Total		-	1,262,315	15,000	
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STATEMENT F .- Continued.

STATEMENT of the arms and military equipments distributed to the Militia, from the 1st October, 1830, to the 30th September, 1831.

1 5½ inch brass mortar.

47 6-pounder iron cannon, with carriages and equipments complete

14 6-pounder caissons.

20 sets artillery harness.

22,575 muskets complete.

6,463 rifles

do.

2,913 pistols

do.

821 artillery swords.

100 non-commissioned officers' swords,

1,461 cavalry sabres.

1,263 sets rifle accoutrements.

7,020 sets infantry do.

1,261 sabre belts.

510 sword belts.

860 holsters.

840 cavalry cartridge boxes,

ORDNANCE OFFICE,

Washington, November 21, 1831,

G. BOMFORD, Bt. Col. on Ordnance service,

G.

STATEMENT of Lead made at United States' Lead Mines annually, from 1821 to the 30th September, 1831.

					Feyer River.	Missouri.	Total.
7.0000							
ounds of lead m	ade from 1821 to 30th Sept	ember, 1823			335,130		335,130
Do	for the year ending 30th	September,	1824	4	175,220		175,220
Do	do	do	1825	5	664,530	386,590	1,051,120
Do	do	do	1826		958,842	1,374,962	2,333,804
Do	do	do	1827	- 100	5,182,180	910,380	6,092,560
Do	do	de	1828	5 90	11,105 810	1,205,920	12,311,730
Do	do	do	1829		13,343,150	1,198,160	14,541,310
Do	do	do	1830		8,323,998	8,060	8,332,058
Do	đó	do	1831		6,381,900	67,180	6,449,080
			Total,		46,470,820	5,151,252	51,622,072

ORDNANCE DEPARTMENT, November 21st, 1831.

GEO. BOMFORD,

Brev. Col. on Ordnance service:

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THATEMENT of the operations of the United States' Lead Mines, in the vicinity of Fever river, and in Missouri, from 30th September, 1831.

The second of th	Fever river.	Missouri	Total,
Pounds of lead made, -	6,381,900	67,180	6,449,080
*Pounds of lead which have accrued as rent; - Rents remaining die 36th September, 1830, -	 319,095 124,736	3,359	322,454 124,736
Total rents due in the year ending 30th Sept. 1831 Pounds of lead received as rent in the year 1831,	 443,831 271,627	3,359	447,190 274,986
Rents remaining due 30th September, 1831, -	172,204	1	172,204

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GEO. BOMFORD, Brev. Col. on Ordnance service.

* Rents reduced from 10 to 5 per cent. on the amount of lead made, by order of the Secretary of War, January 15th, 1830.

ORDNANCE OFFICE, Washington, October 28th, 1831.

Sin: I beg leave respectfully to submit to your consideration the propriety of a reorganization of this department at some period during the approaching session of Congress. The facts and reasons, going to show the importance and necessity of this measure, have been communicated to your predecessors on various occasions since the year 1827; and have, as constantly, received the attentive and favorable consideration of the Executive, and of the various military committees of the Senate and of the House of Representatives, to whom the subject has been referred.

Nor has the views of this department, as to the necessity of a more efficient organization, undergone any change since the date of my last report on this subject, to your immediate predecessor, a copy of which is herewith transmitted, accompanying the bill reported at the last session of Congress by the military committee of the House of Representatives, and which is therein referred to, as embodying the views of this department on the subject of the proposed reorganization.

Appended to the report herewith forwarded, is a statement of the additional expense which would arise under the provisions of the bill herein referred to, should it pass into a law; also a memorandum of the arsenals, depots, and other posts, where officers are employed on ordnance service, accompanied by a statement of the number and grades of officers now serving in this department.

I have the honor to be, sir,

Respectfully, your obedient servant,

GEO. BOMFORD, But. Col.

on Ordnance service.

The Hon. Lewis Cass, Secretary of War. Ordnance Office,
Washington, November 30th, 1830.

Sin: In compliance with your instructions, to report on the resolution of the House of Representatives, dated April 26th, 1830, I have the honor to

submit the following remarks.

The propositions contained in the resolution refer to the line of the army, and to all the several departments of the military service. It has, however, been considered proper to limit this report to such matters as concern the Ordnance Department alone, for the reason that the officers who are charged with the direction of the other branches of service; are much better prepared, by experience and merited distinction, to report on all those points

which concern their respective departments.

In reference to the question, "whether any reduction in the number of officers in the army of the United States can be made without injury to the public service," I have the honor to state, that by the present laws no more than four officers are specially provided for the performance of ordnance duties, viz: the four supernumerary captains of the artillery regiments. For any additional officers which the ordnance service may require, a contingent provision is made in the law, by giving to the President of the United States authority to detach from the regiments of artillery such number as may be necessary for this service.

The officers who serve in the Ordnance Department, and who may be considered as composing it, consist of the four captains provided by law, and such others as may, from time to time, be detailed from the artiflery. The number of the latter is not prescribed by law or by regulation, and is not constant, but varying according to the necessities of the service, and is generally about thirty. But whether this number be large or small, it has no effect to increase or diminish the whole number in service, as the change

is effected by a mere transfer from one branch of service to another.

The entire abolition of the department would, therefore, make the mili-

tary establishment consist of only four officers less than at present.

In order that an opinion may be formed of the number of officers required for the performance of ordnance duties, it appears to be proper that the character, extent, and responsibility of those duties should be briefly stated.

The duties are defined by law, and consist in providing, preserving, distributing, and accounting for every description of artillery, small arms, and all the munitions which may be required for the fortresses of the country, the armies in the field, and for the whole body of the militia of the Union. In these duties are comprised that of determining the general principles of construction, and of prescribing, in detail, the models and forms of all military weapons employed in war. They comprise, also, the duty of prescribing the regulations for the proof and inspection of all these weapons, for maintaining uniformity and economy in their fabrication, for ensuring their good quality, and for their preservation and distribution.

The extent of these duties may be perceived by referring to the fact, that for carrying into effect the general purposes here stated, Congress has appropriated, for many years past, nearly one million of dollars per annum. And that, in order to fulfil these purposes, extensive operations are conducted at the following establishments, viz: two national armories, nine private armories, four cannon founderies, fourteen national armories, four ordnance depots, and an extensive region of public lead mines. These

establishments are situated in the different parts of the Union, and they employment than one thousand men, consisting chiefly of artificers and mentalises. They are all conducted under the general supervision, and (with the exception of the private armories,) under the immediate and special di-

rection of the Ordnance Department.

To this brief outline of the character and extent of ordnance duties, it seems proper to add a few remarks on the responsibilities which are involved in their proper discharge. These are, in some material respects peculiar to this branch of service alone, and do not exist in any other branch of the military service. The appropriations for the ordnance service are applied to the productions of arms and other military supplies of a durable character, which are stored in depot for future service, and are reserved to meet the future exigencies and defence of the country. They are not consumed and extinguished in the current service of the day, like most of those which are obtained by the expenditures of other branches of the military establishment. The value of ordnance supplies now in depot, which have been accumulated under former appropriations, exceeds eleven million dollars, and the value is constantly augmenting at the rate of nearly one million dollars per annum. This branch of service is therefore responsible that all the various munitions of war are provided in due proportion to the wants of the service, and are constructed on the most approved models and of suitable quality; that the whole body of the militia be efficiently armed and equipped to the fullest extent of the means appropriated to that object; that large annual disbursements be faithfully made and promptly accounted for; that they be applied to authorized purposes, and no other, and that they produce a just and substantial equivalent, in military supplies, of enduring value to the country, and that the accumulating product of these expenditures be securely preserved and duly accounted for.

From this brief statement of ordnance duties, it will be perceived that a greater number than four officers is necessary for the performance of them. And as this number is all which the ordnance service adds to the aggregate of the whole military establishment, it follows that it cannot be reduced without injury to the service. A reduction of the number of officers serving in the Ordnance Department, by details from the regiments, would not lessen, in any degree, the aggregate of the army, and is, therefore, considered as not being within the scope of the inquiry contained in the reso-

lution.

But, as it is necessary that a considerable number of officers should always be detached from their regiments for ordnance service, it is also necessary that those regiments should possess an excess, in order to be able to supply this demand without deranging the regimental service. The regiments of artillery, from which alone officers for ordnance service can now be drawn, are provided with five officers for each company, while the infantry companies, consisting of nearly the same number of men, are provided with three only. This excess in the artillery regiments was provided expressly for the purpose of enabling them to furnish the details for ordnance service, as appears by the plan reported by the Secretary of War on the 12th December, 1820, in pursuance of an order of the House of Representatives. This report is published in State papers, Vol. 1st, 2d session, 16th Congress, document No. 21. It stated that the number of officers allotted to each company of artillery was greater than the regimental service required.

A reduction in the artillery regiments, to an extent equal to the number

usually detached from them for ordnance service, and a permanent assignment to the latter of an equal number, it is believed, would be advantageous to both branches of service. A measure of this kind would leave four officers in each company for regimental duties, and would provide a sufficient number for ordnance service.

In reference to that clause of the resolution which calls for "a plan of the most efficient organization of the army," I beg leave to state, that so much of the present organization of the army as provides for the ordnance service, is considered defective; and the public interests require that a more efficient

system should be provided for this branch of service.

The principle on which the present system rests, that of furnishing officers for ordnance service by temporary details from the regiments, is inapplicable to duties of that character, more especially to such of them as are performed by senior officers, who direct and control the most important part of them. From the general character of these duties, as described in a former part of this report, it may be readily perceived that experienced officers are necessary for their proper performance. They differ from those which are practised in other branches of service. No other department is charged with the duty of devising and determining the plans and models of military weapons; nor with the supervision of extensive mechanical operations and fabricating establishments. No other performs any duties in immediate connexion with, or for promoting the efficiency of the whole body of the militia; and none other is charged with the care and preservation of a vast amount of munitions of war; the responsibility of the ordnance, in this respect, being greater than that of all the other departments united. It is, besides, the only department, except the engineer, whose duties are but little effected by any change from peace to war, or from war to peace, whose services have no immediate connexion with the line of the army; and whose duties would remain the same whether the peace establishment be large or small, or be entirely abolished. From the peculiarities of this service, the experience acquired in other branches can be of little avail in this; yet by the present system, its duties are required to be performed solely by officers detached for short periods from the regiments. And since 1821, when this system was adopted, these duties, which include a disbursement of more than seven million dollars, have been distributed among one hundred and sixty different officers, a large portion of whom were, necessarily, without previous experience in them.

The embarrassments incident to these fluctuating changes, may be exemplified by relating those which occurred at a single post in one quarter of a year. Soon after the commencement of a quarter, the proper commander transferred to his successor the balance of public funds, and the military stores on hand, and left the arsenal. Funds for the current service of the quarter were transmitted to the second commander, but did not reach him until he also had departed, and was four hundred miles distant. The third commander also left the post, and placed it under the charge of the surgeon, who, in his turn, was relieved by a fifth. Funds were again transmitted, the former having been repaid into the Treasury; but before they reached the post, the fifth commander to whom they were sent, had been superseded by a sixth, and the quarter had expired, leaving the workmen employed at the post unpaid. These changes were all unknown to the department, which is charged with directing the services of the post, and is responsible for them

until after each had occurred.

The several departments for subsistings clothing, paying, healing, quartering, and transporting the army, and for constructing the military defences of the country, have each a separate and stable organization. The department for arming them alone remains subject to the fluctuations and embarrassments of an unstable system. Experience has fully demonstrated the wisdom of the laws which gave stability to the other departments, and an extension of the same principle to the ordinance service, would doubtless prove alike beneficial.

Plans for a more efficient organization of the ordnance, on a basis similar to that of other departments, have, at different times, been submitted, and have received the consideration of the proper committees of Congress, who have uniformly sanctioned them, by reporting bills for carrying them into effect. One of the bills thus reported passed one House, but was laid over at the close of the session in the other, for want of time to act upon it.

The bill reported by the Committee on Military Affairs of the House of Representatives at the last session, (No. 77,) contains all the provisions which are considered essential for giving to this branch of service an efficient organization. It is believed, however, that some additional provisions would be found useful. I beg leave, therefore, respectfully to suggest, that provision be made for appointing one sergeant for each military post, whose duty it should be to receive and preserve the ordnance, arms, ammunition, and other military stores at the post; and, under the direction of the commander, to issue and account for the same, under such rules as shall be prescribed by the Secretary of War. It is suggested, also, that the appointments be made by the Secretary of War, from among those sergeants who have served in the army eight years, at least; four of which to have been served in the grade of non-commissioned officer; and who shall produce certificates of faithful service and good moral character, from their regimental and company commanders. It is also proposed, that the sergeants thus appointed shall receive five dollars per month, in addition to the pay which is, or may

be allowed to any company sergeant.

In reference to this proposition, it appears proper to state, by the 3d section of the act of March 30, 1814, provision was made for appointing a junior lieutenant of each company of artillery, a conductor of drtillery; whose duty it was made, to receive and account for all military stores furnished for the use of the company; for which service he was to be allowed ten dollars extra per month. The act of March, 1815, fixing the peace establishment, continued the provision. It was also continued in the act of April 20, 1818, which re-modelled the artillery. But as no such provision was contained in the act of March, 1821, which reduced the peace establishment, the office of conductor of artillery then ceased. And as the law was silent as to the performance of this duty, the army regulations have since confided it to the respective commanders of posts. This, however, has been found inconvenient in practice. It obliges the commanders to devote much of their time to the care and preservation of the military stores of the posts, and to making up the quarterly returns of them. This requires attention to numerous little details, which, in reference to the other and appropriate duties of a commander, are comparatively of minor importance. By relieving the commanders of posts from this duty, and confiding it specially to a subordinate, (subject, however, to the directions of the former,) whose attention would not be diverted from it by more important avocations, more personal attention could be given to the care and preservation of valuable military stores, and it is believed the duty would be better performed.

The plan suggested, that of appointing experienced and faithful sergeants to this duty, would present to the meritorious of that grade, an incentive to good conduct, and, at the same time, afford the means of rewarding it; and it is believed that the measure would have a beneficial influence upon the

rank and file of the army.

It should be observed, that this measure is proposed to be applicable to the forts or posts which are garrisoned by the troops, and not to extend to the arsenals. The care of the public stores at the latter is confided to ordnance officers; but no ordnance officers are stationed at garrisoned posts; nor do they exercise any immediate control of the military stores there deposited.

Respectfully submitted.

GEO. BOMFORD, Bv't. Col.

on Ordnance service.

To the Hon. J. H. EATON, Secretary of War.

A copy.
GEO. BOMFORD, Bt. Col. on Ordnance service.
October 28, 1831.

21st Congress, 1st Session.

January 6, 1830. Read twice, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Mr. Drayton, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported the following bill:

A bill providing for the organization of the Ordnance Department.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That from and after the passage of this act, the Ordnance Department shall consist of one colonel, one lieutenant colonel, two majors, and ten captains, and as many enlisted men as the public service may require, not exceeding two hundred and fifty.

Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the first section of the act, passed on the 8th Fedruary, 1815, entitled "An act for the better regulation of the Ordnance Department;" and so much of the second section of the act, entitled "An act to reduce and fix the military peace establishment of the United States," passed the 2d March, 1821, as provides for one supernumerary captain to each regiment of artillery to perform ordnance duty, and so much of the 4th section of the same act as merges the Ordnance Department in the artillery, and reduces the number of enlisted men, be, and the same are, hereby repealed: Provided, That nothing contained in this act, shall be so construed as to divest the President of the United States of authority to select from the regiments of artillery, such a number of lieutenants as may be necessary for the performance of the duties of the Ordnance Department.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That all officers and enlisted men authorized by this act, shall be subject to the rules and articles of war, and that the officers shall receive the pay and emoluments now allowed to officers

who perform ordnance duties.

PAY and emoluments of Artillery and Ordnance Officers, exclusive of double rations.

Artillery.	Colonel.	Lt. Col.	Major.	Captain.	1st Lieut.	2d Lieut.
Pay per month Subsistence Forage Servanta pay Do causistence Do clothing	\$75 00 36 50 32 00 10 00 *12 163 5 00	60 00 30 41 ³ 24 00 10 00 12 16 ³ 5 00	50 00 24 33 4 24 00 10 00 12 16 4 5 00	40 00 24 33 \frac{1}{3} 5 00 6 08 \frac{1}{3} 2 50	5 00	5 00
Total per month - Total per aunum -	170 663 2,048 00	141 58 2 1,699 00	125 50 1,506 00	77 91 3 935 00	67 91 3 815 00	62 913 755 00
Additional for ord- nance per annum	180 00	180 00	120 00	120 00	40.00	100 00
Total for ordnance	\$2,228 00	1,879 00	1,626 00	1,055 00	855 00	855 00

ESTIMATE of the additional expense which would be occasioned by the enactment of the bill herewith submitted.

The whole expense which would be ere viz:	ated by the enactmen	it of the bill,
For the pay of 1 Colonel,	- per annum,	\$2,228 00
Do 1 Lieut. Colonel, -	do -	1,879 00
Do 2 Majors, (each \$1,626,)	+ do -	3,252 00
Do 10 Captains, (each \$1,055,) do -	10,550 00
Total 14 officers.	Total expense,	\$17,909 00

ACTUAL expense of 14 officers, on account of service in the Ordnance Department.

For the pay of 4 captains of ordnance, (authorized by the law of March 2, 1821, fixing the military peace establishment,) each \$1,055 per annum,

For the pay of 10 officers of the line on account of ordnance service, and whose regular pay would not be effected by the bill, viz:

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1 Lieut. Colonel,	100	134716	11/16	per annu	m,	180	00
2 Majors, (each \$120,)	36/MC#75	0.042	3112	do	1411	240	00
3 Captains, (each \$120,)	medula in	1111	N DEST	do	150	360	00
2 1st Lieutenants, (each		MONTH TO	199466	do	128	80	00
2 2d do (each	\$100,)	EL168-043	11/2	do	900	200	00

Actual expense of these 14 officers on account of ordnance service, Whole expense which would be created by the provisions of the bill, - 17,909 00

Additional expense which would be created by the provisions of the bill, -\$12,629 00

MEMORANDUM of arsenals and other posts, where officers are employed on ordnance service.

ORDNANCE OFFICE, WASHINGTON.

Arsenals, viz:

Captains,

Brevet Captains, Lieutenants,

Total,

1 Watervliet, near Troy, New York, 2 Washington, District of Columbia, Principal arsenals, 3. 3 Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, 4 Augusta, Maine. 5 Watertown, Massachusetts, 6 Frankford, Pennsylvania, 7 Richmond, Virginia, Important arsenals, 8. 8 Augusta, Georgia, 9 Mount Vernon, Alabama, 10 Baton Rouge, Louisiana, 11 St. Louis, Missouri, 12 Vergennes, Vermont, 13 Rome, New York, 14 Detroit, Michigan Territory. Minor depots, 6. 15 New York harbour. 16 Pikesville, near Baltimore, Md., 17 Charleston, South Carolina, Fortress Monroe, Virginia, Galena, Illinois, number of posts, 19. An officer is employed at fortress Monroe, in conducting its armament. At Galena, an officer is engaged in superintending the United States' lead mines. Two officers are employed in inspecting ordnance at the foundries, which occupies a large portion of their time. They serve at arsenals also. Number and grades of officers now serving on ordnance duty. Lieut. Colonel. 1 Col. by Brevet. 2) One of these is a Brevet Colonel, and the other, Majors, a Brevet Lieut. Colonel.

Two of these are Brevet Lieutenant Colonels, and

four are Brevet Majors.

REPORT OF THE COMMISSARY GENERAL OF SUBSISTENCE

Office of the Com. Gen. of Subsistence, Washington, 30th November, 1831.

Sin: In conformity with your instructions of 20th August ult., I have the honor to present to your view a statement, in duplicate, of the moneys remitted and charged to contractors and the disbursing officers of the department, in the 1st, 2d, and 3d quarters of the year, amounting to \$252,443 31 To which is added, the amount due to them on the settlement

of their accounts, 735 51 Making an aggregate of - \$253,178 82 The sum accounted for is 232,257 31 Leaving an outstanding balance of -\$20,921 51 From which is to be deducted this sum charged to contractors. not as remittances out of the annual appropriation, but as the difference in the prices of provisions contracted for, and purchases made by agents of the department, and totally unconnected with the fiscal operations of 1831, 426 83 Leaving - \$20,494 64

Actually in the hands of the disbursing officers of the commissariat, at the expiration of the 3d, applicable to the expenditures of the 4th quarter of the year.

It is a source of great pleasure to state, that of the moneys charged and remitted during the period embraced, no loss whatever has been sustained by Government; and of 89 officers disbursing in the department, only three accounts from the most remote posts have not been received. There is no doubt, however, of their reaching the office in a few days: but it is believed, that if received, the result of the statement would not be materially affected.

Very respectfully, Your most ob't servant, GEO. GIBSON, C. G. S.

Hon. LEWIS CASS, Secretary of War. ITATEMENT exhibiting the moneys remitted to Contractors from the 1st of January to the 30th of September, 1831; the sums charged to them on account of failures; and the amounts accounted for by them; the balances in the hands of the disbursing officers of the Department, 31st of December, 1830; the moneys remitted to them in the 1st, 2d and 3d quarters of 1831; the sums charged to them on account of sales to officers on the frontier posts, sale of empty boxes, barrels, &c.; and the amounts accounted for by them for the same period; together with the balances in their possession at the expiration of the 3d quarter of the year.

Names.		NAMES. Balances on hand, 31st Dec 1830.				harged on count of failures, iles to of- icers, &c.				Accounted Balances due to Contractors, and tra Ass't Com's As 30th Sept'r 1831.		REMARKS.
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eremiah Brown,			-	1,663 19		1,663 19			16			
lunter Crane,	do	-	-	1,544 86		1,544 86						
. & H. Cotheal,	do	-	-	980 01	-	980 01	980 01					
lall, Shapter & Tupper,	do	-	-	2,332 16	11 63	2,343 79		S 1				
leon Hawkins,		-	-	14,741 71		15,137 76	15,390 92	253 16		V"		
lpheus Hyatt,	do	-	-	4,848 96		4,848 96	4,848 96					
. J. Huntington,	do	-	-	1,917 63		1,917 63						
Villiam & John James,	do	-	-	6,643 22	7 27	6,650 49	6,650 49			100		
ohnson & Wetmore,	do	-	-	1,310 00		1,310 00	1,310 00					
Kreps & Sloane,	do		-	15,442 65		15,442 65	15,442 65					
Kreps, Sloane & Rigden,	do	-	-	8,680 84		8,680 84						
Ramsey & Strader,	do	-	-	3,164 18		3,164 18	3,164 18	11	-			
Standart & Hamilton, Stapleton & Hughes,	do	-	-	3,254 43		3,254 43	3,254 43		- 19			
William Stewart,	do	-	•• \	3,155 73		3,155 73	3,155 73					
Joseph Gage Sise,	do	-	-	5,280 54	-	5,280 54	5,280 54					
Skinner, Hurd & Co.	do	-		2,567 21	-	2,567 21		100 100 9	-			
lesse Smith.	do	-	-	2,739 19		2,739 19		1 18				
Smith & Johnson,	do		-	959 61		959 61						
I. & W. Southgate,	do		1-15-4	661 62								
M. V. Thomson,	do	*	-	2,625 01		2,625 01						
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NAMES.	Balances on hand, 31st Dec. 1830.	Remitted.	Charged on account of failures, sales to of- ficers, &c.	Total charged.	Accounted for	Balances due to Con- tractors, and Ass't Com's 30th Sept's 1831.	tractors, and Ass't Com's	REMARKS.
Jeremiah A. Townsend, Contractor, Egbert W. Carson, Special Contr'r, Alexander Findley, John K. Graham, Gurdon Huntington, Reginald Kirkpatrick, John B. Lindsey, John B. Poter, John B. God John B. Lindsey, John B. God John B. Lindsey, John B. God John B. God John B. God John B. Babbitt, John B.	1,969 69 14 48 39 19 80 91 - 424 91 133 87 - 32 18 2,193 21	9,012 32 217 31 165 36 444 48 40 72 374 64 515 22 257 67 564 49 112 80 121 58 282 86 99 44 279 85 119 90 253 39 - 1,050 00 450 00 100 00 100 00 3,100 00 650 00 2,100 00	400 99 - 104 37 86 28 322 31 74 99 223 85 41 08 26 35	9,012 32 217 31 165 36 444 48 40 72 374 64 515 22 257 67 564 49 112 80 121 58 28 28 29 84 279 85 119 90 2,370 39 2,370 39 2,370 8 14 48 1,089 19 635 28 322 31 599 90 457 72 3,141 08 675 68	217 S1 165 S6 444 48 40 72 374 64 515 22 257 67 564 49 112 80 121 58 282 86 99 44 279 85 119 90 253 39 1,588 49 14 48 860 10 572 80 186 28 464 54 2,775 88 2,584 80 2,229 47	6 82	782 19 -229 09 62 48 -316 00 130 08 -365 20 91 55 305 29 1,202 64	Do. Do. Do. Do. Do.

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Major F. L. Dade, do	do		102 84	250 00	400 00	408 '09	407 75		34	Do.
Lieut. J. F. Davis,	do	-	*		408 09		708 63	17 45	rife	Do.
Bt. Capt. G. S. Drane,	do		33 68	650 00	7 50	691 18			241 39	Do.
Lieut. Justin Dimick,	do	-	197 93	1,066 72	96 08	1,360 73	1,119 34	- "		Do.
S. B. Dusenbury,	do	- 1	- 3	4,850 00	294.51	5,144 51	5,129 98	-		Do.
N. J. Eaton,	do	-	36 37	150 00	908 31	1,094 88	998 -03	- '	96 85	
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James Engle,	do	-	254 03	- 1	573 71	827 74	822 56	- 1	5 18	Do.
A. C. Fowler, do	do	-		200 00	621 62	821 62	847 62	26 00	-	Do.
J. S. Gallagher,	do	-	34 41	112 113	586 94	621.35	66 17	- 1	555 18	Do.
Bt. Capt. Geo. W. Gardiner,		-	12 71	850 00	37 56	887 57	967 77	80 21		Do.
Timothy Green,	do	-1	698 33	2,700 00	376 53	3,774 86	3,333.97	-	440 89	Do.
Lieut. J. K. Greenough, Act.		-	1,600 35	2,,00	634 79	2,235 14	2 235 14			Closed.
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Campbell Graham,				550 00	134 97	684 97	684 97			Closed.
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J. W. Harris,	do.		Francis Control	142 20	40 00	40 00	40 00			Closed.
Capt. E. L. Hawkins, do	do	-	, , ,	4 000 00		2:730 24	2,064 40	-	665 84	
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R. Holmes,	do	-	531 46	8,500 00	579 18	2,006 02		-	- 1	Closed.
A. P. Hooe,	do	-		1,165 57	840 45	2,000 02	2,006 02	CO 70		
Capt. H. Johnson, do		-	16 19	200 00	4 00	220 19	280 '97	60 78	4	Do.
Lieut. Louis T. Jamison,	qo	-	465 14	500 00	602 28	1,567 42	1,685 20	117 73	-	Disbursing.
Seth Johnson,	do	-	138 83	700 00	733 87	1,572 70	1,572 51	-	19	Due the U.S. on settlement
J. J. B. Kingsbury,	do	-	509 85		440 04	949 89	569 78	-	380 11	Disb. ac't 3d qr. not rec'd.
J. W. Kingsbury,	do	-	-	- 1	1,674 58	1,674 58	694 46	-	980 12	Do. do.
J. H. Lamotte, do	do	-	454 66	- 1	702 87	1,157 53	1,157 -53	-	12	Closed.
R. B. Lee, do		-	- 1	100 Q0	-	100 00	100 11	11	ne se	Due him on settlement.
John L. Engle,	do	-	37 56		-	37 56	37 56	- 1		Closed.
Capt. G. Loomis, do	-	-	106 31			106 31	106 31		SHOULD !	Do.
Bt. Capt. Allen Lowd.	do	-	368 30	900 00	305 53	1,573 83	1.744 61	170 78		Disbursing.
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Wm. M. Maitland, do	do		29 32	200 00	100 10	229 32	229 32	100		Do.
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Bt. Capt. C. S. Merchant.	do	-	90 27	200 00	696 36	786 63				Do.
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NAMES.	Balances on hand, 31st Dec, 1830.	Remitted.	Charged on account of failures, sales to officers, &c.	Charged.	Accounted for.	tractors, and Ass't Com's	Balances due by Con- tractors, and Ass't Com's 30th Sept'r 1831.	nemánys.
Lieut. W.R. Montgomery, Act. A.C.S. S. W. Moore, do do - P. L. Jones, do do - Alex. Johnston, do - L. N. Morris, do - P. D. Newcomb, do - J. E. Newell, do - G. J. Rains, do do - S. V. R. Ryan, do do - J. B. Scott, J. D. Searight, do - J. R. Stephenson, do - J. R. Stephenson, do - J. Symington, do do - J. P. Taylor, Gommissary, - A. Talcott, Act. A.C.S.	1,243 51 143 56 7,646 61 2,100 59 56 03 498 86 - 109 33 71 62 131 57 95 58 187 93 - 46 80 - 1 30	400 00 18 83 2,139 39 1,700 00 600 00 300 00 600 00 1,050 00 1,050 00	307 34 487 80 77 50 649 12 991 27 1,091 76 36 44 114, 26 381 12 2,687 21 9 16 116 18 634 79 890 39 2,454 33 70 20 180 25 88 57 11,892 57	487 80 477 50 18 83 792 68 10,777 27 3,192 35 1,736 35 1,736 29 379 98 300 00 2,687 21 109 33 71 62	487 80 457 44 18 83 618 41 10,040 14 3,117 89 989 41		454 99 20 06 174 27 737 13 74 46 747 03 454 10 191 31 229 35 47 35 688 14 4 33 487 80	Closed. Disbursing. Closed. Disbursing. Do. Do. Do ac't 3d qr. not rec'd Closed. Disbursing. Do ac't 3d qr. not rec'd Closed. Do. Do. Do. Disbursing. Due the U. S. on settlement Disbursing. Closed. Disbursing. Closed. Disbursing. Closed.
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RECAPITULATION.

Total amount charged, Balances due to Contractors and Assistant Commissaries on the settlement of their accounts,	\$252,443 31 735 51
Accounted for,	253,178 82 232,257 31
Deduct this sum charged to Contractors, not as advances or remittances, but as the difference because made by Agents of the Department to supply deficiencies,	etween the contract prices and the pur-
Leaving actual balance in the hands of the Assistant and Acting Assistant Commissaries to be accommissaries to be accommissaries to be accommissaries to be accommissaries to be accommissaries.	ounted for in the 4th quarter of 1831, - \$20,494 68

Office of the Commissary General of Subsistence, Washington, November 30th, 1831.

GEO. GIBSON, C. G. S.

REPORT OF THE COMMISSARY GENERAL OF PURCHASES.

Commissary General's Office, Philadelphia, Oct. 24, 1831.

SIR: I enclose four statements prepared by order of the War Department,

as follows, viz:

No. 1. Statement of moneys drawn from the appropriation for the Purchasing Department for 1831, during the first three quarters of 1831, amounting

to \$102,511 42.

No. 3. Statement of moneys disbursed during the three first quarters of 1831, on account of the Purchasing Department, and amounting (after deducting \$15,302 20 belonging to the appropriation for 1830) to \$97,369 14.

No. 3. Comparative statement of the cost of clothing for the United States'

Army during the years 1830, 1831 and 1832.

No. 4: Statement of the cost of clothing for the Army of the United States

during the year 1832.

The foregoing statements will, I hope, meet your approbation, and be received in good time.

With great respect,
I have the honor to be,
Bir, your ob't servant,

C. IRVINE, Commissary General of Purchases

Hon. Lewis Cass; Secretary of War.

No. 1.

STATEMENT of moneys drawn from the appropriation for the "Purchasing Department" (for 1821,) during the three first quarters of the year 1831.

March	21	By Secretary No. 465, for	of the Tre	easury's warrant	\$20,000 00
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		1 37	15.1		\$102,511 42

Commissary General's Office, Philadelphia, October 24th, 1831.

C. IRVINE, Com. Gen. of Purch's.

Hon. Lewis Cass, Secretary of War.

No. 2.

STATEMENT of moneys received and disbursed during the three first quarters of the year 1831, on account of the Purchasing Department.

To amount of moneys drawn from the Treasury Department between the 1st of January and the 30th September, 1831, \$102,511 42 as per statement No.-1 By amount expended during the first quarter of 1831, passed to the credit of C. Irvine, Commissary General of Purchases, per account settled by the Second Auditor of the Treasury Department By amount expended during the second quarter of 1881, and credited as above, as per account settled by the Second Auditor of the Treasury Department -42,598 41 By amount expended during the third quarter of 1831, as per account preparing for transmission to the Second Auditor of the Treasury Department, for examination and settlement - 52,831 84 Deduct this sum, \$15,302 20, embraced in the foregoing expenditures, belonging to the appropriation for 1830 - 15,302 20 Amount of disbursements on account of the appropriation for 1831 -97,369 14 Balance unexpended of moneys received on account of the appropriation for 1831, during the three first quarters

Commissary General's Office, Philadelphia, October 24th, 1831.

C. IRVINE, Com. Gen. of Purch's.

Hon. Lewis Cass, Secretary of War.

No. 3.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT of the cost of clothing for the United States' army during the years 1830, 1831, and 1832.

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GARMENTS,	A CHEVI	TMIT SAUL		1830.	1831.	1832.
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Forage cap, artiHery, -	* .	, weight	- 18	8 149	\$1.39	\$1.30
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Oil-cloth cover for cap,	-		-	41	303	. 303
Leather cap,	200	11.000 321	4	1 31	1. 30	1 373
Pompon,	re ijk	#30K (5)		20	20	20
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Cockade and eagle,	-		-	6	41/2	. 41
	20	Street and	7	8	4	4
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Cap ball,		10 m 10		5	4	. 4
Cap scales, sets for artillery,		Walled A	-	45	30	30
Do., " infantry,			-	45	40	40
Worsted wings, pairs, -		7	-	53	53	53
Grey twill'd clath averalls,	South		-	1 97	1 93	2 371
Privates' drilling do.,	H) III	le e di	-7	62	581	59½
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Infantry, do. jackets with Do., privates, do.	H Siee.	ves,	-	96	1 01	1 01 75
Artillery, do., do.		100			731	80
Do., sergeants' do.			77	83	78½ 1 06	1 06
Do., grey twill'd cloth ja	ckota	with aloon	200	2 56	2 50%	2 95
Infantry, do.	do .	with steek	es,	2 49	2 431	2 89
Cotton shirts, privates',	MOTE	uu.,		53	461	51
Do., sergeants',	-	- in Sini		62	543	64
Flannel shirts,	-			1 12	1 124	1 29
Do., drawers, pairs,	-	-		87	861	978
Fatigue trowsers, -	-	7.	10	58	543	568
Do., frocks,	-	Tank and A	100	81	741	77
Laced bootees, pairs, -	2007 14	300 -030.	and a	- Charles 1-500.	1 44	1 44
Shoes,	2	VIEN	-	1 24	1 20	1 20
Stockings,	-			35	351	35
Sooks, -	-		-	18	173	18
Blankets,	-	7		2 50	2 45	3 00
Great coats, -	-			6 56	6 174	
Guard coats,	-	- 2		- 7 05	0 004	
Leather stocks,				- 14	- 1	
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	-			- 5 55	1	
Do., musicians' do.,	3			- 7 24	1 7 08	7 52

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No. 3. Continued.

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Do., sergeants' do.,	- 4	4		5 82	5 .96	5 89
Do., musicians' do.,	25	- 4	1111	7 45	7 26	7 67
Knapsacks,	-	4		1 53	1 463	1 51
Havresack,	-	-	-	30	234	25

COMMISSARY GENERAL'S OFFICE,

Philadelphia, October 24th, 1831.

C. IRVINE, Comm'y Gen. of purchases.

Hon. Lewis Cass, Secretary of War.

No. 4.

STATEMENT of the cost of clothing for the Army of the United States during the year 1832.

Forage cap, artillery			- 1	an Lyali	CAM		\$1	30
Do. infantry	-		- 1			-	1	
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Leather cap -					51.1		1	37
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Cap ball -	-		-	-	-	-		4
Worsted wings, pairs		-		of or		-	2	53
Grey twilled cloth ove	ralls	-		-		-	2	37
Privates' drilling over	alls	FARRY I	1 to bear	THE PARTY		2 -		59
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Infantry do.	do.			1777	120,000	1,672	2	95
Cotton chiefs animated			do.			-	2	89
Cotton shirts, privates		-	-			-		51
Do. sergeants	S' -	7-1	-	-		-		64
Flannel shirts -	44	-	**		- 12	-	1	29
Flannel drawers, pairs	-	-	~		-			97
Fatigue trowsers	7		-		- '	-		56
Do. frocks -	-	-	-			-		77
Laced bootees, pairs			-				1	44
Shoes	-	-						20
Stockings -	-		+ - 1		1			35
Socks		-			MODE -	-	1-	18
Blankets -							9	00
Great coats -					0.00	70		52
Guard coats -	-		F 1	11.5		111		
Leather stocks -			11		-		1	97
Infantry privates' coa	ta .				-	-		15
Do. corporals' co	nate		1			-	1	10
Do. sergeants' co	ota				-	-		12
Do. musicians' c	Jais	-	-	-		-		69
A still over con action	oats	-	**	•	*	-	7	52
Artillery cap scales,		-	-	-	-	-		30
	do.	-			-	-		40
Artillery privates' co	oats	-	-	-	4	1	1	5 26
Do. corporals'	coats			-		-	1	5 28
Do. sergeants'	coats	-	-	-				5 89
Do. musicians'	coats	-		**	21		1	7 67
Knapsacks -					No.	-	1	1 51
Havresack -	-	-					1	25

COMMISSARY GRHEBAL'S OFFICE, Philadelphia, October 24th, 1831.

C. IRVINE, Commissary General of Parchases.

SURGEON GENERAL'S OFFICE, Oct. 20, 1831.

Sin: In compliance with an order of August 20th, I herewith enclose estimates of the expenses of the Medical Department of the army and of the Surgeon General's office, for the year 1832. Accounts against the department being transmitted to this office for examination, and paid by warrant on the Treasury, but \$1,550 have been advanced during the year; of which \$808 \frac{1}{100} were unexpended on the 30th ultimo, and the remainder has been accounted for. The expenses of the department for supplies has not materially varied since the reduction of the army in 1821, being at the rate of \$2 50 per man; the present estimate is, therefore, the same as heretofore. That for private physicians has increased in consequence of the deficiency in the number of medical officers, as the army has been distributed for some years past. The amount expended in 1829 and 1830, including the recruiting service, was \$28,966.

On the reduction of the army in 1821, it was distributed to 40 military posts and arsenals, including West Point. In January last there were 51; on the 30th ultimo there were 64 stations, including the recruiting rendezvous, requiring a surgeon; and, at the same period, there were three surgeons absent in consequence of sickness, and one on furlough; leaving but 49 for duty. If every officer of the department were constantly on duty, and but one assigned to a full regiment, instead of three as heretofore allowed by law, there would still be a deficiency of eleven. On this subject I beg leave to refer to a report to the department of August 1st, 1830, relative to a reduction of the officers of the army, contained in the 3d volume of the

Executive Documents of the last session of Congress.

Allow me, also, to call the attention of the department to the several memorials presented, and the several reports made, in relation to graduating the pay of surgeons of the army in proportion to their term of service; and especially as they are now the only subordinate officers of either army or navy whose pay has not been increased. In 1816 an additional ration was allowed to all lieutenants of the army, and, subsequently, an additional ration to both captains and lieutenants, with \$10 per month to the former while on duty with their companies. In 1828 an addition of \$10 per month, and one ration per day, was made to the pay of lieutenants of the navy; and, in the same year, the pay of the surgeons and assistant surgeons of the navy was increased after the periods of 5 and 10 years' service. The senior surgeons after 10 years, and "while in actual service at sea," receives \$85 per month more than the junior assistants, and \$37 per month more than the full pay and emoluments of the army surgeon, when on actual duty with his regiment; while the latter can at no period, and under no circumstances, receive above \$11 per month more than the junior assistant, or than he did at his first appointment.

As stated above, all the officers of the department are on duty, except four: three from sickness, and one on furlough for a short period. The reports and returns required by the regulations, have been duly received. They show the hospitals to be well supplied, and all public property under the charge of the surgeons has been satisfactorily accounted for. The total number of deaths reported in hospital during the year ending June 30, has been 126; of these 22 were from intemperance, and 21 from consumption,

leaving but 83 from all other causes.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant, JOS. LOVELL, Sur. Gen'l

REPORT FROM THE TOPOGRAPHICAL BUREAU.

TOPOGRAPHICAL BUREAU, November 7th, 1831.

Hon. Lewis Cass, Secretary of War:

Sta: In obedience to your instructions of the 20th of August last, I have

the honor to submit to you:

ist. A statement marked A, exhibiting the amount drawn from the Treasury Department, and remitted to the disbursing officers under this office, from the 1st of October, 1830, to the 30th of September, 1831, inclusive; and also of the amount of accounts rendered.

2d. A statement marked B, exhibiting the number of the individuals employed under the class of civil engineers and agents, under this bureau, and

of the amounts paid to each for the same period.

3d. A statement marked C, exhibiting the amount drawn from the Treasury for the expenses of surveys and examinations, in relation to the summit level of the contemplated canal across the isthmus of Florida.

The application of the funds appropriated for surveys, and the employment of the Topographical Engineers, for the year 1831, have been as follows:

1st. In making a survey of a route for the Michigan and Illinois Canal, and in examinations and surveys of the Rock river and Des Moines rapids of the Mississippi, with a view to the improvement of the navigation of those rapids.

2d. In making a survey of part of the Hudson river, with a view to

the improvement of the navigation of that river near Albany.

3d. In completing the drawings and reports of the surveys, for the purpose of connecting by a canal the waters of lake Erie and Michigan, with those of the Wabash.

4th. In making surveys and examinations in relation to the contemplated

Weymouth and Taunton canal.

5th. In making surveys and examinations in relation to the improvement of the Big Sandy river in Kentucky, and in relation to a road from Pikesville on the Big Sandy, to the boundary of North Carolina, and from thence to the boundary of South Carolina.

6th. In making examinations and surveys, in order to ascertain the prac-

ticability of a rail road from Winchester, Virginia, to Harper's Ferry.

7th. In completing the drawings and reports of surveys of parts of the rivers Raritan and Delaware.

8th. In making an examination of a route for a rail road from the Portage

summit of the Ohio canal to the Hudson river.

9th. In making examinations and surveys in relation to the contemplated canal to connect the waters of the Atlantic with those of the Gulf of Mexico across the isthmus of Florida.

10th. In completing the drawings of a reconnoissance of the sounds of

North Carolina.

11th. In completing the drawings of a survey, in order to ascertain the military defences of the St. Mary's river, Md.

12th. In completing the drawings of a survey of the Ohio, Beaver and Chenango route of the Ohio and Eric canal, from Pittsburg to Elk creek on Lake Eric and to the harbor of Eric.

13th. In completing the drawings of a survey of the Alleghany river from Pittsburg to French creek, of French creek to Le Boenf, and of a route of

a canal from thence to the harbour of Erie

14th. In completing the drawings of a survey of the Pennsylvania and

Ohio canal from Big Beaver river to Akron in Ohio.

15th In completing the drawings of a survey of a canal route from the Connecticut river to lake Winnipisseogee, New Hampshire, by way of the valleys of the Oliverian and Baker's rivers.

16th. In completing the drawings of a survey of a canal route to unite the waters of lake Champlain with those of the Connecticut, by way of the val-

leys of Onion and Wells' rivers in the State of Vermont.

17th. In completing the drawings of a survey to connect the Savannah and

Tennessee rivers, by means of a canal or rail road.

18th. In superintending the construction of the Baltimore and Susquehannah rail road, the Paterson and Hudson river rail road, and Catskill and Conajoharie rail road.

19th In paying the civil engineers and agents employed on several of the foregoing items of duties, the employ of whom was made necessary from the

small number of Topographical officers.

The subject of an increase and better organization of the corps of Topographical Engineers, and of the inconveniencies resulting from their present condition, has been so frequently alluded to in executive communications, that I shall now only bring to your consideration such views as have not been previously presented. The able report on this subject from your predecessor Mr. Eaton, fully exposes the military considerations of the case, and also the number and organization required by the present wants of the country. To this I have only to add, that the views therein unfolded are strengthened by every day's experience, and that the inconvenience resulting from a want of the organization proposed, are continually increasing:

The reasons which may be alleged in favor of the proposed increase, in addition to those in the report alluded to, are such as apply to the survey of

the coast.

The law of the 14th of April, 1818, commits that duty to the army and the Navy, and that part of the army to which this duty properly belongs, is the Topographical Engineers. But owing to the few officers of this corps, and the pressing demand for their labors on other subjects, we have as yet done nothing under that law, except in such detail surveys of our harbors and bays, as were made with a view to their military defences, but are highly valuable matter for purposes of filling up the cartoons of the general

survey contemplated.

The scientific education derived at our Military Academy, furnishes the necessary elementary knowledge for this duty; and the military education acquired there and in the army, establishes those habits of order, attention to duty and subordination, necessary in every vocation of life, and without which no extensive operation can be judiciously or economically conducted. The Government, therefore, has at its command, valuable materials for filling up the proposed corps, in the officers of the present corps, and those graduates of the academy who have been on duty with it, and others from that institution in the several corps of the army, with officers capable at once of entering upon its duties, and of rendering efficient services.

In those services which would have to be performed in a survey of our coast, not only is mathematical knowledge requisite, but also a knowledge of, and a habit of accurately using the fine and delicate instruments required in the necessary observations. This last and valuable knowledge can be obtained by those only who possess the mathematical and mechanical information involved in the use and construction of the instruments; and with the elementary knowledge, which, it is but fair to suppose, is already possessed by the class of individuals before alluded to, there would only remain to be acquired a habit of accurately using the instruments.

It is but just to state that the ability to use fine instruments, and to observe correctly with them, is a work of time and of careful attention. But if we are not adequately organized, we cannot have officers to appropriate to that duty; and, of course, cannot say when the result of that time and careful attention will be possessed. If we have not therefore the necessary means, we must continue defective in a correct knowledge of our own coast, and also defective in the practical skill of a branch of our profession, the importance of which cannot be too highly estimated. In fact, every thing depends upon it. It furnishes all the data for the calculations; and, if defective, all the calculations are but authentications of error.

The requisite instruments have already been procured by the Government at a great cost, and under the personal supervision of a gentleman highly gifted in those matters, and are now in deposit under the care of this office. It needs only means and time to apply them to their intended uses, and to reap from them the valuable results which they are so well adapted to yield:

It appears to me entirely unnecessary to urge upon your notice the various commercial advantages which will result from an accurate knowledge of our maritime frontier, nor the value of this knowledge to its military defences. These considerations are self-evident, and need no argument to maintain them. But it may be urged that there is something due to our national character, which requires that we should be no longer entirely indebted to the imperfect efforts of other nations, for information of our own coast; and that we should, by our own labors, add something to the general mass of scientific knowledge, by, at least, correct determinations of the geography of our own country. The present effort may also be the origin of a school, which may hereafter furnish individuals, adequate, as well by their capacity to observe, as to calculate the results of observations, to enter into fair and honorable competition with the distinguished astronomers of Europe, some of whom made their first essays while officers of a similar corps.

The duties of a corps of topographical engineers are essentially military and scientific: hence the advantages of having military habits and education,

added to the scientific knowledge of its members.

Its duties also benefit all the great interests of society, and eminently quality its members for operations, which might be considered as the peculiar province of the civil engineer. For instance, the survey of a country for military purposes, furnishes also a good geographical map; the survey and construction of road for military purposes, or for the transportation of the mail, is an equally good road for the merchant, the farmer, or the traveller; a canal for military purposes, will serve equally well the wants of agriculture and commerce; and a survey of a bay, or river, or harbor, in order to ascertain the military defences of either, furnishes also that precise knowledge of its shoals, bars, channels, tides and currents, so valuable to the navigator. While a supographical officer, therefore, is cellecting in his military opera-

tions, the knowledge necessary for the military defences of the country, he also collects matter improving its geography, and bearing essentially upon

its commercial and agricultural prosperity.

From the character of the duties of such a corps, it may be seen with what facility and advantage it may have its attention, when necessary, turned to objects purely civil; and that even while pursuing these purely civil objects, from its military knowledge, its labors will be enriched by all the military considerations, which the operations may develop; so that the labors of the corps, if judiciously directed, cannot fail to furnish the Government with the most correct knowledge of the resources of the country, civil and military; of its agricultural, commercial, mechanical, and mineralogical advantages, and of its military means of defence, as all these are subjects of the investigations of a topographical engineer.

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN J. ABERT,

Lieut. Col. and T E.

STATEMENT shewing the amount of money drawn from the Treasury, and remitted to the officers and agents disbursing under the Topographical Bureau, from the 1st October, 1830, to the 30th September, 1831, inclusive, and the amount of accounts rendered by each within the same period.

NAMES.	On what account.	Amount remitted.	Amount of accounts rendered.	
Lieutenant Colonel J. Anderson, 1.	Surveys under act 30th April, 1824, - do. do. do. do. do. do. do. do. do. do	\$953 \$9 1,480 00 750 00 450 00 170 00 658 10 772 85 4,000 00 3,937 56 1,200 00 4,600 00	1,358 40 1,539 39 437 96 109 62 410 39 775 02 5,353 95 4,018 61 2,500 36 3,174 08	

TOPOGRAPHICAL BUREAU, November 7, 1831.

JOHN J. ABERT, Lieut. Cot. T. E.

LIST of Civil Engineers employed under the Topographical Bureau, with the amount of compensation, pay, and emoluments, allowed to each; where employed, and the State in which he was born.

Name.	Where born.	Where employed.	Rate of Compensation.	Amount paid to each
Dr. Wm. Howard, Civil Engineer -	Maryland, -	On Furlough,	\$6 per day, and 12 cents per mile when travelling under orders on duty,	
DeWitt Clinton, do.	New York, -	Surveying Hudson river, -	do. do. do.	2,391 64
Howard Stansbury, Assist. Civil En.	do	Washington, on office duty, -	\$110 per month, and 10 cents per mile do	1,533 97
F. Harrison, jr do	do	Baltimore, do	\$3 50 per day in the field, \$3 while employed in office duty, and ten cents per mile while travelling under orders on duty,	1,402 62
William B. Guyon,	Mississippi, -	On furlough,	do. do. do.	939 30
Henry Belin, +	Pennsylvania,	Surveying in Illinois and Missouri	do. do. do	1,665 91
G. W. Hughes,	New York, .	On duty with Mr. Clinton, .	do. do. do	1,211 70
C. N. Hagner,	Dis. Columbia	do. do	do. do. do.	567 10
P. Van Wyck,	New Jersey	On duty with Col. Long, -	Pay and emoluments of 2d lieutenant infantry, -	1,089 25
Erskine Stansbury, Surveyor,	New York, -	On duty with Mr. Stansbury, -	\$2 50 per day, -	672 00
Randolph Coyle, do	Dis. Columbia	do. do	\$2 do.	706 50
Chauncey Barnard, do		On duty with Mr. Belin, .	\$3 do.	466 50

^{*}Resigned 30th September, 1831.

Topographical Bureau, November 7, 1831.

JOHN J. ABERT, Lieut. Col. T. E.

[†]Mr. Belin receives \$2 per diem in addition, while employed in surveying in Illinois and Missouri.

STATEMENT showing the amount of money drawn from the Treasury, and remitted to the officers and agents disbursing under the Topographical Bureau, from the 1st of October, 1830, to the 30th September, 1831, inclusive; and the amount of accounts rendered by each within the same period, on account of the cantemplated canal across the isthmus of Florida.

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Topographical Bureau, November 7, 1831.

JOHN J. ABERT, Lieut. Col. and T. E.

REPORT FROM THE PENSION OFFICE.

WAR DEPARTMENT, Pension Office, 20th October, 1831.

Six: I have the honor to state, conformably to the orders of the 20th of August last, that the amount of warrants issued for the payment of revolutionary pensioners, during the year 1831, is \$1,005,632 $\frac{78}{100}$, and warrants to the amount of \$168,512 $\frac{10}{100}$ have been issued for the payment of invalid pensioners during the same period.

I transmit, herewith, statements showing the number of United States' pensioners on the rolls of the several States and Territories of the United States; the number of deaths during the present year, so far as the returns have been made; and the number added to the list of pensioners for the same

period.

I also enclose an estimate of the amount of funds which will probably be required for paying the revolutionary and invalid pensioners for the ensuing year.

I have the honor to be,

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant.

CHARLES THE REAL PROPERTY.

J. L. EDWARDS.

Hon. LEVI WOODBURY,
Acting Secretary of War

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NUMBER of Revolutionary and Invalid Pensioners added to the rolls since the 22d of October, 1830.

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WAR DEPARTMENT,

Pension Office, October 17, 1831.

J. L. EDWARDS.

NUMBER of Revolutionary and Invalid Pensioners on the rolls of different States and Territories, on the 17th October, 1831.

	States a	nd Territo	ries.			Revolution- ary pension- ers.	Invalid per sioners.
						1 6 P.	;
Maine -	•	-	-			960	141
New Hampshire	-	-	•			703	187
Massachusetts		- 1-84	-	-	-	1,439	337
Connecticut -	-	-	4	-•	-	693	129
Rhode Island	~	-	10 -	-		160	14
Vermont -	.11		-	S*	-	931	173
New York -			/ · ·	-	tas	2,749	1,014
New Jersey -		-,	-		-	380	58
Pennsylvania		-	-			712	343
Pittsburg agency	ī -		119	- hm -	-	322	95
Delaware -	N -	-	9 .	5	-	15	16
Maryland -					-	140	227
Virginia -	W		-	~	200	668	212
North Carolina	-		11 -	-	-	256	64
South Carolina	-	-		-	-	116	22
Georgia -	F .	-				77	23
Kentucky -	-			-	-	478	169
East Tennessee	-		-			151	49
West Tennessee	-			-		124	98
Ohio	-			-	-1	534	161
Indiana -	8 .	-		-	-	124	81
Louisiana :-			-	-		10	. 29
Mississippi -	-	2 .		-	-	16	7
Michigan Territo	rv -			-		. 10	36
Illinois -						28	28
Alabama -					-	35	27
Missouri -					_	18	70
District of Colum	ibia -			122		18	. 58
	A					1-1-10	Elegative.
	13.5		2			11,876	3,868

WAR DEPARTMENT,

Pension Office, October 17, 1831.

J. L. EDWARDS.

Abstract from the several agents' returns, shewing the number of pensioners whose deuths have come to their knowledge during the year ending 4th September, 1831; also those dropt from the roll under the act 3d March, 1819.

Agencies		Revolutionary pensioners.	Invalid pension- ers.	Invalid pension ers dropped from the roll under act 3d March, 1819.	
Maine -	*	-	51	4	Jemus - 1
New Hampshire		-	30	4	· IIII · I · III
Massachusetts Connecticut	100	-	38	1 1 1	
		-	27	- 1	367 Y 30
Rhode Island		-	2		C(8/2) 7 = 1
Vermont - New York -	8001		28	3	THE PARTY NAMED IN
			53	15	3
New Jersey -		-	-10	1	n = 1
Pennsylvania	-		-29	8	2 2 4 2
Pittsburg, Pa.	-	-	15	2	Maria City
Delaware -		3-	1		THE CARTE
Maryland -	-	-	9 .	3 .	10 10 12
Virginia -	1	-	23	3	MANAGEMENT
North Carolina		13.0	9	. 1	seamont in the
South Carolina	-	-	1	1	SERTING THE STREET
Georgia -	11.44	-	6		
Kentucky -	6.		9	3	A SANDON
E. Tennessee	7				Charles I
W. Tennessee			3 8	1 12 1	Capper In 1 in
Ohio			T	4 STOLE	of and other life
Indiana -	-		7	3	1.1
Louisiana -		-		1 3-17	A CHARLES
Mississippi -	3.4	-	2	1	The American St.
Michigan - Illinois -	650	-	12.00	6 I madi	D 26 80 - 45
Illinois -	-		6	4	
Alabama -	7.1	-	-		1
Missouri -		-	2	3	1 50 10 5
D. Columbia	last seal		17	8	White the
	- 1		376	64	8

WAR DEPARTMENT,

Pension Office, October 17, 1831.

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14,350 acres.

REPORT OF THE BOUNTY LAND OFFICE.

Return of Claims which have been deposited in the Bounty Land Office for the year ending on the 30th September, 1831, for services rendered during the Revolutionary war.

Claims suspended on file 30th September, 1 Do. received from 1st October, 1830, to	830, 30th	Septemb	- er, 1	831,	6 573
inclusive	-		sil	-	573
				100	579
Claims for which land warrants have issued	-	-		98	
Do. previously satisfied	Tel 30	270 14 61	1	86	
Do. not entitled to land	A 110 c	-		116	
Do. in which the names of the applicants	are no	t return	ed		
on the records in this office	-021101	201 to		171	JEE
Do. on which further evidence was require	red	- 1	1181	76	
Do. for which regulations were sent	L hi ku	100 mg/s	41110	26	, .67
Do. on file, suspended	-	-	-	6	
D Marie Marie			-		579

Abstract of the number of Warrants issued for the year ending on the 30th September, 1831.

1	Lieut. Colonel	-	.00	450	
1	Major	-	-	400	
8	Captains, 300 acres each	4	-	2,400	
16	Lieutenants, 200 acres each	-	-	3,200	
1.	Ensign -	li-Trans		150	
* 1	Cornet	-112	100-30	150	
2	Surgeons, 400 acres each	-	-	800	
68	Rank and file, 100 acres each		-	6,800	
JUL			-		
Warrants 98				14,350 a	a

Number of warrants signed by Generals Knox and Dearborn, which remain on file in this office

Number of claims under the act of Congress of 15th May, 1828, presented by the Treasury Department for examination

Return of Claims which have been deposited in the Bounty Land Office for the year ending on the 30th September, 1831, for services rendered during the late war.

Claim	s suspended per last rep	JOPL	4	1.00	The state of		_	310
Do.	received since -		-	1	-	100	-	294
					A Comme	waters!	17000	612
Claim	s for which warrants ha	ve iss	ued	0102-40	1000	Denie un	70	
Do.	previously satisfied .	- Comment	-	10000	CANADA SAN	minist a	55	
Do.	not entitled to land .		-	-	-	-	36	
Do.	returned for further e	vidend	e	arrest de	OF MA	no better	52	1 47
Do.	for which regulations			andols(117	well from	86	
Do.	on file, suspended -	-	-			. 0	313	
31.7						-		612
0.63				-				
				Ted Shak	rich be		0.00	111
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2d.	Authorized by the act of December 10, 18	814,	20.90-100-	2
		Lahrmone	101	
		Total	-	70

Authorized by the acts of December 24, 1811, and January

Whereof, of the first description, 68 granted, of 160 acres each -	10,880
Whereof, of the second description, 2 granted, of 320 acres each	640

Total acres - 11,520

DEPARTMENT OF WAR,

Bounty Land Office, Nov. 20, 1831.

The foregoing is respectfully reported to the Hon. Secretary of War as the proceedings of this office for the year ending on the 30th September, 1891.

WM. GORDON, First Clerk.

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the florest value of the arm out for examination