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Sitka December 26 1895

To the Auditor for
The State and Other Departments,
Washington D.C.

Sir;

I have the honor to report that I have not been absent from
the Territory or the duties of my office since the date of my 1
last report dated November 31 1895.

Yours respectfully.

James Shearman
Governor of Alaska.

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Dear Sir:

I enclose herewith ^{at \$9,000.00} in
 favor of William Lewis, being amount due him
 for services ^{at Ordnance} as a policeman from July 1 to Dec. 31 '75
 Please deliver ^{territory of the} and acknowledge receipt on
^{at the} form, ^{and Ordnance Store} wishing you a merry Christmas
 and a happy New Year

I remain,
 Yours very truly
 James Shuckley

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100.00

Barrow, Alaska December 31 1908

Washington, D.C.

Chief of Ordnance,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt by account
present of the fund for the purchase of the
the Territory of Alaska herewith transmit my annual return of
Ordnance Stores. Twenty three rifles and five hundred
rifle ball cartridges.

Respectfully,

James Sheakley
Governor of Alaska.

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Sitka Dec. 31 1895

To the

Auditor for the State and other Depts.

Sir Washington D.C.

will appoint Mr. Petty a Notary Public,

Sir:

I have the honor to herewith transmit my account of the disbursement of the fund for the Contingent and Incidental expenses of the Territory of Alaska. For the second quarter of the fiscal year 1895 ending December 31 1895.

Respectfully,
When appointed

and have a Notary's seal made

Governor of Alaska.

James Sheakley

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Sitka, January 6 1896

Rev. J. Loomis Gould,
Jackson P.O. Alaska.

My dear Sir:

I will appoint Mr. Pettey a Notary Public, and will send the
Commissioner in Mr. V. R. Curtis, pursuer on the City of Tepeka is also
a Notary, and either the U.S. Commissioner Kelly at Wrangell can
swear him in incidental and contingent expenses of the
Mr. William Taylor will apply I will also appoint him, and he
could swear Pettey. When appointed, the appointees will have to
send and have their seals made at their own expense.

The fees for the clerical work of the appointment go to the
Clerk of the Court, and he will attend to the matter after the
appointment is made, and send the bills.

There is no plan by which I can appoint Justices of the Peace
or Constables. Congress will arrange that in due time. Trusting
that the school and all are moving quietly along, I am,

Yours truly,

James Shannley
Governor of Alaska.

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Sitka, January, 7 1896.

To the,
Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Washington D.C.

Sir:

I have the honor to submit the following: For years it has been the usage in this, the Executive Office, to pay a small salary to a clerk or private secretary to the governor out of the appropriation for the incidental and contingent expenses of the Territory of Alaska.

It has been required of this clerk in addition to his other duties to ^{do} all the clerical work in Alaska for the Department of Indian Affairs. Especially when the governor is absent on official business, which is not infrequent.

It has been decided by the Comptroller that this clerk's salary can no longer be paid as heretofore. It is absolutely necessary that some one be in the Executive Office during all business hours, as much on account of the business of the Department of Indian Affairs as any other, and as the salary of the governor is insufficient to cover this and other expenses not cited here, I would respectfully inquire if some arrangement could not be made by your Department for a part of this salary, or for what work is done for it. Very respectfully,

Your ob'dt. ser'vt.

James H. ...

Sitka January 22 1896

Sitka, Jan

Rev. William Duncan,
New Metlakatla,
and Assistant Postmaster General,
Alaska,

Dear Sir: Washington D.C.

Your favor of January 3rd, is received, and in accordance
with request Harry Lang is substituted for Henry Savest removed.
Lang's time will begin with January 1st 1896.

Trust that all is well with you I remain,
Yours truly,

James Shockey
Governor of Alaska.

Especially this year, we have a more
consideration of the obstacles and
difficulties to be overcome on this route, I believe, that four
times as much could be made with certainty,
if you are in the way of ordering
the work will be continued this season.

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Sitka, January, 31 1896

Hon. Charles Neilson,

Second Assistant Postmaster General,
Department of Post Offices, or the names of persons to
Washington D.C.

Sir: I have not by me, at present, the definition
consideration for Postmasters, but will ascertain
have been all over the route, and forward the same
Your letter making inquiry in regard to the establishing of
a mail route from Juneau to Circle City on the Yukon river Alaska
is at hand.
Respectfully yours.

When in Washington D.C. about a year since, I submitted a
schedule to the Postmaster General, and I suppose that schedule is
now on file in the Post Office Department.

It proposed six round trips per year, but upon a more
thorough examination, and in consideration of the obstacles and
difficulties to be overcome on this route, I believe that four
round trips per annum is all that could be made with certainty, by
one company.

A private company did some work last summer in improving the
White Pass, and the work will be continued this season. They ex-
pect to make it passable for mule pack trains. This Pass has a
much less elevation than the Chilkoot trail. When this is com-
pleted it will make the passage much easier over the mountains
from Dyea to the head waters of the Yukon river.
Please find enclosed a marked copy of the "Alaska Mining Record"
which gives a description of the route, and table of distances.

Second Asst. Postmaster Genl. 2

also a marked copy of my annual report.

There will be over two thousand men in the Yukon Country this season, and the establishing of a letter mail will be a matter of great importance to them, and also to all the business interests in Alaska.

I have not by me, at present, the definite information as to the location of Post Offices, or the names of persons to recommend to your consideration for Postmasters, but will ascertain from people who have been all over the route, and forward the same to you as soon as possible.

Respectfully yours,

James Shearley
Governor of Alaska.

Postmaster General
Washington, D.C.
The Post Office Department
Washington, D.C.
Enclosed
Very truly yours,
James Shearley

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JUN 10 1898
POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT
WASHINGTON, D.C.

Director for the State and Other Dep'ts
 of Post Offices or the names of persons
 Washington D. C.
 for the purpose of Post Offices, and will advise
 I have the honor to report that I have not been
 territory or the duties of my office, since the
 report December 31 1895

Respectfully,
 W. A. ...

W. A. ...
 Governor of Alaska

Sitka, January, 31 1896

To the,

Auditor for the State and Other Depts.

Washington D. C.

Sir:

I have the honor to report that I have not been absent from the Territory or the duties of my office, since the date of my last report December 31 1895.

Respectfully yours.

James Shearley
Governor of Alaska.

Sitka, Alaska, January 31, 1896

Hon. Thomas Holcomb,

Auditor for the State and Other Departments,

Washington D. C.

Sir:

I have the honor to herewith enclose my receipt for Treasury Warrant No. 1889 for the sum of Seven Hundred and Fifty Dollars, dated December 27 1895, being the amount of my salary as Governor of Alaska, for the quarter ending December 31 1895.

Very respectfully yours,

James Shearley
Governor of Alaska.

\$750.00

One enclosure.

Sitka, Alaska, January, 25 1896.

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James Shearley
Governor of Alaska.

Sitka, Alaska , January 31 '96

Mr. Karl Koehler,
Juneau Alaska.

Dear Sir:

The Government contemplate establishing a letter mail route from Juneau to Circle City on the Yukon river Alaska, and want establish post offices at intermediate points.

Can you tell me the proper places to establish these post offices, and give me the names of persons who reside at them and would be the proper persons to be postmasters.

You can probably get this information from Mr. Wina or some other gentleman who has recently returned from the Yukon. Please answer by the next boat, and oblige,

Yours very truly,

James H. Pease
Governor of Alaska.

To the Honorable
the President
of the United States

Sitka, February, 4, 1896

Hon. Robert B. Bewler
Comptroller of the Treasury,
Washington D.C.

Sir: all classes of people deplore this condition of the Territory. I have the honor to here with enclosed statement, dated December 28 1895, of Hon. Thomas Holcomb, Auditor for the State and Other Departments. It appears by this statement that the Auditor has disallowed the sum of Three Hundred and Twenty Seven Dollars and Sixty Cents (\$327.60) of my account rendered June 30 1895, Contingent Expenses of the territory of Alaska.

This expense was incurred in going to and returning from Washington D.C., I being on business for this Territory. I most respectfully appeal from the decision of the Hon. Thomas Holcomb, Auditor for the State and Other Departments, and request that the said amount of Three Hundred and Twenty Seven Dollars and Sixty Cents, as in law, equity, and right it should, be allowed in my account above referred to.

Alaska is not an organized territory, has no legislature or other law making power, and is without any representation in Congress. It devolves upon the governor of the territory not only to look after the enforcement of existing laws, but

Hon. Robt. B. Bowler -2-

To formulate and present to Congress, legislation needed by the people of Alaska.

Notwithstanding the laws of the United States prohibit the importation, manufacturing, and sale of intoxicating liquors in Alaska, all kinds of liquors and intoxicants are smuggled into the Territory, and sold in unlimited quantities, in fact it is free whiskey every where. That is the cause of so many murders and other crimes being committed.

All classes of people deplore this condition, and many of the best citizens solicited me to draft a bill, which would improve the situation, and go to Washington D.C. to try to have Congress enact it into a law. I was also requested to do so by the Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, the Honorable Charles S. Hamlin, who was in Sitka about that time. I complied with these requests, and also presented a bill, authorizing the governor to appoint Justices of the peace, and constables, which passed the house. Thus providing for the enforcement of the former bill.

The precedents that I have before me in this office show that all traveling (incidental) expenses have been paid from this appropriation, which is the "Appropriation for the Incidental and Contingent Expenses of the Territory, to be expended under the direction of the governor."

Stationary, lights, and fuel are not incidental or contingent expenses, but current and direct expenses. Contingent expenses are those possible, or liable, but not certain, to occur, unforeseen, undetermined, or dependent on something futur

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Hon. Robt. B. Bowler

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It was clearly the intention of Congress that his traveling and other expenses should be paid, when on business for the Territory. If not, why was such an appropriation made?

I knew of no law prohibiting the allowing of this amount and as I have expended the money for the benefit of the Territory, and for the public good, and at a great inconvenience to myself, and the amount being less than half of the actual money I expended on the long trip to Washington, I trust that you will see your way clearly to allow me this amount.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

James W.ickersham
Governor of Alaska.

Two enclosures.

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Hon. Robt. B. Bowler

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Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

James W. Huntley
Governor of Alaska

Two enclosures.

of the Treasury
bookkeeping and
true copy

Miscellaneous, Copy, Certificate, Disbursements.
No. 3110

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
office of the

AUDITOR FOR THE STATE AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS

December 27, 1895

I hereby certify that I have examined and settled an account between the United States and *James Shesley, Gov. of Alaska* on account of appropriation for *Antiquities Expense, Terr. of Alaska* from *April 1, 1894* to *June 30, 1895* under official bond dated *Oct 12, 1894*, and find a balance due the said

United States of *the Treasury* *the sum of \$527.42* dollars

\$527.42 paid to *James Shesley* Auditor for the State and Other Dep.

By *W. W. Scott* Deputy Auditor.

To the Secretary of the Treasury
(division of bookkeeping and warrants)

To the *Governor of Alaska*

The above is a true copy of the original.

W. W. Scott
Deputy Auditor.

Sitka, February 12 1896

Harry F. Swift
Klawack, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Yours of Jan 13 recd. I am glad to know that our policeman is doing so well, and hope that he will keep right on doing his duty. Say to those Indians down there, that they must pay Sunais for his canoe and all damages, or they will be arrested, brought over to Wrangell be made to pay for the canoe, and put in jail besides.

Resisting an officer is a serious offence against the law, and can be severely punished. Mr Kelley was here and I instructed him to attend to this matter soon, as he said he was going to Klawack and would have the parties arrested. Give the policeman all the encouragement you can, as you suggested, I enclose a notice to be posted up in the store, warning the Indians not to resist the law.

I am much obliged to the Hydass' for their offer to help fight King George, but I think that the boundary question will be settled, with-out any war. If we should need them we will give them a chance, for we know that they are good warriors.

Remember us kindly to Bella and the baby. I would like to see them. I will try to come your way next summer.

Very truly yours,

James Sheekay

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Sitka, February, 12 1896

Hon. James H. Hopkins,

Pittsburg Pa.

My dear Sir:

I was very much pleased to hear from you by your letter of the 26th. ultimo. I will be glad to do anything I can for you in the interest of your son; but there is little or none of the electric business going on here. The Treadwell Mine at Douglas Island Alaska, uses some electric appliances, and if you will write to Mr. Robert Duncan Superintendent of that mine, and refer him to me, there is a possibility that some sort of a position could be secured, as Mr. Duncan has always been very courteous to me.

Alaska is not a good place for a young man to come to, and I believe that there will be many people come here this season, who will endure hardship, for there is few places in any line. See page 15 of my report, which I am sending by this mail, under a separate wrapper. I am afraid that the news-papers are over-booming Alaska. When I am in Douglas City again I can speak to Mr. Duncan, but in the mean time you can write him, it will do no harm any way.

With the rest of the Esquimaux we are getting along very nicely. The thermometer is about zero - that is very cold for here. Remember me very kindly to Mrs. Hopkins. I am,

Very truly yours,

James Shewley

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Sitka, February, 13, 1896.

To His Excellency,
Gov. Peter Turney,
Nashville, Tennessee.

Dear Sir:-

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your kind invitation to the people of Alaska and myself to attend the celebration of the 100th anniversary of the admission of the State of Tennessee into the Union, to be held in the city of Nashville beginning Sept 1st 1896, and continuing 100 days.

It would afford us great pleasure to be present on that occasion, and join with you and the people of Tennessee in a celebration in memory of the heroic and patriotic men and women who *formed* the great State of Tennessee. A State that produced one of our greatest Presidents, the hero of New Orleans.

The great intervening distance and official duties may deprive me of the pleasure of being present, but some of our people will undoubtedly be with you. Trusting that the Exposition will prove eminently successful, I am,

Very respectfully,

Your obedt. ser'vt.

James Shackley
Governor of Alaska

Sitka, February, 13, 1896.

Isaac B. Botler

Chairman Comm Road Dep't of L.A.W.

I have the honor to acknowledge
New York City.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge your invitation to be present at
the annual session of the League of American Wheelmen held in
Baltimore February 10. The great distance intervening would
preclude the idea of attending.

The subject of transportation and good roads, is of more im-
portance to the average american citizen than any other economic
question now before the people. We have no roads at all in
Alaska. Transportation is entirely by water. Hoping to meet with
you at some future time, when I may have an opportunity of con-
tributing my mite toward forwarding the good cause. I am

Very respectfully yours.

James Cheakley
Governor of Alaska.

Sitka, Alaska Feb. 17 1896

To the,
Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Washington D.C.

Sir:

I have the honor to herewith enclose a sworn statement of
employees, William H. Lewis, and Kent-a-Kouse, the payment of whose
salaries \$60.00 and \$14.19 respectively was suspended by the
Auditor for the Interior Department in department letter, J, R, P, 41
Sett. 6548*. Respectfully.

James Shearley
Governor of Alaska.

Two enclosures.

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Sitka, February, 18, 1896

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the twenty first ultimo. The man that was killed was probably about forty years of age, and while in Sitka bore a good reputation, as far as we know, and for a time was in my employ.

It is alleged that he was killed by one of his own countrymen, who is now in jail here, and will be tried at the next term of the United States Court, to be held at Juneau Alaska in the month of April. Then all the facts in the case will be brought out, and communicated to you.

I herewith enclose to you the name of the man killed and the name of the accused, written by a Japanese, who was in Juneau at the time of the murder. I will be glad to give you all the information I can in the matter. I am,

Very truly yours.

James Shinkley
Governor of Alaska.

To,

H. I. Japanese Majesty's Consul,
Tacoma Washington.

Sitka, February, 19, 1896.

G.G. Wickson & Co.
San Francisco Cal.

Sirs:

Please send the following goods to me via freight, Pacific Coast Steam Ship Co.

No. 8,	1 Ream Extra Superfine ,Size 8x10 1/2,	Paper	\$2.10
"	3 1/2, 1 "	Paragon " 8 1/2 x 11 "	1.65
"	1 " 1 "	Laid " " x 13	.95
"	1 " 3 Doz. Purple Carbon Sheets"	8x13 .60	1.80
	100 Standard Legal Covers	Blue.	.50
"	3 1 Box W.S.& B. Fasteners, Round Head.		.20
	1 " " Punch		.25
	1 Brush for cleaning machine		.15
	1 " " " type		.25
"	5 1 Davis Automatic Ink Stand		1.75
"	160 1 Steel Eraser		.35
"	102 1/2 Doz. W.S.& B. Type Writers Erasers.		.30
	1 " Rem. Sten. Leadpencils		.75
			<u>\$11.00</u>

On last page, but one, of your book of "Type Writers Papers" I note that "Letter heads engraved, lithographed, or printed at reasonable rates" I wish a part of the paper ordered above printed as follows:

G.G. Wickson & Co.

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The ream of No 8 Extra Superfine, and one half of the ream of No. 3 1/2 Wove to be printed with a letter head about the same as seen on the head of the first page of this letter, but using the style of type as the enclosed letter head attached to the top of this sheet.

The desired letter head to read as follows:

District of Alaska,
Executive Office,
Sitka.

, and should be placed in the center, and top of the page.

If engraving or lithographing does not exceed more than twice the cost of printing, it would be better to do it so. In a former letter you mention a Callard Blotter Bath. I fail to find it in your catalogue of supplies. I would wish to get some improved method of copying letters, different from the old fashioned copy book and press. If you have such, please send its description and price.

Very truly yours,

James Sheakley,

Governor of Alaska,

Per. *[Signature]*

P.S. Please send receipted bill in duplicate, signed in ink, as in the arrangement of the last purchase made from you by this office.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
DISTRICT OF ALASKA,

Sitka, March 1, 1896.

To the,
Chief of Ordnance,
Washington D.C.

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of this office letter dated at Sitka, August 23, 1895, endorsed as follows:

1889 to 1895 1st. Indorsement.
Office of Chief of Ordnance, U.S. Army,
Washington D.C. Jan. 31 1896

Respectfully returned to the Hon. James Sheakley, Governor of Alaska, Sitka, with the request that he will advise this office of the result of his efforts in connection with stores not accounted for by ex-Governors Swineford and Knapp, enumerated in letter of July 30 1895 to which the within is a reply.

Should the missing stores not have been recovered, it is desired that a Board of Survey be convened, as within suggested, to investigate and report the facts concerning the same, and make such recommendations in respect to the disposition thereof, whether lost, ~~stolen~~ stolen, or worn out in the service, as the evidence may warrant.

This and all other papers available relating to said stores may be submitted to the board, and made a part of its proceedings. It is requested that early action may be taken to the end that the property returns of Alaska may be finally settled.

D.W. Flagler,
Brig. Gen. Chief of Ordnance.

I have received no stores or any information as to the disposition of the missing stores in reply to the copies of your letter dated Washington D.C. July 30 1895, that I caused to be made and sent out in August 1895.

It is stated that Gov. Swineford will be in Sitka in April or May, and at that time he can appear before the proposed Board of Survey. Gov. Knapp lives in Seattle, and his affidavit can be submitted to it.

Of whom and how shall this Board be composed? The organization of the Alaska Militia has been abandoned, and there is but one of the ex-officers lives here now. Can we convene a board composed of officers of the U.S. Navy or U.S.M.C. stationed here?

I will send copies of this letter to ex-Governors Swineford and Knapp. I have requested Lieut. Joseph H. Pendleton U.S.M.C., who was for two years in command of the the Marine Corps stationed at Sitka Alaska, to call on you and explain some of the difficulties under which we labor.

Very respectfully yours.

James Sheakley
Governor of Alaska.

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DISTRICT OF ALASKA,
Executive Office,

Sitka, March 2 1896

Lieut. Joseph H. Pendleton,
Washington D.C.

My dear Sir:

We have never as yet succeeded in getting the affairs of the "Alaska Militia" closed up, and I enclose herewith copies of letters that are self explanatory. The idea occurred to me that you might with propriety, call on the Chief of Ordnance and explain to him the difficulties we meet in trying to find out much about the disposition of the stores in question.

Mr. de Groff tells me that some of the guns were given out at Juneau some years ago when they had the trouble with the Native there. The few stores that are short have naturally disappeared, in the course of the ten years they have been in the territory. The most of them as you know were sent to the Benecia Arsenal. If you can explain the situation to the Chief of Ordnance, I would be pleased to have you do so. I am satisfied that no one having the stores in charge, has attempted to defraud the Department or have been guilty of any negligence that should entail censure.

We are all well, and things are running along in about the same lively way as they were when you lived here. Would be glad to learn of your coming to Sitka again. All join me in the kindest regards to yourself and Mrs. Pendleton.

Very truly yours,

James Cheasey
Governor of Alaska.

Dictated. DISTRICT OF ALASKA,
Executive Office,

Sitka, March 3 1896

Mrs. McFarland,
Hoonah, Alaska.

Dear Madam:

Dick, the Indian of Hoonah, handed to me your letter of Dec. 21. I also heard his story in regard to the house, in which he lives. From what I understand in the matter, the house in question, belongs to Dick and the widow of his brother, both of whom are in possession of the building now.

Archie has no claim on the property whatever, and if he undertakes to disturb Dick and the widow or to dispossess them of the house he will be arrested and punished for disturbing the peace.

Please notify Archie of this. I believe that when he understands the matter, he will give them no more trouble. I am glad to hear that you are getting along so well, and hope that you will be prospered in your work among the Natives.

Very sincerely yours.

James S. Shesley
Governor of Alaska.

Executive Office,
DISTRICT OF ALASKA,

Sitka, March, 3 1896

To the,
Chief of Ordnance,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

In reference to your letter of January 31 in regard to the ex-
penditure of Five Hundred Rounds of rifle ball cartridges, cal, 45
I have to say;

The rifle ball cartridges in question were
given out to persons in the employ of the Government as follows:

Vouchers attached:

Deputy U.S. Marshal at Kodiack Alaska.	100
Indian Police at Sitka	200
To Contractor Peter Esby among the Indians on Revelagiseo Island, building a government school house.	200
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Total to be accounted for.	500

If, in your judgement these things should be paid for, please
state the price and advise in what manner they shall be paid for
and it shall be done.

Also will you please instruct me how to dispose of the re-
maining ones.

Very respectfully yours.

James Shepley
Governor of Alaska.

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DISTRICT OF ALASKA,
Executive Office,

Sitka Mich. 5 1896

Hon. George C. Perkins,

U.S. Senate Washington D.C.

Sir:

Individuality I would eliminate the entire whisky business and enforce the law prohibiting the importation, manufacture, and sale of intoxicating liquors in the States Senate to the condition of the liquor traffic in Alaska, but the enforcement of that law is neither

able, or practicable. Congress should do something to remedy the existing evil either by providing means to enforce the present law or pass some law by which the traffic could be regulated.

As it is now it is free whiskey every where. Experience has proven it very difficult to enforce the law prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors in even the older states, where the Courts are always open and the officers have daily access to all parts of the community.

You can easily realize how much more difficult it is to enforce prohibition in this country, where we have but two sessions of court per annum. Some of the offenders are located hundreds of miles from the seat of government, and the officers have no way of reaching them.

When arrested for selling intoxicating liquor to white men no conviction can be had for the reason that the people of Alaska are almost unanimously opposed to the prohibitory

Senator Perkins ---2---

law.

Nearly all the liquor is smuggled in from British Columbia, and there appears to be no way to stop the illicit traffic. A U.S. Revenue Cutter has been in these waters during most of the past year, but it has not captured a drop of contraband liquor or made one arrest.

Individually I would eliminate the entire whisky business and enforce the law prohibiting the importation, manufacturing, and sale of intoxicating liquors in the territory of Alaska, but the enforcement of that law is neither possible, or practicable.

The most effective way to stop the smuggling of whisky into Alaska is to make it unprofitable. This can be done by passing a high license law, such as is contained in the bill introduced by Senator Faulkner.

This will create a class of citizens favorable to the enforcement of the law and who will act as detectives against the smugglers, and also will allow liquors to be shipped into the territory in a legitimate manner, and at such prices that the smuggler can not compete. This will also yield a revenue to the government, which as it now is loses it all.

The bill introduced by Senator Faulkner allowing the governor of Alaska to appoint justices of the peace, and constables, if enacted into a law, would be an important auxiliary in executing the law against smuggling, as these officers could be appointed at all these out of the way places, where

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there is a trading post or a mission.

In my last annual report dated Oct. 1 1895 I stated that no indictment had ever found by a grand jury against any one for selling intoxicating liquors to white men. Since that date a term of the United States Court was held at Juneau in December last. At which the grand jury found true bills of indictment against a number of saloon keepers, and vendors of intoxicating liquors. To which the accused appeared and plead guilty, and were fined the nominal sum of fifty dollars each, but they go right on with their business. No effect whatever is made in stopping the traffic.

Please accept my sincere thanks for the kindly interest that you have taken in this matter, and permit me to say that I hope that something may come of these efforts.

Very respectfully,

Your Obedt Ser'vt.

James H. Peckley
Governor of Alaska.

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THE SOCIETY UPON THE STANISLOW.

By Bret Hart.

I RESIDE at Table Mountain, and my name 's
Truthful James.

I am not up to small deceit, or any sinful games;
And I'll tell in simple language w'nat I know about the row
That broke up the society upon the Stanislow.

But first I would remark, that it is not a proper plan
For any scientific gent to wha'le his fellow-man,
And, if a member don't agree w'ith his peculiar whim,
To lay for that same member for "to put a head" on him.

Now, nothing could be finer or more beautiful to see
Than the first six months' proceedings of that same society,
Till Brown of Calaveras brought a lot of fossil bones
That he found within a tunnel near the tenement of Jones.

Then Brown he read a paper, and he reconstructed there,
From those same bones, an animal that was extremely rare;
And Jones then asked the chair for a suspension of the rules
Till he could prove that those same bones were one of his
lost mules.

Then Brown he smiled a sickly smile and said he was at fault
It seemed he had been trespassing on Jones's family vault:
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And on several occasions he had cleaned out the town.

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THE SOCIETY UPON THE STANISLOW.

By Bret Hart.

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By Bret Hart.

To say another is an ass, -at least to all intent:

I ~~NEVER~~ should the individual who happens to be meant
Reply by heaving rocks at him to any great extent.

I am not up to small deceit, or any sinful games;
Then Abner Dean of Angel's raised a point of order--when
And I'll tell in simple language what I know about the row
A chunk of old red sandstone took him in the abdomen;
That broke up the society upon the Stanislow.
And he smiled a kind of sickly smile, and curled upon the floor

And the subsequent proceedings interested him no more.

For any scientific gent to ~~whom~~ ~~his~~ ~~fellows~~ ~~man~~,
For in less time than I write it, every member did engage
And, if a member don't agree with his peculiar whim,
In a warfare with the remnants of a pal eozoic age;
To lay for that same member for to put a head on him,
And the way they heaved those fossils in their anger was a sin,

Not till the skull of an old mammoth caved the head of Thompson

Than the first six months' proceedings of that same society,
And this is all I have to say of these improper Games:

Till Brown of Calaveras brought a lot of fossil bones
For I live at Table Mountain, and my name is Truthful James;
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Sitka March 9 1896.

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,relations of this same old Klan-tech,whom we all know,had return-
 ed to Sitka and learned of the death of Es-how,they decided that t
 they had nothing to show for the having recieved any pay what-se-
 ever from the Hootz-neo-oo people for the death of Klan-teche's
 aunt forty years ago,and so concluded to go to the village of
 Hootz-neo-oo or Killisnoo,and demand about one hundred blankets or
 its equivalent.

Five canoe loads of Kak-wan-tans lead by old Klan-tech,and
 one certain Prince Tom went to that place and after much pow-wow
 and dancing,actually,and surprising to say did succeed in getting
 the Natives of that place give them about One hundred and twenty
 blankets,two chinese trunks,and two guns. They have returned
 to Sitka,and all are satisfied,and good friends again.

The civil government does attempt to stop that sort of "jus-
 tice",and the governor who had been appealed to by the Sitka
 tribe had written to Killisnoo advising a peaceable settlement
 but strongly urged that no blankets be collected on such a thin
 claim,but the Indians settled the thing in their own way.

Received of James Sheakley, Governor of Alaska, Two hun-
 dreds of Rifle Ball "Cal 48. among the Indians
 residing on the Laggedo Island, Alaska.

Contractor.

F. E. Sheakley

Sitka Alaska, March, 9 1896.

Sitka, Alaska October 20, 1895.

Received of James Sheakley, Governor of Alaska, Two Hundred rounds of Rifle Ball Cartridges, Cal. 45, for use in shooting dogs in and about the town of Sitka. Said dogs being in great numbers, and a menace to the public safety.

George A. [Signature]

Chief of Police at Sitka, Alaska.

Washington, D.C.

I have the honor to state that I have not been relieved from the territory or the duties of my office since of my last report dated February 24, 1895.

Sitka Alaska, October 12, 1895.

Very respectfully,
Governor of Alaska.

Received of James Sheakley, Governor of Alaska, One Hundred rounds of Rifle Ball Cartridges, Cal. 45, for the use of my deputy at Kodiak Alaska, to protect life and property.

Samuel J. Williams

U.S. Marshal for the District of Alaska.

Sitka, Alaska, October 1, 1895.

Received of James Sheakley, Governor of Alaska, Two hundred rounds of Rifle Ball Cartridges, Cal 45. among the Indians while building a school-house on Kavilagidedo Island, Alaska.

Peter [Signature]
Contractor

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DISTRICT OF ALASKA,

Executive Office,

Sitka, March 31 st. 1896

To the,

Auditor of the State and other Departments,
Washington D.C.

Sir:

I have the honor to state that I have not been absent from the territory or the duties of my office since the date of my last report dated February 29 1895.

Very respectfully yours,

James Shubley
Governor of Alaska.

U.S. Marshal for the District

Alaska.

Sitka, Alaska, October 1895

Governor of Alaska, and
along the Indian
Inglisland, Alaska

DISTRICT OF ALASKA,

Executive Office,

Sitka, March, 31st. 1896

To the,

Hon. Thomas Holcomb,

Auditor for State and other Depts.

Washington D.C.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that the sum of seven hundred and fifty dollars be sent to my address in payment of my salary as governor of Alaska, for the third quarter ending March 31 of the fiscal year of 1896.

Respectfully yours.

James W. Huntley
Governor of Alaska.

March, 25, 1896

To the Honorable,
The Secretary of the Interior,
Washington D.C.

Sir:

We have the honor to state that in regard to the construction of a school-house and teachers residence at Douglas, Alaska, as per contract awarded Aug. 21 1895, that on account of a delay of your department in instructing the work to be immediately completed, additional expenses have been incurred as follows.

We have referred to the Governor of Alaska in the matter and he is willing to sanction our reasonable request.

Since the awarding of that contract, lumber and hardware have risen in price, and on the account of the loss of time we are constrained to ask of the Department an additional sum to that contract, of three hundred dollars.

If in the wisdom of the Department of the Interior the sum can not be allowed, a new bid must be offered, as we do not wish to work for nothing.

Respectfully yours.

Shields & Sonby
Contractors

*I have carefully examined
the above matter and believe
them to be reasonable and warranted
that the sum of \$300.00 should be allowed
James H. H. H.*

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Sitka Alaska, March, 26, 18

To the,
First National Bank,
Portland Oregon.

Gentlemen:

In reply to your favor of the 18th. inst, I am please
inform you that the check for the sum of \$161.39 drawn by
in favor of Shields and Smeby has been found and returned
me.

I have taken it up and have made a new one in favor
W.R. Curtis, purser of the Steamer "City of Topeka"

Respectfully yours,

James Smeby
Governor of Alaska.

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DISTRICT OF ALASKA,

Executive Office,

WEEKS, March 26, 1896

To Mr. J.

Executive Secretary,

Sacramento California.

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of March 25th. 1896. I have to say that there is no "Roster, or Blue Book" published for Alaska.

You are respectfully referred to the "Official Register of the United States, Legislative, Executive, and Judiciary for 1895. Pages 107, 108, and 109.

Yours very truly,

James W.ickersham
Governor of Alaska

James S. Shickel, Governor of Alaska, do hereby
 appoint Mr. Messmar M.D. of Fairbanks
 delegate to represent the Medical Department
 of the Militia of the Territory of Alaska at
 the Association of Military Surgeons
 held in the city of Philadelphia, Pa.
 to 14th. inclusive 1896.

In testimony whereof I have this twenty
 March eighteen hundred and ninety six set my hand
 caused the great seal of the Territory of Alaska to be
 affixed.

James Shickel
 Governor of Alaska

A. W. W. ...
Baltimore

Dear Sir,
I have ...
vital ...
themselves.

The receipt
for ...

I have to state ...
and the way in which ...
be a proper exhibit at Mar ...

Private subscription ...
success, as in the case of the Panama Exposition of ...
the proposed one to be held in Mexico next year.

It will afford me great pleasure to make the ...
centennial known and to further this worthy enterprise with ...
means at my command, especially to accomplish ...
I am, Sir, ...

Very respectfully,
Yours,

James Sherman
Governor of Alaska

DISTRICT OF ALASKA.

Executive Office,

Sitka, March, 28 1896

Hon. General C. Perkins,

United States Senate,

Washington D.C.

March 31

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your esteemed favor of March 12th. 1896 with copies of Senate Bill 2484 enclosed. The bill is well drawn up but I am sorry to state that it is not in accordance with the present conditions.

There are no organized cities or towns in this territory, and no one officially or otherwise can be authorized to receive or expend this license money. Neither is there any real estate, and no one could give the bond required by Section Five.

Allowing druggists to sell without a license

No one having obtained a license should be permitted to ship liquors into Alaska, without first submitting an invoice of his order for liquors to the Collector of Customs, and getting his permit to have such liquors shipped to his address.

There are no peace officers in the Territory as is required by Section Eleven. It is very difficult to understand our peculiar situation, without a personal explanation. The bill introduced by Senator Perkins is not sufficient. I believe that it covers the ground sufficiently

to do something to restrict this

Senator Perkins.

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great evil, during the present session, and with greeting to yourself, I am,

Very respectfully yours,

James H. ...

March 31 1896

To the ,
Auditor for the State and other Depts.
Washington D.C.

Sir:

I have the honor to herewith enclose my account for the disbursement of the appropriation for the incidental and contingent expenses of the territory of Alaska, for the quarter ending March 31 1896.

Respectfully yours,

James W.ickersham
Governor of Alaska.

April, 16. 1896.

To,

Brig. Genl. W.D. Flagler,
Chief of Ordnance,
Washington D.C.

Sir:

In reply to your favor of March 28th. I have the honor to say, that for two years last past, every effort has been made to recover the property belonging to the Government, and I believe that nothing more can be done, and no more of the property can be found.

I applied to the Alaska Mining Co. for the five guns you mention, and they claimed that the guns had been returned several years ago. The population changes so rapidly in Alaska, that it is very difficult to keep account of anything.

It is ten or twelve years since these guns were given out to the people, for the purpose of defending themselves against the Indians, and I do not believe that my predecessors should be held responsible for the property.

I am anxious to serve you in any way to the end of having the account satisfactorily closed up, and will be glad to have you indicate any action I may take.

Very respectfully yours.

James Sheakley
Governor of Alaska.

April, 30, 1896

Hon. Thomas Halecomb,
Auditor for the State and other Depts,
Washington D.C.

Sir:

I have the honor to state that I have not been absent from
the Territory or the duties of my office during the month of April
1896.

Respectfully yours,

James Shearney
Governor of Alaska.

April, 24, 1896

Received of the United States, Treasury Warrant, dated April
8th. 1896, for the sum of seven hundred and fifty dollars, and
numbered No. 4237, payable at the First Natl Bank at Portland Ore.

Being the amount of my salary, as Governor of Alaska, for the
quarter ending March 31 1896.

\$ 750

James Shearney
Governor of Alaska.

April, 27 1896

To the,

Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Washington D.C.

Sir:

As per your request of March 30, 1896 ("A") I have the
honor to herewith enclose estimate of funds to pay the Indian
police in this Territory for the fiscal year ending June 30 1897.

Respectfully,

James W.ickersham
Governor of Alaska

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April, 28, 1896

Rev. William Duncan,
New Metlakatla, Alaska.

My dear Sir:

In reply to your letter in regard to postal conditions at your place, I can say that there is but one way to regulate it, and that is to get up a petition to have a post route established between Ketchikan and Metlakatla. In your petition state the number of people to be accommodated, how it is proposed to carry this mail, open boat sail boat or steamer, the number of miles, how often, and about what it will cost per annum. Address the petition to the Postmaster General, and forward it to me and I will indorse it and send it on. Is there any one else at Ketchikan who would take better care of the post office and out-side peoples interests I will do anything I can in assisting you to have it satisfactorily arranged.

No one can fish on streams on Annett Island, and in case they do you should write the facts to the Secretary of the Interior. It would be well to present the whole case to the Secretary. I do not know of any law to prevent people from fishing else-where. Congress appears to neglect Alaska entirely.

Wishing you further success and prosperity, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

James S. Shinkley
Governor of Alaska.

April, 23, 1896

Mr. Joseph Zubeff,
Killisnoo Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Yours of the ninth inst. recd. I know of no law that prohibits men from fishing, and I have no authority whatever to say to any one that they shall not fish for halibut in Alaskan waters.

The custom of hiring and helping the Natives all that is possible without too great a sacrifice to business interests, is most commendable and good, and I believe it to be the best policy for all, but there lacks the laws to compel white men to do so or to drive them off halibut banks. In the matter of streams it is different.

If there is some way to protect fishing grounds in inland waters near Indians homes and claimed by them, I would be glad to work to that end.

Yours very truly,

James Healy
Governor of Alaska.

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April, 29 1896.

G.G.Wickson & Co.,
San Francisco, Cal.

Sirs:

Some time ago I ordered stationery and some supplies from you. The goods have been received as per order, but I have received no bill. I wish to order further one each of green copying blue copying, and purple copying W.S.&B. Paragon typewriter ribbons. Is there any made that have ink only on one side, thus preventing type from becoming filled with ink? Please note how the ribbon now in use on this machine fills the type as I write.

I enclose herewith blank vouchers in duplicate. Will you please make out the total bill, and receipt it in ink on them and return. In a former letter I asked you for a description of the newest thing in the line of copying letters, if you have them.

Yours truly,

James Sheakley.

Governor of Ala.

Per. *J.E.S.*

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May, 7 1896

Mr. E. W. Beasley,
Yakatat, Alaska.

Sir:

Yours enclosing receipt received. There is no fund to pay the expense of Norkane coming to Sitka. If the bill allowing the governor to appoint justices of the peace would pass Congress I could give you a peace officer of that kind. Small provision is made by the Government to afford any of the civil officers to visit Yakatat, but if I can possibly arrange I will be there this summer. I am at a loss to understand how Seetuck Jack became possessed with the idea that he was an appointed policeman, by a special request George Norkane has been appointed for Yakatat and that will be all that will be appointed for that place. There will be no way possible to pay him for any services he may have rendered, and the sooner he so understands the better. I would be pleased to increase the native police force in Alaska, but those things are regulated by act of Congress, and the embodied appropriation. You can say to Seetuck Jack, that I am pleased with the report of his actions and trust that he will continue to lend his aid in suppressing crime, and in endeavoring to better the condition of his people. I have to inform you that the Government has cut down the number of copies of my annual report, and unless I am furnished with some additional copies, I will not be able to furnish you with one. Norkane has, as yet, made no complaint to me in reference to the matter of the schooner of Johnson. Thanking you for your interest in the matter of Indian police, and wishing you the compliments of the season, I remain, Resp. *James Shuck*

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May, 7, 1896

First Natl. Bank,

Portland Oregon.

Sirs:

I have to request that you will furnish me with a book of
blank checks, at your convenience, also a statement of account.

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Very respectfully yours.

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James Healey
Governor of Alaska.

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Hon. C.J. Erdman M.C.
Washington D.C.

My dear Sir:

I have your favor of March 26 in regard to my appeal to the Comptroller of the Treasury, for the sum of three hundred and twenty seven and 60/100 dollars, being the amount I disbursed of the appropriation for "the Contingent and Incidental Expenses of the Territory of Alaska, to be expended under the direction of the governor in traveling to and from Washington D.C. on business for the territory.

I am deeply indebted to you for the pains you have taken in the matter, and wish to thank you for your kindness. I am of the opinion, and I thank you for concurring with me as you, that the decision of the Comptroller is an injustice to me, and not within the spirit or intention of the law making the appropriation. In as much as, through divers disallowances, I have not been able to use the appropriation of two thousand dollars, this year and must needs turn over twelve hundred dollars of same back into the Treasury, if Congress lacks the power to make appropriations, where then does such a power ~~rest~~ vest.

I have a notion, and I would like your opinion in the matter to let you make a case of it and take it to the Court of Claims. If you think such a course advisable, please let me hear from you at your convenience. With kindest regards to yourself and family I remain, Very truly yours.

James Sheakley
Governor of Alaska.

May, 13. 1898.

Rev. W.W. Warner,
Chilcat Alaska.

Dear Sir:

In the accounts of the pay of the Indian police of Alaska, there appears a ballance of \$14.19, which amount is the even sum of a check written in favor of Mrs. Kent-a-Kouse, drawn August 13 1895.

This check is either in the possession of the Indian receiving it or has been lost. Will you kindly try to find the same, and have it cashed and sent to San Francisco, where it belongs.

Remember me kindly to the family, and let me hear from you at any time.

Very truly yours,

James Healey
Governor of Alaska

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May 14, 1896

Hon. Charles S. Hawlin,
Acting Secretary of the Treasury,
Washington D.C.

Sir:

In reply to your communication of April 7 1896. (form 138.0ak)
I have the honor to herewith enclose affidavits of sureties of
John G. Brady and Edward de Groff, sureties on my official bond as
S.D.A. to disburse the appropriation for the incidental and con-
tingent expenses of the territory of Alaska.

Very respectfully yours.

James Shockey
Governor of Alaska

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May, 23, 1896.

To the,

Hon Henry Lund,

Consul for Sweden and Norway,

San Francisco California.

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of April 23, 1896. Viktor Ryberg and Thomas Williams were murdered by the Indians May 5 1895. The Indians Tas-koo-ney, She-coon-ish, and Tchum-kah were arrested, tried, and convicted of the crime of manslaughter, and are serving terms in the penitentiary at San Quentin California, as follows: Tas-koo-ney, two years, the other two, three years each. All sentenced in the month of November 1895.

Williams and Wyberg were on a small sloop engaged in unlawfully selling contraband whiskey to the natives, and they, becoming intoxicated, murdered both the men. Viktor Wyberg left no property or money in Alaska.

Very truly,

James W.ickersham
Governor of Alaska.

June, 8, 1896

G.G. Wickson & Co,

San Francisco, Cal.

Sirs:

The supplies ordered from you have arrived, and are O.K. F
Please find encl. Ck. for amt. of bill. Send the Type Cleaner
and also the bath you describe for copying letters. I enclose
vouchers in duplicate. Please make receipted bill on same and re-
turn.

Respectfully.

James Sheakley.

Per. *James Sheakley*

May 31, 1896.

To the,
Auditor for the State and other Depts.
Washington D.C.

Sir:

I have the honor to state that I have not been absent from
the Territory of Alaska nor the duties of my office since my last
report, dated April 30, 1896.

Respectfully yours.

James S. Shickley
Governor of Alaska.

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June 25, 1898

To the
Commanding Officer,
Benicia Arsenal,
Benicia Cal.

Sir:

I have this day shipped to you, via Pacific Coast S.S.Co, twenty three Springfield rifles. For the disposal of these arms the Chief of Ordnance has written to me as follows; "they can be shipped to the Commanding Officer of Benicia Arsenal, Cal., and his receipt taken therefor", I have therefore done as above.

I enclose in duplicate Invoice of Ordnance. Please return receipt in duplicate to me.

Very respectfully yours.

James S. Swanley
Governor of Alaska.

Form 1775

Assistant Treasurers will inclose a copy of this Form with each statement reported to Disbursing Officers.

Edith Alton
June 27, 1896

U. S. Assistant Treasurer,

San Francisco Cal.

Sir:

I have received your statement of my disbursing account dated

May 31 1896

and find the balance, viz

\$ 1428.81, therein reported, to be correct.

I have also examined the numbers, dates, and amounts of the debit and credit entries therein reported, and the same agree with my records.

Respectfully yours,

James Sheakley
GOVERNOR OF ALASKA

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June , 30, 1896.

To the
Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Washington D.C.

Sir:

I have the honor to herewith enclose, "Abstract of Disbursements", "Account Current", and vouchers Nos. 1 to 21, for the third and fourth quarters of the fiscal year ending June 30th. 1896.

(in duplicate.)

Respectfully yours.

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James Shuckley
Governor of Alaska.

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June, 30, 1896.

To the,

Commissioner of Indian Affairs,

Washington, D.C.

Sir:

I have the honor to herewith enclose "Report of Employees in Service" in Alaska during the third and fourth quarters of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1896.

Respectfully yours.

Governor of Alaska.

Two enclosures.

June, 30, 1896.

To the,

Asst. Treasurer of the U.S.,

San Francisco Cal.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find check No. 10028, dated June 30, 1896 in your favor for one hundred and sixty and 81/100 (\$160.81) dollars, which amount please place to the credit of the Treasurer of the United States on account of "Pay of Indian Police" 1896, and forward me certificate of deposit in triplicate.

Respectfully,

James Henry
Governor of Alaska, and Special Disbursing Agt.

June, 30, 1896.

To the,
Auditor for the State and other Depts.
Washington D.C.

Sir:

I have the honor to herewith transmit the statement of account of the disbursement of the Appropriation for the Contingent and Incidental Expenses of the Territory of Alaska, for the quarter ending the fiscal year of 1896.

Respectfully yours.

James Sheakley
Governor of Alaska.

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June 30, 1896

To the,
Hon. Thomas Holcomb,
Auditor for State and other Depts.,
Washington D.C.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that the sum of seven hundred and fifty dollars be sent to my address, in payment of my salary as governor of Alaska, for the fourth quarter ending June 30th. 1896, of the fiscal year 1896.

Respectfully yours.

James Shearley
Governor of Alaska.

June 30, 1896.

To the,
Auditor for the State and other Depts.,
Washington D.C.

Sir:

I have the honor to state that I have not been absent from the Territory or the duties of my office since my last report dated May 31, 1896.

Respectfully,

James Shearley
Governor of Alaska.

June, 30 1896.

To the ,
Cashier of the Lst. Natl. Bank,
Portland, Oregon ,

Sir:

I have the honor to herewith enclose my check, dated at Sitka, Alaska June 30 1896, in your favor, for \$123.47. Please deposit the same to the credit of the Treasurer of the United States, on account of the Appropriation for the Contingent and Incidental Expenses of the Territory of Alaska, and return certificate of deposit to me in triplicate .

Resoectfully.

James Shearley
Governor of Alaska.

July, 2, 1896.

Mr. R.W. Beasley
Yakutat, Alaska.

Sir:

Yours of June 26 recd did not know that Mr. Johnson had a schooner, and the Captain of the Cutter was not requested by me or anyone to seize it. The business of the United States Revenue Cutters in Alaskan waters is principally to seize vessels that are illegally sealing. I have nothing whatever to do with the execution of their instructions or purposes.

I will order the Clerk of the Court to forward to you a new commission as Notary.

Yours truly,

James Shoenberger
Governor of Alaska.

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July, 6, 1896.

To the Honorable,
Judson Harmon,
Attorney General of the United States.
Washington D .C.

Sir:

I have carefully examined the statement of Burton E. Bennett, U.S. Attorney for the District of Alaska, in regard to the claim of Michael Travers to Japonsky Island, and all the exhibits annexed thereto, and believe them to be correct.

Said information is asked for in your letter April 16th. 1896, (initials A.J.B.), file number 7.11, 244-- 1891,°

I am acquainted with all the parties, and have been on the ground myself. I will be glad to furnish any further information that you may desire.

I have the honor to be,

Very respectfully yours.

James Sheakley
Governor of Alaska.

July, 8th. 1896.

Hon. Scott Nesbit, of Alaska
Chief Division of Appointments.

Sir: Washington D.C.

Sir, the board to request
Replying to your letter of June 16 in regard to the bond of
the John G. Brady and Carl Spahr I have the honor to herewith enclose
the certification of Hon. Burton H. Bennett, United States Attorney,
as per your instructions and request.

Respectfully yours.

James Cheek
Governor of Alaska.

July, 13, 1896.

To the

Hon. Wm. S. Johnson,
Chief, Division of Bookkeeping and Warrants,
Office of the Comptroller of the Treasury, Washington D.C.

Sir:

Wash.

I have the honor to request that you will kindly send to me, when published, a copy of the "Digest of Appropriations for the fiscal year of 1897."

Very respectfully yours,

James Sheakley
Governor of Alaska.

July, 24, 1896.

To the Honorable,

The Secretary of State.

Washington, D.C.

Sir:

Replying to your communication of July, 8, 1896, in regard to "licenses and other documents, and their cost, if any, which have to be obtained by British commercial travelers etc.," I have the honor to state that there are no licenses or documents or tax required by commercial travelers from any country by the laws governing Alaska.

I have the honor to, sir, your obedient servant.

James Shepley
GOVERNOR of ALASKA.

July, 24, 1896.

Mr. William Hamilton,

Washington D.C.

Dear Sir.

The school-house on Douglas Island will be finished about the 10th/ of August next. It is a good building and has comfortable rooms for the teacher. There is a plan of the building on file in the Department at Washington. This new building will be No. 2, white school. It is located near the Treadwell Mill, and will be used largely by the children of the employees of that establishment. The school on the hill near the Quaker Mission, will go right on, same as usual, as there is need of a school at that point for white children, and it is white school No. 1. The Indian children are looked after by the Mission.

Mr. L.A. Jones, as teacher of No. 1, will do very well if he will remain at the salary. I would not, recommend Miss Lee as a teacher for No. 2, as I fear she has become too old. I was of that opinion four or five years ago.

Mr. Duncan, the Superintendent of the Treadwell Mill, and others residing there have requested that Mrs. Adams, who formerly taught No. 1, at Douglas, be sent as teacher of No. 2 at Douglas, and I would recommend that she be given the position. Mrs. Adams is now in San Francisco, Cal. I received a letter from Captain Hooper, written at Oonaiaska, in which he says that Dr. Jackson has gone North on the Bear, but will probably be in Sitka in August. The Captain also says that "Friar Tuck" has departed from there, and that an air of peace pervades. He thinks that the buildings will

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have to be taken down and rebuilt, at that place. The teachers
for Sits, Miss Patton, and Mrs. Knapp, are on a visit in Pennsylv-
vania, but will return in time for the opening of the schools.

Fred. has been looking after the construction of the house at
Douglas, and will accept it for the Government when completed, and
report to your Department.

Very truly yours,

James Shepley
Governor of Alaska.

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July, 24, 1896.

To the Honorable,
John M. Reynolds,
Acting Secretary, Dept. of Interior.
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

Replying to your communication of July 2, 1896, requesting that my annual report be submitted not later than Sept. 1st. next, I have the honor to state that much information that I wish to embody in said report will not be available until after that date, and I regret to say that it will not be possible to submit report until about Oct. 1st. 1896.

Very respectfully yours.

James H. Peckley
Governor of Alaska.

July, 24, 1896.

Messrs G.G.Wickson & Co.,
San Francisco Cal.

Sirs:

Please find enclosed P.M.O., No. 3450, above date, for six dollars, the amount of your bill dated July, 1, 1896. The type cleaning attachment is a success.

Respectfully yours.

J. S. Shively
Private Secretary.

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(Form 1709)

No. 26. Office of Assistant Treasurer U.S.,
At San Francisco Cal. Jul. 20, 1896.

I certify that James Sheukley Gov. of Alaska
Sitka, Alaska, this day deposited to the credit of the Treasurer
of the United States. One hundred and Sixty and 81/100 Dol-
lars on account of unexpended balance, "Pay of Indian Police"
for which I have signed duplicate receipts.

\$160.81

C. P. Berry.
Assistant Treasurer U.S.

D U P L I C A T E .

To be retained by depositor.

Certificates of deposit on account of repayments etc. are
issued in duplicate only.

Recent instructions from the Secretary of the Treasury re-
quire that all original C/D be mailed to him from this office the
same day that deposit is made.

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Aug. 24, 1896.

To the,
U.S. Commissioner,
Wrangell, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith please find "Certificate of Interpreter" in triplicate, which is self-explanatory. Will you please have any interpreter sign his name and write the date in the same. Mr. Kelley has always attended to these matters, and if he is still in Wrangell he will explain, but if he has departed, then I suppose I am addressing Mr. Jackson. In the absence of Mr. Kelley I would suggest that you get Willie Lear for interpreter, he, first being willing, ^{to certify} that William H. Lewis, has received his pay for the third and fourth quarters for the fiscal year 1896.

Yours .

James Shultz
Per J. C.

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AUG. 24. 1896.

To the,
Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Washington D.C.

Sir:

In explanation of the suspensions in the settlement of my account rendered June 30, 1896, as Spl. Dis. Agt. for the pay of the Indian police in Alaska, I have the honor to submit the following.

The amount charged to me of \$169.81, is herewith shown to have been deposited with the Asst. Treas. of U.S., by a copy of his receipt enclosed.

Voucher No. 4 - Augustus Bean.

New certified voucher enclosed, in duplicate.

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Voucher No. 8 - William H. Lewis.

As instructed, a new certificate has been sent to him and upon its return to me, signed, it will be forwarded to you.

Voucher No. 13. Samuel Johnson.

An additional cash report of employees containing his name is herewith enclosed in duplicate.

Respectfully yours.

James Henry
Governor of Alaska & S.D.A.

Assistant Secretary of Indian Affairs

Washington D C

I have the honor to request the sum of \$2760.00, be sent to pay the Indian Police of Alaska for the fiscal year of 1897.

Respectfully,

James Shearley
Governor of Alaska and S.D.A

Sept. 8, 1896.

To the

Auditor for the State and other Departments,
Washington D.C.

Sir:

I have the honor to report to you that I have not been absent from the Territory of Alaska, or the duties of my office since the date of my last report.

James Shearley
Governor of Alaska

Sept. 8, 1896.

To the ,

Secretary of the Treasury,
Washington D.C.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) be sent to me, out of the appropriation for the incidental and contingent expenses of Alaska.

Respectfully,

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Sept. 8th. 1896.

To the Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury,
Washington D.C.

Sir:

I have the honor to request the sum of one thousand dollars be sent to me for the purpose indicated in H.R. 8293 in the Senate of the United States April, 21, 1896, 54th. Congress, 1st. Session, an Act making appropriations to supply deficiencies in the appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30th. 1896, and for prior years, and for other purposes, on page 20, lines 17 to 21 inclusive, in which Section nineteen hundred and thirty five (1935) of the Revised Statutes of the United States * is hereby extended to include the Territories of Alaska and Oklahoma. *

This is a proper and necessary expenditure, and one that has in the past two years been met by me personally.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

James S. Sheskey
Governor of Alaska.

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CL. 27

October 1st. 1896.

To the Honorable,
The Secretary of the Interior,
Washington D.C.

Sir:

I have the honor to herewith transmit my annual report as
required by the act of Congress approved May 17, 1874.

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James Sheakley
Governor of Alaska.

Oct. 7th. 1896.

Rev. Sheldon Jackson.

Washington D.C.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your favor of recent date, requesting my opinion as to what action the United States should take in regard to the reservation of the point of land lying between the Illiluck river and Unalaska bay in the village of Unalaska.

I would advise that the Government relinquish and abandon said reservation as being entirely unnecessary besides being too expensive. The Alaska Commercial Company has occupied this tract of land for a period of twenty five years, and have erected thereon a wharf, several ware-houses, store houses, dwelling houses, and water works, all of which would be valued at not less than one hundred thousand dollars, and if the Government wishes to continue this reservation it will have to reimburse the company to that amount.

I have been personally on the ground and understand the situation.

Very respectfully yours.

James Shively
Governor of Alaska.

Oct. 7. 1896.

Rev. J.H. Schoechert,
Carmel, Nushagak,
Alaska.

My dear Sir:

Your esteemed favor of August came to hand by the last "Dora" and I very much regret that I can not comply with your request and appoint a Justice of the Peace, as the existing law does not allow the governor to appoint such an officer.

I went to Washington D.C. two years ago for the purpose of having Congress pass an Act giving the Governor of Alaska the power to appoint Justices of the Peace and Constables; the bill passed the House of Representatives, but failed in the Senate.

I sympathize with you very much, and am fully aware of the necessity and urgent need of such officers as above mentioned, trust that Congress may soon grant the desired authority.

It was held, by some of my predecessors, (and not without foundation), that such power was vested in the Governor of Alaska, but the Attorney General of the United States decided some three years ago, that no such authority existed.

Very respectfully,

James Shielley
Governor of Alaska

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William Raymond
 Juneau Alaska.
 Sir:

You have a right to take fish from
 the Ocean anywhere, but in regard to
 fishing in streams there are certain
 regulations, see the law, Salmon fisheries
 in Alaska, Vol 25 Page 1009, also act passed
 by the last Congress amending same.
 see Statutes of the U.S. first session of the 54th
 Congress 1895-1896. page 316, June 9, 1896.
 Chap. 387. You can find these laws
 in the Commissioner's Office at Juneau.

Yours Respectfully
 James Steele
 per J.S.D.

GOVERNOR OF ALA.

Cornely,
Foreign Dept.,

National Exposition of Mexico

I beg to inform you that I have appointed
Sheldon Jackson, Esq., as the representative of
Alaska at the exposition being

This appointment is in accordance with those a
former letter. Dr. Jackson

is of the Bureau of Education.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Respectfully yours,

James H. ...
please place to my
credit and always
Yours truly,
James H. ...

Oct. 9. 1896.

Vicomte R. de Cornely,

Director Foreign Dept.,

National Exposition of Mexico

Dear Sir:

I beg to inform you that I have this day, appointed the Rev. Sheldon Jackson D.D. a Commissioner to represent the Territory of Alaska at the exposition now being held in the City of Mexico.

This appointment is in addition to those already named by me in a former letter. Dr. Jackson's address is now Washington D.C. in care of the Bureau of Education.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Respectfully yours,

William A. Steiwer
Governor of Alaska.

Sitka, Alaska, October 9th. 1896.

Hon. William T. Harris,
Com'r. of Education,
Washington D.C.

Sir:

We have the honor to herewith enclose, as per your request in your communication of September 24th. 1896, new vouchers for the sum of \$1,730.00, the contract price of the school-house and teachers residence at Douglas Island, Alaska, erected by us.

We very much regret the decision of the Comptroller, as it entails serious loss, and we feel that if the matter was fully appreciated the claim would be allowed.

Very respectfully yours.

Shildes & Souby
Contractors.

Oct. 9. 1896.

Jacob Lawiek, Charles Martin,
Karluk, Alaska.

Sirs:

There is a law prohibiting white men from killing fur bearing animals within the District of Alaska. The only modification to that law that I can find now is in the following copy of a Treasury Regulation. vis:

" KILLING OF FUR BEARING ANIMALS.

" Department Circular No. 7 1896. Treasury Department.

" Office of the Secretary.

" Washington D.C. Jan. 9, 1896

" Department Circular No 56, dated April 14, 1893, wherein white men married to Natives, and residing within the Territory of Alaska are denied the the privileges of killing fur-bearing animals, is hereby modified in such manner as to confer the privileges specified in said circular upon white men who married natives, and engaged in otter hunting in said Territory, prior to March 2, 1893, in faith of previous rulings of the Department.

" J.G. Carlisle"
Secretary.

Yours truly.

James S. Buckley
Governor of Alaska

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Sept. 30, 1896.

To the Auditor,
for the State and other Departments,
Washington. D.C.

Sir:

I have the honor to herewith enclose my statement of the account of the disbursement of the Appropriation for the Incidental and Contingent Expenses of the Territory of Alaska, for the first quarter, ending September 30, 1896, of the fiscal year of 1897.

Respectfully yours.

James S. Stearns
Governor of Alaska.

Oct. 14, 1896.

To the ,
Chief of Ordnance,
Washington, D.C.

Sir.

I have the honor to herewith enclose the receipt of the Lieut. of Ordnance at San Francisco, Cal. for twenty three springfield rifles that I shipped to him by your instructions contained in your letter of April 4th.--Subject, - Disposition of property. 1896.

The five hundred cartridges will be very useful to the Indian police, and will be looked after under my direction. The enclosed receipt for the five hundred cartridges, is also respectfully submitted to relieve me of further responsibility of their care.

This closes all matters pertaining to the affairs of the Alaska Militia, and I trust that you will see your way clear to close the account.

Very respectfully yours.

James Shepley
Governor of Alaska

2 enclosures.

September, 30, 1896.

To the,
Auditor for the State and other Departments,
Washington D.C.

Sir:

I have the honor to state that I have not been absent from
the Territory nor the duties of my office during the month of
September, 1896.

Very respectfully,

James S. Shively
Governor of Alaska.

October 31. 1896.

To the Auditor
For the State and other Departments,
Washington D.C.

Sir:

I have the honor to state that I have not been absent from
the Territory of Alaska nor the duties of my office since the
date of my last report dated Sept. 30, 1896.

Respectfully yours.

James W.ickersham
Governor of Alaska.

Nov. 2. 1896.

Commissioner of Indian Affairs.

Washington D. C.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of Oct. 10 '96. ("A" 845-96. 27904-96.), it is a physical impossibility, at times, to mail accounts within the time specified by Sec. 12. This is occasioned by the length of time it requires to send vouchers to, and have returned from the Indian Policemen.

There are but two mails per month between Sitka and Seattle, Wash., and they are frequently late and not on schedule time; for example a mail steamer arrived here on Oct 10, and the next one on Oct. 31, being twenty one days between mails. To the westward at Yakutat where there is one Indian Policeman (George Norkane) there are seven mails per annum, frequently delayed; thus there are five months in which we have no communication with this Policeman whatsoever. His vouchers are left in the care of the merchant there, and at the expiration of the second and of the fourth quarters of each year they are signed by the Policeman and returned to me as quickly as possible, and if delayed it prevents the account being closed and mailed, although perhaps complete with the exception of this voucher. Chilcat and Houkan are two other remote points from which vouchers come very slowly, but those out lying places are where the Policemen are needed the most.

I endeavor to have the accounts correct in every particular and mailed at the earliest moment, and the account referred to in your letter above was made as soon as possible and its letter of transmittal is on file in my office June 30, 1896, followed by letters concerning matters, dated July 2, 3, 4, &c. There was a mail on the 8th. of July, but the account was incomplete, and the next mail was on July 24, on

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which it was mailed, but was ready to go much sooner.

This is not an Indian Agency and I am not an Indian Agent, but I devote a great deal of time to the Indian Police, attending to it that good and efficient men are appointed and that they do their duty properly, for it is a means of accomplishing great good amongst these people, and I am glad to have the opportunity of so doing.

I have referred to this difficulty of time in former letters, and in my letter of December 18, (referred in yours as 20,) I stated that "Adelay has been occasioned by the length of time it takes to get vouchers from Chilcat." And also "P.S. Chilcat is three hundred miles from here, and has but one mail per month, and when vouchers are not returned promptly a great delay is caused".

It is the intention to do the very best I can under the circumstances and trust that the money to pay the Indian Police will be made available that they may be paid at the end of the present quarter.

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Governor of Alaska.

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Very respectfully yours. 7

James Healy
Governor of Alaska.

October 31, 1896.

Agt. Express Co.
Los Angeles,
Cal.

Sir:

I take the liberty of writing you in regard to the following:
A gentleman by the name of Edwin K. Alpaugh left a pair of field
glasses here this summer. Discovering his loss he wrote me to
send them to the Express Office at Los Angeles to be held until
called for, but he failed to state what express office. Will you
kindly inform me if the person in question has called for these
glasses, and if he has not will you hand this letter to some other
express office, or furnish me with any information as to his ad-
dress you may be able to obtain. The address "express office"
being so vague I will hold glasses until I get fuller direction.

Respectfully yours.

F. E. Sheakley.

Nov. 17th. 1896.

To the Honorable,
The Secretary of the Interior,
Washington D.C.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that five hundred copies of my
annual report be sent to me, for distribution.

Very respectfully,

Your obtant. Serv't.

James Cheekley
Governor of Alaska.

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November, 17th. 1896.

To the President,
Executive Mansion,
Washington D.C.

Sir:

I have the honor to forward the the enclosed paper, received at this office November 5th. 1896. This petition is dated at Glacier Creek, Alaska. Said creek is a tributary of the Yukon River, and a part of the Yukon Mining Region. The petition contains the names of two hundred and seventy three men who claim to have been working in these gold mines under the impression that they were in American Territory.

I understand that no surveyor or engineer on part of the United States were present when Mr. Ogilvie on the part of Canada made the survey, and fixed this dividing line. I also understand that Mr. Ogilvie does not claim this line to be the permanent boundary until agreed to by the engineers on the part of the United States.

He claims by scientific observations made at different times and covering several years, that his last survey is as near the one hundred and forty first meridian as may be. He also claims that it agrees with the survey made by Mr. Mc Grath, engineer on the part of the United States.

Very respectfully your obedient servant.

James S. Stearns
Governor of Alaska.

November, 23, 1896.

Mr. A.S.Wadleigh,
San Francisco,
Cal.

Dear Sir:

We are going to try this winter to have Congress pass an Act empowering th governor to appcint Justices of the Peace and con- stables. If we fail in that,we will ask the Commissioner and deputy Marshall at Wrangell to go over and stop at Klawaack during the season. The deputy Marshal has already told me that he would be willing to go there,and I think that the Commissioner will go if I ask him. Id any event there will be some provision made for a court and constable at Klawaack this summer. It is to be hoped that you will not find it necessary to bring any more chinamen into the country.

With the compliments of the season to you and trusting that you will enjoy your Christmas turkey in civilization, I remain,

Yours truly.

James Shearney
Governor of Alaska.

November. 23, 1896.

Charles Hitly, J. McMahon,
and others:

Gentlemen:

I received your petition in regard to the boundary between Alaska and Canada on the 8th. day of November 1896. I deeply sympathize with you and will do all I can to have this boundary question settled as soon as possible.

I sent your petition, which was signed by two hundred and seventy three miners, to the President of the United States. Congress at its last session passed an Act appropriating the sum of seventy five thousand dollars for the purpose of having this matter brought to a close.

General Duffield, one of the Commission on the part of the United States, was here last summer looking over the situation, and getting what information he could. I believe that some action will be taken this winter that will fix that part of the boundary definitely.

The petition you sent to me is a proper and timely paper, and will have the effect you intended, by bringing the question before the President and the Department of State in a tangible and forcible manner.

Having spent much time in the mines as a miner myself, I can appreciate the extent of your difficulties, and will do all in my power to assist you. I am,

Very sincerely yours.

James W.ickersham
Governor of Alaska.

November 24, 1896.

Hon. C.K. Davis, M.C.
United States Senate,
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir:

I take the liberty of enclosing to you a bill, which if it could become a law would greatly benefit our territory. The enclosed letters received by me from several places in Alaska, will indicate to you the necessity of this law.

Two years ago the House passed a similar bill, but it failed in the Senate. Our people would consider it a very great favor if you would have the kindness to endeavor to have this bill become a law.

At all the remote and inaccessible places in this roadless country, there are persons whose interests and ability render them fully capable to fill the offices referred to in the bill, and the fact must be considered that many of the smaller crimes go unpunished for the reason that it is not worth the time and heavy expense of taking the cases to the nearest court.

This bill if passed will also furnish the remote sections with courts without expense to the Government. The idea to create more Commissioners for Alaska at a salary of one thousand dollars and fees per annum, would be a useless expense to the Government, and accomplish much less.

Thanking you for document sent to me, I am, Sir,

Very sincerely yours,

James S. Henkle
Governor of Alaska

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

That the Governor of Alaska be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to appoint Justices of the Peace and Constables in and for the District of Alaska.

Said Justices of the Peace and Constables shall exercise all the duties and powers, civil and criminal conferred on Justices of Peace and Constables under the general laws of the State of Oregon in force May seventeenth, one thousand eight hundred and eighty four, so far as the same may be applicable in said District and not in conflict with the laws of the United States.

Said Justices of the Peace shall keep a record of all fines and forfeitures received by them and shall pay over the same quarterly to the Clerk of the United States District Court in and for said District of Alaska.

Each of said Justices of the Peace and Constables before entering on the duties of his office shall take and subscribe an oath that he will faithfully execute the same: And each of the said Justices of the Peace shall execute a bond with sufficient sureties in the penalty of five hundred dollars for the faithful performance of his duties, and file the same with the governor before entering on the duties of his office.

In all civil cases, by common law, any issue of fact shall be determined by a jury, at the instance of either party; and an appeal shall lie in any case, civil or criminal, from the court of said Justices of the Peace to the aforesaid District Court as provided in Section Seventh of the Act of Congress establishing a civil government for Alaska, approved May 17th, 1864.

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November, 25, 1896.

To the Honorable,
The Secretary of the Treasury,
Washington D.C.

Sir:

I have the honor to request the sum of five hundred dollars to be sent to me to be expended under the Appropriation for Contingent and Incidental Expenses of the Territory of Alaska.

Yours respectfully.

James W.ickersham
Governor of Alaska.

Sitka, Alaska, November 30th. 1896.

To the ,
Auditor for the State and other Depts.
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

I have the honor to state that I have not been absent from
the Territory of Alaska nor the duties of my office since the date
of my last report dated October 31, st 1896.

Respectfully.

James S. Shannley
Governor of Alaska.

Indian Office
Fairbanks
Nov. 14. 1896

Respectfully returned
to the Hon. Jas. Sheakley
Gov. of the Territory of Alaska.
The closing return for the
23 Springfield Rifles and
500 Cartridges in the
possession of the Indian
Commissioner at Fairbanks.
In relation to the 500
Cartridges receipted for
by the Chief of Indian Office,
it is desired that you
will state whether this
issue was made by your
own authority or upon
a request from the
Bureau of Indian Affairs
of the Interior Dept.
If in the latter, their
office can be mentioned
in the Interior Dept. for
the purpose of the return.

received for by the Chief
of Police. George K. Ketchum.

Brig. Gen. Chap. of Art.
U. S. Army.

Committed Office

Fairbanks Alaska

Dec. 17. 1896

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Respectfully

James Sheakley
Governor of Alaska

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December 31, 1896.

To the

Hon. Thomas W. Halcomb,

Auditor for the State and other Departments,

Washington D.C.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that the sum of one thousand five hundred (\$1,500.00) dollars, be sent by my address in payment of my salary as governor of Alaska, for the first and second quarters ending December 31st., 1896 of the present fiscal year.

Respectfully yours.

James Bheasley
Governor of Alaska.

December 23, 1896.

To the,

Hon. Thomas W. Halcomb,

Auditor for the State and other Departments,

Washington D.C.

Sir:

I have the honor to report that I have not been absent from the territory of Alaska, nor the duties of my office during the present month of December.

Respectfully yours.

James Bheasley
Governor of Alaska.

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To the,

Comm'r of Indian Affairs,

Washington D.C.

Sir:

I have the honor to herewith enclose, as per request in your office letter of Dec. 4, 1896, ("A" 44415-96), account current for the first quarter of the present fiscal year. For convenience and with your acquiescence I have paid the Police at the end of the second and fourth quarters of each year, and have made settlements heretofore accordingly, and not at the end of the first and third quarters at all. Monthly statements covering all the months of the first quarter of this year, showing "no funds" have been regularly sent to your Office, so then I made no settlement at the end of the quarter, deeming it unnecessary, as I had not done so before. I regret that this oversight of mine has put you to any trouble.

To day is the end of the second quarter of the present fiscal year, but having "no funds" the Police must wait until the money is made available. The next mail will arrive here in about twenty days hence, but will bring no communication from your office as it will leave Puget Sound too soon for reply. The following mail will probably arrive at Sitka in about forty days hence, in which mail I hope to be advised of the availability of the cash to pay the Indian Police as they need their money. At that time I can only render an account current and abstract of disbursements for the first and second quarters of the present fiscal year, and I wish to notify you now in advance of this inevitable delay. I also enclose, your letter of Dec 4 above referred to, suggesting it, an account current (no funds) for the second quarter of this fiscal year.

I am Sir,

Very respectfully yours,

James Shakerley
Governor of Alaska.

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October 17, 1900.

Mr. W. D. McHair,
Special Deputy Collector,
Sitka, Alaska.

Sir:

The U. S. Marshal boards the prisoners which are under his custody at Sitka. I believe, for the most part, he ships all of his supplies from Seattle and other points. I desire to learn what the amount of these shipments have been for the last year in tons, either by measurement or by weight.

I desire, also, to learn whether the usual amount per ton has been collected for wharfage.

This information is necessary for making up an estimate for boarding prisoners in the jail at Sitka.

Respectfully yours,

Governor of Alaska.

October 16, 1900.

Dr. A. S. ...

Medical Dept., Stockton, State Hospital,
Stockton, Cal.

Dear Sir:

Your letter dated September 12th with the enclosed bid for the care of the insane is received. A copy of which has been sent to the Secretary of the Interior. I consider this a reasonable bid but the matter of transportation has to be considered also.

Respectfully

John B. Brady
Governor of Alaska.

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October 16, 1900.

Mr. E. W. Faddock,
Lawyer,
Salt Lake, Utah.

Dear Sir:

Your letter dated September 17th is received.

Alaska is coming to the front all the time and I hardly think that you can make a serious mistake in coming here.

Ketchikan, in my opinion, is a very important one. The showing which has already been made there looks very well. The people are settling there more and more. The copper property on Prince of Wales Island is undergoing developments.

I did not meet Mr. Post on my trip down the Yukon this summer, but did meet the Clerk and Judge at Eagle. It is certainly a beautiful place and will make an important inland center.

There will be a telegraph connection from Valdez to Eagle, a part of the wire is now strung.

Respectfully yours,

John S. Brady
Governor of Alaska.

P.S. Under a separate cover, I send a copy of my report as requested.

October 16, 1900.

Mr. E. D. Saxeey,

Wood Island, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Your letter dated July 16th is received and will be turned over to the Secretary of the District who will give the desired information.

Respectfully yours,

John S. Brady
Governor of Alaska.

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