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San Francisco, Cal., July 6th., 1896.

His Excellency

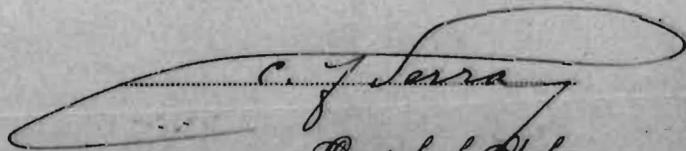
The Governor of Alaska

at Sitka

I beg to inform your Excellency that having been appointed by His Majesty the King of Italy, Consul at San Francisco, Cal., and recognized as such by His Excellency the President of the United States, I have already entered upon the discharge of my official duties.

I have the honor to be of your Excellency,

Most obedient servant,

  
C. J. Serra  
Consul of Italy.

DIVISION  
OF  
APPOINTMENTS.

*J*

Treasury Department,

Office of the Secretary,

Washington, D. C.,

July 23, 1896.

Mr. James Sheakley,

Disbursing Agent, Territory of Alaska,

Sitka, Alaska.

Sir:

✓  
The evidence of solvency of sureties on your current bond as  
Disbursing Agent for the Territory of Alaska was approved by the  
Acting Secretary of the Treasury on the 22nd instant.

Respectfully yours,

*Georgell M. Rose,*

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

*J*

*M*

Department of the Interior,

Washington, Aug. 5<sup>th</sup>, 1896

Governor of Alaska  
Sitka, Alaska

SIR:

I have the honor to inform you that I have this day sent to your address, by registered mail, for your official use, one copy of the reports of the Supreme Court of the United States, Volume 162, in accordance with the provisions of Section 683 of the Revised Statutes, and of an act of Congress approved February 12, 1889.

Please return the inclosed acknowledgment, duly signed, immediately upon receipt of the volume.

Very respectfully,

Geo. M. Reynolds  
Assistant Secretary.

OFFICE OF CLERK

U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals,  
FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT.

San Francisco, Cal., August 1, 1896.

Honorable James Sheakley,  
Governor of Alaska,  
Sitka.

Sir:-

As requested in your favor of the 14th ultimo, please find  
herewith copy of the opinion of our Court of Appeals in the case of the  
Schooner La Ninfa vs The United States, No. 24 here.

Please accept the same with my compliments.

Most respectfully yours,

*J. D. Moore*

Clerk.

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COPY, CERTIFICATE, DISBURSEMENTS.

Miscellaneous No. 5026

**Treasury Department,**

OFFICE OF THE

AUDITOR FOR THE STATE AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS.

August 29, 1896.

I hereby certify That I have examined and settled an account between the United States and James Shealley, Governor of Alaska, Disbursing

on account of appropriation for Contingent Expenses, Territory of Alaska, 1896

from April 1, 1896, to June 30, 1896, under

official bond dated Oct 13, 1893, and find a balance due the said

account balanced of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Dollars.

J. J. Willis  
Auditor for the State and other Departments.

NSW

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Auditor.

To the Secretary of the Treasury,  
(Director of Bookkeeping and Warrants.)

To the Governor of Alaska

The above is a true copy of the original.

J. J. Willis  
Deputy Auditor. EPM

Miscellaneous No. 5143

Treasury Department,  
OFFICE OF THE

AUDITOR FOR THE STATE AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS.

September 18, 1896

I hereby certify That I have examined and settled an account between the United States and James Sheahy, Governor of Alaska, Disbursing

on account of appropriation for Salaries, Governor, etc, Territory of Alaska, 1896 from April 1, 1896, to June 30, 1896, under official bond dated Oct. 17, 1893, and find a balance due the said account balanced of

Five Dollars  
Thomas H. Lamb  
Auditor for the State and other Departments.

By W. H. Scott  
Acting 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. H. Scott  
Acting Deputy Auditor.

Department of the Interior,

Washington, D. C., *Sept 19 1896.*

Sir:

Inclosed you will please find my check No. *141308*, on  
the Assistant Treasurer at New York, for *One hundred*  
*and fifty* Dollars (\$ *150.*),  
in payment of your account rendered the *Education*  
*Office for Services as Supt. of construction*  
*of school house at Douglas City*  
*Alaska*

You are requested to acknowledge receipt of the same to this Office on the accompanying  
blank form.

Very respectfully,

GEO. W. EVANS,  
Disbursing Clerk.

*H. C. Shakely*  
*Sitka*  
*Alaska*

[OVER.]

*RM*

N.D.M.

Treasury Department  
OFFICE OF  
Auditor for the State and other Departments

Washington, D. C. September 22, 1896

Hon. James Sheakley,  
Governor of Alaska,  
Sitka, Alaska.

Sir:

Your letter of the 8th inst., addressed to the Secretary of the Treasury, has been referred to this office for answer.

The paragraph from the general deficiency act of June 8, 1896, quoted by you, which extends the provisions of section 1935, R. S. to include the Territories of Alaska and Oklahoma, makes no appropriation whatever, but was merely intended to authorize the use of any contingent fund which might be appropriated for those Territories in payment of clerk hire, such use being otherwise prohibited by the general legislation contained in section 3682, R. S.

The sum of \$ 2,000.00 is appropriated for contingent expenses of the Territory of Alaska in the legislative act of May 28, 1896, and you are authorized to use a portion of it for clerk hire; that is all that the legislation you refer to means.

Respectfully yours,

*Thomas Holcomb*  
Auditor.  
*EPH*

F.R.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

WASHINGTON,

September 18, 1896,

*M.C. Coy*

The Governor of Alaska,  
Sitka, Alaska.

Sir:

Referring to Department letter dated July 2, 1896, urgently requesting that your annual report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1896, be forwarded to the Secretary of the Interior not later than the first of September, I beg leave to invite your attention to the fact that the report has not yet been received, and to request that it may be forwarded at your earliest convenience.

Very respectfully,

*David Francis*  
Secretary.

*[Faint, mostly illegible text from the reverse side of the paper is visible through the document.]*

Respectfully yours,

*[Faint signature and text at the bottom of the page.]*

1 musician's sword not accounted for.



Ordnance Office,

War Department.

Washington D. C. June 26<sup>th</sup> 1895

Hon. James S. Shapley,

Governor of Alaska Territory,

Sitka, Alaska T.

Sir:

I am instructed by the Chief of Ordnance to request that you will please account to this office, by voucher or otherwise, for 1 musician's sword, as only 3 of the 4 receipted for by you to your predecessor, Ex-Governor G. E. Knapp, have been accounted for to this office to date, as follows:

Turned into Benicia Arsenal,	1
Lost, as per your certificate of } January 18 <sup>th</sup> , 1895.	2
Total accounted for,	3

Your receipt for the 4 musician's swords in question was received at

this office yesterday from your  
predecessor, Ex-Governor Knapp.

Respectfully,  
C. Whipple

Capt. Ord. Dept., U. S. A.

Benicia Arsenal

Benicia, California August 24 1896.

Governor of Alaska.

Sitka, Alaska.

Sir

I inclose herewith receipts in duplicate for Ordnance  
and Ordnance Stores corresponding with your invoice dated  
June 25<sup>th</sup> 1896

Respectfully

Armond M. Dyer  
Lieut. Ord. Dept., U. S. A.

(1-10-1896)

Miscellaneous No. 5530

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE

AUDITOR FOR THE STATE AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS.

November 17, 1896

I hereby certify That I have examined and settled an account between the  
United States and James Sheahy, Disbursing

Governor of Alaska  
on account of appropriation for Contingent Expenses, Territory  
of Alaska, 1897

from July 1, 1896, to Sept. 30, 1896, under  
official bond dated Oct. 13, 1896, and find a balance due the said

United States of One hundred ninety  
four and 49/<sub>100</sub> Dollars.

\$194<sup>49</sup>/<sub>100</sub>

J. J. Willie  
Auditor for the State and other Departments.

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By \_\_\_\_\_ 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.

J. J. Willie  
Deputy Auditor.  
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Miscellaneous No. ....

ACCOUNT

Miscellaneous

United States

Government

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\$1944

To the

MISCELLANEOUS DIVISION.  
Form 77-Ed. 5 12 94 500.

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STATEMENT OF DIFFERENCES.

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE

AUDITOR FOR THE STATE AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS.

*5520*

November 17, 1896.

James Sheehy, Governor of Alaska, on account of  
appropriation for Contingent Expenses, Territory of Alaska, 1897  
July 1, 1896, to Sept 30, 1896, under official  
dated Oct. 13, 1893, in account with the United States.

Balance due	from	him per	Auditor's Certificate	\$	19449
Balance due	from	him per	his account current		18704
				Difference,	745

Arising as follows:

Voucher #3. bill of A. A. Gann of April and  
from 1896 is not a proper charge against  
the appropriation for the fiscal year  
1897

Sum in addition in his account \$6.45  
1.00

745

*Alaska*

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

WASHINGTON,

Nov. 11, 1896,

The Governor of Alaska,

Sitka, Alaska.

Sir;

I forward to your address, by registered mail, four hundred copies of your late report, for your official use.

Very respectfully,

*Alfred S. Sizer*  
First Assistant Secretary.

War Department,

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

Washington, ..... November 4, 1896.

The Governor  
~~Adjutant General~~

Territory State of Alaska, Sitka.....

General:

I am directed by the Secretary of War to invite your attention to the requirements of Section 1636, Revised Statutes of the United States, a copy of which is hereto annexed, and to request you to forward to the Adjutant General of the Army, on or before the first Monday in January next, the annual return of militia of your State.

A supply of blanks for this purpose is sent herewith.

Should there be neither organized nor unorganized militia in your State, you are requested to state that fact on the face of the blank inclosed and to forward it to this office. In the absence of an enrollment of the unorganized force available for militia duty, it is specially desired that you furnish an approximate estimate thereof, based upon the most reliable data in your possession.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

*N. O. Wall*

Asst Adjutant General.

Section 1636, Revised Statutes of the United States.

It shall be the duty of the Adjutant General in each State to make return of the militia of the State, with their arms, accouterments, and ammunition, agreeably to the provisions of law, to the President of the United States, annually, on or before the first Monday in January; and it shall be the duty of the Secretary of War, from time to time, to give such directions to the Adjutant Generals of the militia as may, in his opinion, be necessary to produce a uniformity in such returns.

SHELDON JACKSON,  
General Agent of  
Education for Alaska.

Department of the Interior,  
**Bureau of Education,**

ALASKA DIVISION,

Washington, D. C., November 18, 1896.

Mr. Fred. E. Sheakley,

Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Yours of October 27, is received, and also the plan and specifications for a model school building. Please accept our thanks for the interest and trouble you have taken in the matter.

Very respectfully yours,

*Sheldon Jackson*

The Secretary of the Interior has authorized the erection of a school house at Honokah Bids will be called for during the winter

Miscellaneous No. ....

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

WASHINGTON,

Dec. 11, 1896,

The Governor of Alaska,

Sitka, Alaska.

Sir;

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 17th ult. making request for five hundred copies of your last annual report, and in reply to say that immediately upon its publication four hundred copies were forwarded to your address and you notified of their transmission.

I now forward, registered, one hundred additional copies, which are all that can be supplied from the thousand copies issued.

Very respectfully,

*Wm. H. Sikes*  
First Assistant Secretary

COPY, CERTIFICATE, DISBURSEMENTS.

Miscellaneous No. 6127

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE

AUDITOR FOR THE STATE AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS.

February 6, 1897.

I hereby certify That I have examined and settled an account between the United States and James Sheakley, Disbursing Governor of Alaska on account of appropriation for Contingent Expenses, Territory of Alaska, 1897 from Oct. 1, 1896, to Dec. 31, 1896, under official bond dated Oct. 13, 1896, and find a balance due the said United States of One hundred ninety and <sup>49</sup>/<sub>100</sub> Dollars.

\$190<sup>49</sup>/<sub>100</sub>

James Holcomb  
Auditor for the State and other Departments.

By J. J. Willis 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.

J. J. Willis  
Deputy Auditor.  
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Miscellaneous No.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE,  
WASHINGTON.

February 5, 1897.

His Excellency

The Governor of Alaska,

Sitka, Alaska.

Sir:-

I have the honor to request that this Department may be furnished with a complete statement or with provisions of the laws, showing the manner in which letters rogatory or commissions to take testimony, addressed by courts in foreign countries to the competent courts in the United States are to be executed in your Territory.

Thanking you in advance for your courtesy in this matter,

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

*Theodore Tilton*

COPY, CERTIFICATE, DISBURSEMENTS.

Miscellaneous No. 6415

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE  
AUDITOR FOR THE STATE AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS.

March 20, 1897.

I hereby certify That I have examined and settled an account between the  
United States and James Sheehy, Disbursing

Governor of Alaska  
on account of appropriation for Salaries, Governor etc., Territory  
of Alaska 1897

from July 1, 1896, to Dec. 31, 1896, under  
official bond dated Oct. 13, 1893, and find ~~a balance due~~ the said

account balanced of

     Dollars.

Thomas Holcomb

Auditor for the State and other Departments.

By

W. W. Scott

Acting 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.

C. W. Smith

Acting Deputy Auditor.

E. P. M.

COPY, CERTIFICATE, DISBURSEMENTS.

Miscellaneous No. 6905

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE

AUDITOR FOR THE STATE AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS.

May 29, 1897.

I hereby certify That I have examined and settled an account between the United States and James Sheehy, Governor of Alaska, Disbursing

on account of appropriation for Salaries, Governors etc, Territory of Alaska, 1897

from Jan. 1, 1897, to March 31, 1897, under official bond dated Oct. 15, 1893, and find a balance due the said account balanced of

Two Dollars.

Ernest G. Timmer

Auditor for the State and other Departments.

By W. H. Scott

Acting 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. H. Scott

Acting Deputy Auditor.

EPM

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AND M. W. ...  
A. S. M. M. ...

COPY, CERTIFICATE, DISBURSEMENTS.

Miscellaneous No. 6933

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE

AUDITOR FOR THE STATE AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS.

June 3, 1897.

I hereby certify That I have examined and settled an account between the United States and James Sheehy, Governor of Alaska, Disbursing

on account of appropriation for Contingent Expenses, Territory of Alaska, 1897

from Jan. 1, 1897, to March 31, 1897, under

official bond dated Oct. 13, 1895, and find a balance due the said

United States of three hundred thirty six and <sup>29</sup>/<sub>100</sub> Dollars.

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Emil G. Timme

Auditor for the State and other Departments.

By

W. H. Felt

Acting 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. H. Felt

Acting Deputy Auditor.

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AND B. B. B. B. B.  
1706

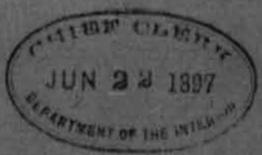
June 22, 1897.

Director of  
Bureau of American Republics

Requests for use of a Commercial Directory in course of preparation data concerning Alaska, including names of officials, banks, educational institutions, hospitals etc.

Respectfully referred to the Governor of Alaska with the request that he procure the information desired by the Director of the Bureau of American Republics, and forward same to the Department with return of this paper at an early day as practicable.

Thos Ryan  
First Asst. Secretary



BUREAU OF THE  
AMERICAN REPUBLICS,  
INTERNATIONAL UNION OF AMERICAN REPUBLICS,  
WASHINGTON, U.S.A.

June 22, 1897.

Sir:

I enclose herewith a copy of the prospectus of a Commercial Directory, which the Bureau of the American Republics will issue on the first of September next. As part of the information to be furnished, with reference to the United States, I desire to obtain the most accurate data concerning the Territory of Alaska. It is possible your Department has in its possession all the requisite material. If not, I would be greatly obliged to you if you would give directions for the collection, at the earliest possible time, of lists of the various officials in the Territory, banks, educational institutions, hospitals, charitable institutions, libraries, transportation lines, newspapers, and merchants and manufacturers, if any of the latter, under their proper headings as indicated on page three, of the prospectus. I would greatly appreciate an early reply to this letter informing me whether my request can be complied with.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

*Joseph P. Smith*

Director.

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

*Handwritten initials*

*R.B.*

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

WASHINGTON,

June 25, 1897.

Mr. John G. Brady,

Sitka, Alaska.

Sir:

There is transmitted herewith, under separate cover, a commission from the President for your appointment to the office of Governor of Alaska, vice James Sheakley, resigned, you having been so nominated to and confirmed by the Senate.

Please take and subscribe the oaths of office as per blanks inclosed, under the provisions of Section 187B of the Revised Statutes of the United States; file one copy in the office of the Secretary of the Territory, and forward the other to this Office.

Very respectfully,

*Ed. M. ...*  
Secretary.

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

## REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE PREPARATION AND EXECUTION OF OFFICIAL BONDS.

**Department of the Interior,***Washington, D. C., June 1, 1893.**Read and carefully observe the following directions before executing papers:*

1. The bond and oath of office must be dated.
  2. There must be not less than two sureties.
  3. The full name of the principal and each of his sureties should be written in the body of the bond and so signed to the bond. Where principal or surety has more than one christian name, the one by which he is generally known will be sufficient: If any female sign as surety it must satisfactorily appear that she is unmarried, married women not being accepted as sureties. The place of residence of each surety must be designated in the body of the instrument.
  4. There must be a seal of wax, wafer, or other adhesive substance, attached to each signature. The printed word "seal" or a scroll is not sufficient.
  5. The signature of the principal and each of the sureties must be made in the presence of two persons who must sign their names as witnesses, stating their present residence; and it must appear for whom each witness signs.
  6. Each surety must make and sign an affidavit in accordance with the accompanying form.
  7. It is required that the sureties shall state, under oath, the nature of the property which they offer as security, that is, whether real or personal, describing each class of property specifically as indicated in the form of affidavit inclosed. It must be made to appear that the property offered is available upon execution or the bond will be rejected. Locate all personal property.
  8. The several sums in which the sureties justify must aggregate at least double the penalty of the bond, one-half of the aggregate, or the amount of the penal sum at least, to be based on real estate.
  9. The affidavits and oaths called for may be made before any officer duly qualified by the local laws of the State, Territory, or District where the bond is executed. An affirmation, in judicial form, will be accepted instead of an oath. Where the oath is administered by a "Commissioner of the Circuit Court of the United States" the certificate should so show, and not appear in the usual way of "United States Commissioner," etc.
  10. Whenever the officer before whom an affidavit is made or oath taken, has an official seal, he should use it. There should be a separate and distinct impression of the official seal for each affidavit or oath.
  11. Whenever an affidavit is made or oath taken before any officer not a Clerk of a Court of Record, the official character and standing of such officer, whether Notary Public, Justice of the Peace, Commissioner of a Circuit Court of the United States, or other officer qualified to administer oaths outside of the District of Columbia, should be evidenced by the formal certificate of the Clerk of the proper Court of Record or other competent authority.
  12. The sufficiency of sureties must be certified to by a United States District Judge or Attorney.
  13. Sureties must not be bonded officers of the United States.
  14. The date of the affidavit of surety and the date of the certificate of the United States Judge or Attorney, must be of even or subsequent date to that of the bond.
  15. Special pains must be taken to prevent erasures or mutilations of any kind in the bond, and if made, must be explained by a certificate of the officer before whom the affidavit is administered that such erasures or mutilations were made before the bond was signed by the obligor and his sureties.
- Attention is invited to the marginal notes printed on blank form.
- Bonds not executed in conformity with the foregoing regulations will be returned for an observance thereof.

*Hoke Smith*  
Secretary.

*Wm. G. ...*

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.  
WASHINGTON.

July 1st, 1897.

The Governor of Alaska,  
Sitka, Alaska.

Sir:

I have to request that you will forward to this Department as soon as practicable, not later than the 1st of September next, a report of the affairs and of the progress and development of the Territory of Alaska, for the fiscal year ended June 30th, 1897.

In order to secure uniformity in the subjects treated by the Governors of the Territories in their annual reports, I have to request that you will present in your report, information upon the following topics, or so many of them as may be applicable to the Territory of Alaska, to wit:

Population: Taxable property: Settlement of lands: Commerce and the progress of railroad enterprises: Agricultural development: Stock raising in all its branches: Mining: Forests and the production of lumber: Education: Labor supply: Condition of the Indians in the Territory: Public buildings: Legislation, and, Undeveloped Resources.

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In treating of Population, comparative statements showing annual increase should be given, together with notes on the distribution, and where practicable, on the character and nationality of immigration.

Full particulars in reference to the social and industrial progress of the Territory are desired.

Statistical information should not be given from estimates, where it is possible to obtain such information from original sources.

The enumeration of the topics given above is not intended to exclude the presentation of other subjects which may commend themselves to you for embodiment in your annual report; on the contrary, the fullest information is desired upon all matters relating to the progress or affecting the welfare of the Territory.

In addition to the foregoing, I deem it proper to direct your attention to the fact that great interest is manifested by the public as to the District of Alaska, in view of recent discoveries of gold therein.

The Department has had numerous inquiries touching the following subjects, and which it has been unable to answer, which should be as specifically covered as practicable in your report, to wit:

The means of transportation thereto, the cost thereof, transpor-

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tation facilities within the District, the approximate cost of the latter, the principal business enterprises, the character of same, the names and locations of newspapers published, the cost of living in various towns, etc.

It is necessary that your report be submitted within the time above specified, in order that proper consideration may be given to the various and important subjects requiring attention in the preparation of the Annual Report of the Secretary of the Interior.

A compliance with this request at an early date is important.

Very respectfully,



Secretary.

*Handwritten initials: J. M.*

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
Department of Justice,

Washington, D. C.

July 2nd, 1897.

August 19, 1897,

(Copy)

Governor of Alaska,  
Sitska, Alaska.

The Secretary of the Interior.

Sir:-

In answer to your letter of this date, I send you herewith a copy of a letter I have written to the U. S. Attorney for Alaska, concerning timber trespassing and toll-collecting in Alaska as reported by Mr. Jones.

Respectfully,

(Signed) Joseph McKenna

Attorney General.

... upon the fol-  
... to the Terri-  
... of Alaska, to wit:  
Population: Taxable property: Settlement of lands: Commerce and  
progress of railroad enterprises: Agricultural development: Book  
... in all its branches: Mining: Forestry and the production of  
...: Education: labor supply: Condition of the land in the Ter-  
...: Public buildings: Legislation, and, Undeveloped Resources.

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C.B.S

August 19, 1897.

Burton E. Bennett, Esq.,  
U.S. Attorney,  
Sitka, Alaska.

Sir:-

I am informed by a letter to the Secretary of the Interior from Dyea that "Canadians are cutting Alaska timber and taking it across the line to a saw-mill in British Columbia that is near the terminus of the Skagaway trail, a few miles from here. A Canadian syndicate is exercising control over the Skagaway Pass and collecting tolls (2 ¢ a pound) on all miners' supplies; all of which is on American soil."

It is believed that R.S. 2463 and other laws for the protection of timber on public lands are applicable to Alaska notwithstanding "the general land laws" have not been extended to Alaska. Should the court hold otherwise, or circumstances make such course preferable, proceed by injunction. The Government can protect its property by all the means open to an individual.

As for the tolls, so-called, you are directed to investigate the circumstances and take proper steps to put a stop to their collection.

Respectfully,

Attorney General.

(Copy)

Dyea, Alaska,

August 4, 1897,

Hon. Secretary of the Interior,  
Washington, D. C.

Sir:-

From apparently reliable sources I learn that Canadians are cutting Alaska timber and taking it across the line to a saw mill in British Columbia. That is near the terminus of the Skagaway trail, a few miles from here.

A Canadian syndicate is exercising control over the Skagaway Pass and collecting tolls (2¢ a pound) on all miners' supplies; all of which is on American soil.

I expect to leave tomorrow for the Yukon and then down the river to my destination St. Michaels.

There are nearly 1800 people on the Dyea and Skagaway routes and both trails are blocked. People are throwing away their packs and provisions and rushing headlong to the mines. Great distress, hardship, and suffering, and possible death from hunger and exposure, is sure to follow next winter, an opinion that is entertained by all old Alaska prospectors who have visited that part of the world in late years and know the situation.

British steamers are landing freight and passengers at Skagaway (six miles from here) instead of Dyea the sub port, contrary to law.

Yours confidentially,

(Signed) Wm. J. Jones,  
U. S. Commissioner of Alaska  
assigned to St. Michaels.

(Copy)

Treasury Department,  
Office of the Secretary,

(Copy) Washington, D. C. August 21, 1897,

Hon. Secretary of the Interior,  
To the Honorable

Sir: The Secretary of the Interior.

Sir: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 18th instant, enclosing copy of a communication from United States Commissioner W. J. Jones, dated Dyea, Alaska, August 4, 1897, in which he says that "British steamers are landing freight and passengers at Shkagaway, instead of Dyea, the sub-port, contrary to law."

I have to inform you in reply that Shkagaway has been included within the limits of the sub-port of Dyea, and that the landing of freight and passengers at that place may be legally done.

Respectfully yours,  
(Signed) L. J. Gage  
Secretary.

British steamers are landing freight and passengers at Shkagaway (six miles from here) instead of Dyea the sub port, contrary to law.

Yours confidentially,

(Signed) Wm. J. Jones.  
U. S. Commissioner of Alaska  
assigned to St. Michael.

*W. J.*

A. G. M.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
WASHINGTON.

August 28th, 1897.

The Governor of Alaska,

Sitka, District of Alaska.

Sir:

I transmit herewith for your information and guidance, copies of certain letters on the files of this Department, in relation to the timber trespassing and toll collecting in Alaska, and the instructions given relative thereto by the Honorable, the Attorney General, to the U. S. Attorney for the District of Alaska.

In this connection it is proper to add, that in view of the recent discoveries of gold and the great influx of people into the District in consequence thereof, I deem it advisable that you keep me as fully informed of the condition of affairs in the Territory under your supervision, by as frequent reports as the circumstances will permit.

It is suggested that you place yourself in communication with the several officers of the United States in the District, and forward their statements as to the affairs in the various sections of the

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country to which assigned, to the Department in your reports.

Very respectfully,

*C. J. Glavin*

Secretary.



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DIVISION  
OF  
APPOINTMENTS.

Treasury Department,

Office of the Secretary,

Washington, D. C., August 19, 1897.

Mr. John G. Brady,  
Sitka, Alaska.

Sir:

I enclose herewith, by direction of the Secretary, a blank bond which you will please execute with sufficient sureties, if individual sureties not less than two, in the sum of four thousand dollars, as Governor of the Territory of Alaska, and return the same to this office for approval, at the earliest possible date.

Yours respectfully,

*Georg M. Rose,*

Acting Chief Appointment Division

*Jr.*

DIVISION  
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Treasury Department,  
Office of the Secretary,

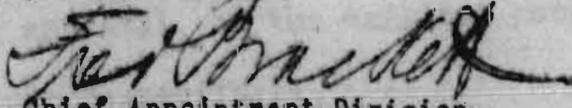
Washington, D. C., September 22, 1897.

Mr. John G. Brady,  
Governor of Alaska,  
Sitka, Alaska.

Sir:

I have to inform you that your official bond as Governor and Special Disbursing Agent for the Territory of Alaska, in the sum of four thousand dollars, was approved by the Secretary of the Treasury on the 21st instant.

Respectfully yours,

  
Chief Appointment Division.

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District of Alaska  
Executive Office  
Sitka

October 6, 1897,

To the U.S. Marshal,  
District of Alaska,  
Sitka, Alaska.

Sir:

I have the honor to enclose herewith communications from the Secretary of the Interior in regard to the maintenance of a powder magazine by the Alaska Commercial Company in Kodiak, Alaska, which endangers the village and especially the Greek-Russian Church. I request you to communicate with your deputy at that point and acquaint him with the charge and if he finds the facts as stated to order the removal of all explosives to a point where there will be no danger to any dwelling or other property, also request him to send you a rough diagram of the location of the magazine so that it may be correctly reported to the Department.

Respectfully yours,

*John G. Brady*  
Governor of Alaska.

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Treasury Department.

Office of the Secretary,

Washington, D. C., September 14, 1897.

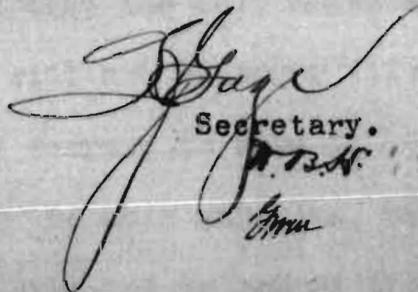
The Honorable

The Secretary of the Interior.

Sir:

I have the honor to enclose herewith copy of a letter, dated the 9th instant, from the Honorable W. R. Day, Assistant Secretary of State, in relation to a complaint made by the Russian Chargé d' Affaires ad interim, on the statement of the priest of the Greek-Russian Church at Kodiak, Alaska, that the Alaska Company maintain a powder magazine in the midst of the village and near the Church to the great danger of the Church and the inhabitants of the town. As the subject appears to be one which pertains to your Department it is referred for such action as to you may seem proper and the Honorable the Secretary of State has been advised accordingly.

Respectfully yours,

  
Secretary.  
J. R. Day

One enclosure.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
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Secretary of  
the Treasury.

Enclose copy of a letter  
from Assistant Secretary of  
State relating to complaint  
made by Russian Chorgi d'  
Affaires ad interim in regard  
to the Alaska Company main-  
taining a powder magazine  
in Kodiak Alaska, near the  
Greek-Russian Church to great  
danger of church and inhabi-  
tants.

CHIEF CLERK  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

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Department of Interior  
September 15, 1897  
Respectfully referred to  
the Governor of the District  
of Alaska for investiga-  
tion and report.

If the facts are as indi-  
cated, you will direct  
the Alaska Company to  
at once remove the  
powder magazine in  
question to a suitable  
location on the public  
land where its presence will  
not endanger the lives of  
the inhabitants of Kodiak, Alaska.

C. A. Harris  
Secretary.

*U. S. Marshal's Office,*

James H. Shoup.

DISTRICT OF ALASKA.

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~  
U. S. MARSHAL.

Sitka, Alaska, October 6, 1897.

Mr. Edward C. Hasey,

Deputy U.S. Marshal,

Kodiak, Alaska.

Sir:

I herewith inclose letter of the Acting Secretary of State to the Secretary of the Treasury in relation to a powder magazine said to be in the midst of the village of Kodiak, and also letter of the Secretary of the Interior to the Governor, and letter of the Governor to me, requesting that I communicate with you, and if you find the facts as stated to order the removal of all explosives to a point where there will be no danger to any dwelling or other property, and that you send a rough diagram of the location of the magazine so that it may be correctly reported to the Department. I, therefore, direct you to investigate the matter and if you find that the said magazine should be removed to a point where it will not endanger life and property, direct the Alaska Commercial Company to have it so removed. Should they refuse to remove the said magazine, or the explosives therein contained, you are directed to compel them to do so by due process of law, but before you attempt any removal

*U. S. Marshal's Office,*

DISTRICT OF ALASKA.

LOUIS L. WILLIAMS,  
U. S. MARSHAL.

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by force, advise me of the facts, and I will instruct you further in reference to the matter.

You may show the Manager of the Commercial Company and of the Governor to me, copies of the letters from Washington, but you need not show him this letter.

Very respectfully,

*James M. Shoup*  
U. S. Marshal.

*Rec'd 10/14/97*

Copy.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE,

Washington, September 9, 1897.

The Honorable

The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:-

By direction of the Secretary of State, I have the honor to inform you, for such action as may be warranted, of a complaint made to this Department by the Russian Charge d'Affaires ad interim, on the statement of the priest of the Greek-Russian Church at Kodiak, Alaska, that the Alaska Company maintain a powder magazine in the midst of the village and near the Church to the great danger of the Church and the inhabitants of the town.

Respectfully yours,

William R. Day,

Assistant Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

WASHINGTON,

October 16, 1897,

Hon. John G. Brady,  
Governor of Alaska,  
Sitka, Alaska.

Sir:

I transmit herewith for your information and guidance in the discharge of the duties of your office, two copies of a compilation of the Laws of the United States applicable to the duties of the Governor, Commissioners and other United States officers in Alaska, prepared under the direction of the Attorney General, in compliance with Section 11, of the Act of May 17, 1884, providing a civil government for Alaska.

I also transmit herewith copies of the United States Mining Laws and Regulations thereunder, approved December 10, 1891, together with two copies of Department Circulars, dated June 3, 1891, and May 6, 1895, regarding entries of land in Alaska for townsite, trading and manufacturing purposes.

Very respectfully,

*John Ryan*  
Acting Secretary.

(Copy)

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

War Department,  
Washington City,

October 14, 1897  
November 30, 1897,

Mr. John G. Brady,  
Governor of Alaska.

Sir:

In reply to your communication of the 26th inst., I have the honor to inform you that the balance remaining to the credit of the Territory of Alaska, for Arming and Equipping the Militia, on June 30th, 1892 was \$7,105.60. Since that date no allotment has been made to the Territory.

The amount mentioned (\$7,105.60) can be drawn against for Quartermaster's and Ordnance stores.

Very respectfully,

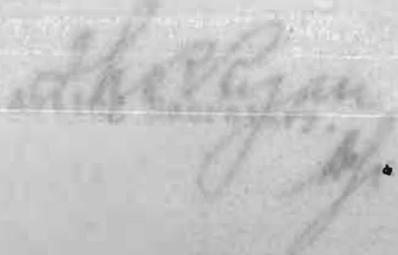
(Signed) R. A. Alger

Secretary of War.

The Honorable,

The Secretary of the Interior.

Very respectfully,



DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.  
WASHINGTON.

December 17, 1897,

The Governor  
of Alaska,  
Sitka, Alaska.

Sir:

Your letter has been received enclosing copy of a communication from B. S. Haskell of San Francisco, California, regarding the organization of a company of militia by a corporation proposing to establish a townsite at the mouth of the Copper River in Alaska, with a view to protecting its property.

You state that in view of the independent character of the proposed organization, that it might become an element of danger rather than of protection to the country and defer acting upon the matter until instructions from the Department are given.

In response thereto I have to state that under Section 2 of the act of May 7, 1884 (23 Stats., 24) establishing a civil government for Alaska, the Governor is made ex officio Commander-in-Chief of the Militia of the District, and is vested with power to call out the same when necessary to the due execution of laws and to preserve the peace, and to cause all able-bodied citizens of the United States in said District to enroll and serve as such when the public exigency demands. While under this law you are authorized to organize such militia companies in the District of Alaska as may be deemed necessary, you will not be justified in permitting the enrollment in the Territorial

Militia of any company or body of men possessed of such independent powers as that desired by the company proposed to be organized by the corporation which Mr. Haskell represents.

It might be well, considering existing circumstances, to organize a militia company at Sitka, Dyea, or Skaguay, and if you conclude to do so, there is now in the Treasury to the credit of the District of Alaska (as will be seen from the enclosed copy of a letter from the Secretary of War, dated the 30th ultimo), the sum of \$7,105.60 which can be drawn against for Quartermaster's and Ordnance stores in equipping the militia in the District.

Congress at the present session will undoubtedly pass legislation for the government of Alaska, but as to the character thereof I am at this time unable to state, and therefore prefer to allow you to act in the matter of the organization of the militia for the District in such manner as in your judgment may be deemed best.

Very respectfully,

*W. P. Blair*  
Secretary.

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Department of State,  
Washington,

December 27, 1897,

The Honorable

The Secretary of the Interior.

Sir:-

By direction of the Secretary of State, I have the honor to inform you that the jurisdiction of the Consul General of Germany at San Francisco has been extended to include Alaska, and to request that the proper officers of your Department in that Territory be so advised.

Respectfully yours,

(Signed) William R. Day,

Assistant Secretary.

*W. R. Day*  
Department of the Interior,  
Washington, D. C.  
January 3, 1898,

Official copy for the information and guidance of Hon John G. Brady, Governor of Alaska, Sitka, Alaska.

By direction of the Secretary.

*Edward M. Dawson*  
Chief Clerk.

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Treasury Department  
OFFICE OF  
Auditor for the State and other Departments

Washington, D. C. Jan. 20, 1898.

Forwarded your accounts to December 31, it would be well for you to address a letter to the Secretary of the Treasury explaining the cause of your delay, and asking him for a waiver of the delinquency.

Hon. John G. Brady,

Governor of Alaska,

Sitka, Alaska.

Respectfully yours,

*Charles H. ...*  
Auditor

Sir:

I have directed that a warrant issue for the sum of \$ 497.30 in payment of your salary as Governor for the months of November and December 1897. As this money, as well as all payments to you on account of salary, are advanced to you on accountable warrants with which you are charged on the books of the Treasury, it will be necessary for you to state a regular account under the appropriation for "Salaries, Governor, etc., Territory of Alaska, 1898" to December 31, 1897, in which you will charge the United States with the amount of your salary to that date and credit it with the amounts advanced to you. You should <sup>send</sup> render at the same time your own receipt for salary as a voucher in the account. This plan should be pursued quarterly hereafter.

You will please also render your account to December 31, 1897 under the appropriation for Contingent Expenses, Territory of Alaska, 1898. The law requires that all monthly accounts be rendered within ten days of the close of the month and quarterly accounts within twenty days after the close of the quarter. If you have not already

Washington,

forwarded your accounts to December 31, it would be well for you to address a letter to the Secretary of the Treasury explaining the cause of your delay, and asking him for a waiver of the delinquency.

Respectfully yours,

*Charles G. ...*  
Auditor.

By direction of the Secretary of State, I hereby certify that the jurisdiction of the Consul (C.S.) of New York at San Francisco has been extended to include Alaska, and to request that the proper officers of your Department in that Territory be so advised.

Respectfully yours,

(Signed) William E. Day.

Assistant Secretary.

Department of the Interior,  
Washington, D. C.  
January 3, 1892.

This is an official copy for the information and guidance of Hon John G. Brady, Governor of Alaska, Alaska, Alaska.

By direction of the Secretary.

*Edward ...*  
Chief Clerk.

Treasury Department,

Office of the Secretary,

Washington, D. C., January 27, 1898.

Hon. John G. Brady,  
Governor of Alaska,  
Sitka, Alaska.

Sir:

As requested in your letter of the 11th instant, I enclose herewith a number of circulars containing the Executive order concerning the sale of intoxicating liquors in the Territory of Alaska, dated March 12, 1892.

Replying to the inquiry contained in said letter whether said regulations are to be enforced by you without any further modification, I have the honor to inform you that no change in the language of said circular is contemplated.

Respectfully yours,

*W. B. Smith*  
Assistant Secretary.  
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Enclosures.

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Treasury Department  
OFFICE OF  
Auditor for the State and other Departments

Washington, D.C. Feb. 2, 1898.

Hon. John G. Brady,  
Governor of Alaska,  
Sitka, Alaska.

Sir:

I return herewith duplicate vouchers which were forwarded by you with your accounts recently rendered. It is not necessary for you to send to this office any but the originals. The duplicates should be retained by you.

Respectfully yours,

*Charles G. Timm*  
Auditor.

Replying to the inquiry contained in said letter whether said regulations are to be enforced by you without any further modification, I have the honor to inform you that no change in the language of said circular is contemplated.

Respectfully yours,

*W. R. ...*  
Assistant Secretary.

Enclosures.

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**REGULATIONS**  
GOVERNING  
**THE USE AND OCCUPANCY OF LANDS**  
WITHIN THE LIMITS OF  
**THE MILITARY RESERVATION**  
OF  
**FORT ST. MICHAEL, ALASKA.**

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REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE USE AND OCCUPANCY OF LANDS WITHIN THE LIMITS OF THE MILITARY RESERVATION OF FORT ST. MICHAEL, ALASKA.

WAR DEPARTMENT,  
ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,  
Washington, November 11, 1897.

By direction of the Secretary of War the following Regulations governing the use and occupancy of lands within the limits of the Military Reservation of Fort St. Michael, Alaska, are published for the information and guidance of all concerned.

SAM'L BRECK,  
Adjutant General.



REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE USE AND OCCU-  
PATION OF LANDS WITHIN THE LIMITS OF  
THE MILITARY RESERVATION OF  
FORT ST. MICHAEL, ALASKA.

WAR DEPARTMENT, Washington, October 20, 1887.

1. By authority of the President, the land known as St. Michael Island, Alaska, with all contiguous land and islands within one hundred miles of the location of the flagstaff of the present garrison on that island, is set aside from the public lands of the Territory of Alaska and declared a military reservation.

Parties who have, prior to the receipt of this order, located and erected buildings on the land so reserved, will not be disturbed in their use of lands, buildings and improvements, nor in the erection of structures needed for their business or residence.

2. The military reservation above declared, and the military post located thereon, will be known as *Fort St. Michael*, and will be under the control and supervision of the Commanding Officer of the troops there stationed.

R. A. ALGER,  
Secretary of War.

In the absence of other provision of law and of all local civil officials within the limits of country surrounding the island of St. Michael, and the mouth of the Yukon River, the foregoing described reservation has been established for the security of life and property, the preservation of order, and the protection of property and business interests. Proper persons, associations, or corporations already located on, or desiring to enter upon and conduct legitimate business enterprises within the limits of this Military Reservation, will observe the following regulations:

1. Applications for permission must be accompanied by testimonials of good character and standing and be made in writing, addressed to the Secretary of War, reciting the nature of the business to be conducted; the location, as nearly as possible, on unoccupied land within the reservation; the area of land necessary; number and character of buildings, etc., to be erected, and probable date when occupancy is to be commenced and terminated. Those located on this reservation at the time the reservation was made will in like manner present their application for permits, and the Commanding

Officer will not disturb them in their use and occupancy in conformity to these regulations until the action of the Secretary of War on their application is known.

2. The permit to be issued by the Secretary of War will describe the persons, business, location, etc., and will authorize the grantees to enter upon the reservation at the location named, and maintain the specified business, and *none other*. Where a definite location cannot be given in the permit, authority will be given to the Commanding Officer of Fort St. Michael to authorize an appropriate location; but no permission will be given to use land that was included under the original order as located and used, and no permit will be given to locate on the land set apart for buildings, wharves, parade, and drill grounds for the post of Fort St. Michael. A plat showing authorized locations and grounds, with the name or names of the holders of permits, will be kept in the office of the Commanding Officer.

3. This permit will not be negotiable and will be of no value or effect until presented to and recorded by the Commanding Officer of Fort St. Michael, and the location staked out by him. It will not be transferable without the approval of the Secretary of War, except where both parties to the transfer are on the ground and one desires to dispose of his interest, in which event the Commanding Officer of Fort St. Michael may authorize the transfer, reporting his action to the War Department. It will give no right or title to ownership of lands occupied and is revocable at the will of the Secretary of War.

4. Applications for permission to sell any improvements made through virtue of these permits must be made through the Commanding Officer of Fort St. Michael to the Secretary of War and will only be approved on the same conditions on which a permit is originally issued.

5. Persons, associations, or corporations occupying lands, buildings, or privileges under these permits will be subject at all times to such police regulations as may be imposed from time to time by the Commanding Officer of Fort St. Michael or higher authority.

6. Any modification of this permit, after use, must be applied for in writing, and forwarded through the Commanding Officer of Fort St. Michael for the action of the Secretary of

War; notice of a proposed termination of the permit will be given by the grantee at least thirty days before removal, and upon removal from the reservation the permit will be surrendered to the Commanding Officer of Fort St. Michael; and the location must be left by the occupants in good sanitary and police condition.

7. In case of naturally restricted landings, sites for buildings, ship-yards, etc., no monopoly will be given to any person or corporation, and no permit will be construed to do this, and all disagreements between holders of permits, will, after a careful hearing by him, be settled by the Commanding Officer of Fort St. Michael.

8. No retail of distilled spirits on the reservation will be allowed; but this prohibition shall not include light wines or beer. (Section 1955, Revised Statutes; Act approved May 17, 1894.)

9. It is to be understood that these permits are issued subject to any subsequent legislation of Congress.

*W.M.M.*

In replying, refer to initials

*B.L.P.*

**Post Office Department,**  
**Office of the Second Assistant Postmaster General,**  
CONTRACT DIVISION,  
Washington, D. C.,

January 19, 1898.

Sir:-

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of a petition of citizens of Sunrise City, in the vicinity of Tyoonok, Alaska, asking for the establishment of mail service during the summer months in connection with service on route #78100, Sitka to Ounalaska, Alaska. The Department would be pleased to learn from you the name and address of any person, or persons, who will run a steamer to Tyoonok during the coming season with whom arrangements could be made to carry the mails.

Very respectfully,

*W. S. Hallenberg*

Second Assistant Postmaster General.

Hon. John G. Brady,

Governor of Alaska,

Sitka, Alaska.

[PUBLIC—No. 3.]

An Act Prohibiting the killing of fur seals in the waters of the North Pacific Ocean.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That no citizen of the United States, nor person owing duty of obedience to the laws or the treaties of the United States, nor any person belonging to or on board of a vessel of the United States, shall kill, capture, or hunt, at any time or in any manner whatever, any fur seal in the waters of the Pacific Ocean north of the thirty-fifth degree of north latitude and including Bering Sea and the sea of Okhotsk.

SEC. 2. That no citizen of the United States, nor person above described in section one, shall equip, use, or employ, or furnish aid in equipping, using, or employing, or furnish supplies to any vessel used or employed, or to be used or employed in carrying on or taking part in said killing, capturing, or hunting of fur seals in said waters, nor shall any vessel of the United States be so used or employed.

SEC. 3. That every person guilty of a violation of the provisions of this Act, or of any regulations made thereunder, shall, for each offense, be fined not less than two hundred dollars or more than two thousand dollars, or imprisoned not more than six months, or both; and every vessel, its tackle, apparel, furniture, and cargo, at any time used or employed in violation of this Act, or of the regulations made thereunder, shall be forfeited to the United States.

SEC. 4. That if any vessel of the United States shall be found within the waters to which this Act applies, having on board fur-seal skins or bodies of seals, or apparatus or implements suitable for killing or taking seals, it shall be presumed that such vessel was used or employed in the killing of said seals, or that said apparatus or implements were used in violation of this Act until the contrary is proved to the satisfaction of the court.

SEC. 5. That any violation of this Act or of the regulations thereunder may be prosecuted either in the district court of Alaska or in any district court of the United States in California, Oregon, or Washington.

SEC. 6. That this Act shall not interfere with the privileges accorded to Indians dwelling on the coast of the United States under section six of the Act of April sixth, eighteen hundred and ninety-four, but the limitations prescribed in said Act shall remain in full force.

SEC. 7. That this Act shall not affect in any way the killing or taking of fur seals upon the Pribilof Islands, or the laws of the United States relating thereto.

SEC. 8. That any officer of the Naval or Revenue-Cutter Service of the United States, and any other officers duly designated by the President, may search any vessel of the United States in port or on the high seas suspected of having violated or of having an intention to violate the provisions of this Act, and may seize such vessel and the offending officers and crew and bring them into the most accessible port of the States and Territory mentioned in section five of this Act for trial.

SEC. 9. That the importation into the United States by any person whatsoever of fur-seal skins taken in the waters mentioned in this Act, whether raw, dressed, dyed, or manufactured, is hereby prohibited, and all such articles imported after this Act shall take effect shall not be permitted to be exported, but shall be seized and destroyed by the proper officers of the United States.

SEC. 10. That the President shall have power to make all necessary regulations to carry this Act into effect.

Approved, December 29, 1897.

*A. G. M.*

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

*January 27* 1898

The above is a true copy of the original as certified by the Department of State.

*Edward M. Dawson*

Chief Clerk

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*Edward M. Dawson*  
Chief Clerk

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,

WASHINGTON, D. C.

In correspondence on this subject quote  
the above initials and file number.

February 1, 1898.

Sir :

At the request of Hon. R. P. Bishop, M. C., I inclose  
herewith to you papers file in this Department supporting the  
application of Mr. William H. Kritzer to be a Notary Public in  
Alaska.

Please acknowledge receipt of same, and oblige

Yours respectfully,

*Joseph P. Rudy*  
Appointment Clerk.

Hon. John H. Brady,

Sitka,

Alaska.

COPY, CERTIFICATE, DISBURSEMENTS.

Miscellaneous No. 8987

Treasury Department,  
OFFICE OF THE  
AUDITOR FOR THE STATE AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS.

February 8, 1898.

I hereby certify That I have examined and settled an account between the  
United States and J. G. Brady, Disbursing

Governor of Alaska  
on account of appropriation for Contingent Expenses, Territory  
of Alaska 1898

from July 1, 1897, to Dec. 31, 1897, under  
official bond dated Sept 4, 1897, and find a balance due the said  
United States of two hundred and  
fifty four Dollars.

\$ 254.00

Emil G. Timme  
Auditor for the State and other Departments.

By G. W. Estley  
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.

G. W. Estley  
Deputy Auditor

E. F. B.

# Department of the Interior,

Washington, D. C., June 11, 1883.

## CIRCULAR:

The following rules governing leaves of absence to Governors and Secretaries of Territories are published for the information and guidance of those concerned:

I. Officers will not absent themselves from their posts of duty without authority from the Department, previously obtained.

II. Absence of both the Governor and the Secretary of a Territory at the same time will not be permitted.

III. All applications must be addressed to the Secretary of the Interior, and must state—

1st. The reason for asking a leave.

2d. The number of days desired and the dates between which the leave is to be taken.

3d. The number of days, if any, already taken during the existing calendar year.

Applications should be in writing, except where time is important, when the telegraph may be used.

IV. Immediately before departure from his post of duty, on leave of absence granted, the officer will announce to the Department the *day* on which the leave *will actually begin*, and upon return he will in like manner communicate the fact and date of return.

V. The application of a Secretary of a Territory for leave of absence will be submitted to the Governor, by whom it will be forwarded to the Department with such recommendation as he may deem proper, and all communications from a Secretary relative to leaves of absence will be forwarded through the same channel.

A failure to follow specifically the above instructions will be productive of delay in securing a leave of absence and in the settlement of accounts, and the Department will insist upon their observance.

*W M Fell*

Secretary.

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Department of the Interior,

Washington, January 27, 1898.

The Governor of Alaska,  
Sitka,  
Alaska

SIR:

Inclosed herewith is a bill, in duplicate, on account of printing and binding furnished during the Quarter ending March 31, 1898, for the use of  
Your Office

The prices are the same as charged to this Department by the Public Printer.

Please cause the amount (\$ 6.75 ) of this bill to be deposited, as early as practicable with some Assistant Treasurer of the United States, or National Bank which is a designated Depository for Government funds, with request that it be placed to the credit of the "Appropriation for Printing and Binding—allotment for the Department of the Interior, for the fiscal year 1898 - ..," and notify this Office at once of your action, giving the number and date of the Certificate of Deposit.

The ORIGINAL Certificate of Deposit received therefor should be sent direct to the Secretary of the Treasury. The DUPLICATE Certificate of Deposit should be attached to, and filed with, the inclosed bill, and will thus form a part of the voucher and answer in place of a receipt for its payment.

Respectfully,

J. H. Ryan  
First Assistant Secretary.

(4 Inclosures.)

Henry Fa ling, Prest.

No. 1558

H. W. Corbett, Vice-Prest.

G. E. Withington, Cashier.

J. W. Newkirk, Asst. Cashier.

W. C. Alford, 2d Asst. Cashier.

# The First National Bank

DESIGNATED DEPOSITARY AND  
FINANCIAL AGENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

Portland, Oregon, 2/28 1898

J. S. Brady Esq  
Sitka

Alaska

Sir:

Herewith please find our Certificate  
of Deposit No. 617 in duplicate for  
\$18<sup>12</sup>/<sub>100</sub> placed to credit Treasurer  
U. S. per your letter of 2/17

Respectfully,

G. E. Withington, Cashier.

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rd, 2d Asst. Cashier.

No. 1558

# The First National Bank

DESIGNATED DEPOSITARY AND  
FINANCIAL AGENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

Portland, Oregon, <sup>th</sup> March 15 1898

Mr. John S. Pease,  
Governor of Alaska,  
Sitka, Alaska.

Herewith please find our Certificate  
Deposit No. 668 in duplicate for  
\$75 placed to credit Treasurer  
I. per your letter of 11th inst.

Respectfully,

G. E. Withington, Cashier.

Per *[Signature]*

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Treasury Department  
OFFICE OF  
Auditor for the State and other Departments

Washington, D. C. March 8, 1898.

The First National Bank  
INCORPORATED SEPTEMBER 14, 1857  
FINANCIAL AGENT OF THE UNITED STATES

Hon. John G. Brady,  
Governor of Alaska,  
Sitka, Alaska.

Sir:

Your requisition of the 8th ultimo for \$ 1,000.00 on account of the appropriation for Contingent Expenses, Territory of Alaska, 1898 is before me for action thereon.

The same will be approved for \$ 961.96, which is the balance standing to the credit of the appropriation. The amount originally appropriated was \$ 2,000.00. Your predecessor, Governor Sheakley, was paid \$ 38.04 for his expenses in July 1897, and \$ 1,000.00 has already been advanced to you, leaving the balance above noted.

Respectfully yours,

*Christ G. Timmer*  
Auditor.

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Miscellaneous No.

COPY, CERTIFICATE, DISBURSEMENTS.

Miscellaneous No. 9206

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE

AUDITOR FOR THE STATE AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS.

March 8, 1898.

I hereby certify That I have examined and settled an account between the  
United States and Governor of Alaska J. G. Brady, Disbursing

on account of appropriation for Salaries, Governor etc, Territory  
of Alaska, 1898.

from July 15, 1897, to Dec: 31, 1897, under  
official bond dated Sept. 4, 1897, and find ~~a balance due~~ the said  
account balanced of

no Dollars.

Emil G. Jimmie

Auditor for the State and other Departments.

By G. W. Estley

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.

G. W. Estley

Deputy Auditor.

E. J. B.

Treasury Department,

Office of Comptroller of the Treasury,

Washington, D. C., May 18, 1898.

Hon. John G. Brady,  
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(Governor of Alaska,)  
occupy  
Washington, D. C.

Sir:-

I have received your letter of the 16th instant asking whether you are authorized to use the appropriation for Contingent Expenses in the purchase of carpets and furniture for the Government building occupied by you as a residence and office at Sitka, The appropriation referred to provides:

"For incidental and contingent expenses of the Territory, clerk hire, stationery, lights, and fuel, to be expended under the direction of the Governor, two thousand dollars."

You state that the office room assigned to you in the public building occupied by the Collector of Customs and Clerk of the Court has been turned over by you to the Surveyor-General of Alaska, recently appointed, and that you now have your office in the same building in which you reside. The carpets and furniture therein belong to the United States and are old and very much worn.

The appropriation referred to is, in my opinion applicable for the purchase of new furniture and carpets for your office room, as there is no specific appropriation made therefor. It can not, however, be used to procure such articles for your living rooms.

Hon. John G. Brady,

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The fact that the Government acquired certain household goods in the way of furniture and carpets, and allowed the Governor to occupy its building as a residence and use the Government property therein, does not raise any presumption that Congress intends to provide for replacing such household goods when worn out. Unless an appropriation was clearly applicable for such a purpose it would not be proper to construe general words as authorizing the purchase of furniture and carpets for the personal comfort or convenience of an officer at his residence.

The appropriation can not, therefore, be used excepting for the purpose of refurnishing your office.

Respectfully yours,

*W. Bracey*  
Comptroller.  
/s/

DEPARTMENT OF STATE,  
WASHINGTON.

June 4, 1898.

The Honorable

The Secretary of the Interior.

Sir:

Referring to the communication from your Department on the subject, in the latter part of 1897, I have the honor to commend to your attention the enclosed copy in translation of a note from the Russian Chargé d'Affaires dated the 2d instant, stating that powder from the vessel "Kodiak" of the Commercial Company of Alaska has again been stored in close proximity to the Greek Church and requesting that measures be taken for its removal.

Respectfully yours,

William R. Day

Enclosure:

From Russian Embassy May 21/June 2, 1898

Translation

No. 233.

RUSSIAN EMBASSY,

Washington, May 21/June 2, 1898.

Rec'd. June 2, 1898.

Mr. Secretary of State:

Referring to the note of 3d December, 1897, No. 137, I have the honor to inform Your Excellency that the vessel "kodiak", belonging to the Commercial Company to Alaska, has unloaded and stored powder in the building at the side of the church (Greek Church). According to the order of His Excellency, Mr. William R. Day, of the Federal Government, such powder ought to be transported to some other place. In informing your Excellency of the foregoing, I have the honor to beg you to notify the Secretary of the Interior of the matter to the end that he may take such measures as are necessary.

I avail myself of this occasion, Mr. Secretary, to renew to you the assurance of my very high consideration.

GREGOIRE de WOLLANT.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
WASHINGTON.

June 10, 1896,

Hon. Jehn G. Brady,  
Governor of Alaska,  
Sitka, Alaska.

Sir:

I transmit herewith copy of a letter from the Honorable the Secretary of State, enclosing translation of a note from the Russian Chargé d' Affaires calling attention to the fact that powder from the vessel "Kodiak" belonging to the Commercial Company of Alaska has again been stored in close proximity to the Greek Church .

I have to request that you will look into this matter at once and take such steps as will result in removing the powder complained of from the vicinity of this church property.

In conclusion, your attention is directed to the fact that a complaint, similar in character, was made against the Alaskan Commercial Company regarding the maintenance by it of a powder magazine at Kodiak near the Greek Church to the great damage of the latter and the inhabitants of the village, and that in reporting upon this matter in November of 1897, you stated that at that time it was quite probable that the magazine complained of had been removed.

Very respectfully,

*W. P. Bliss*  
Secretary.

COPY, CERTIFICATE, DISBURSEMENTS.

Miscellaneous No. 9901

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE

AUDITOR FOR THE STATE AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS.

June 18, 1898.

I hereby certify That I have examined and settled an account between the United States and J. J. Brady, Governor of Alaska, Disbursing

on account of appropriation for Contingent Expenses, Territory of Alaska, 1898

from Jan. 1, 1898, to March 31, 1898, under official bond dated Sept. 4, 1897, and find a balance due the said

United States of Seven hundred thirty seven and <sup>44</sup>/<sub>100</sub> Dollars.

\$737 <sup>44</sup>/<sub>100</sub>

Ernest G. Timmer  
Auditor for the State and other Departments.

By G. W. Estely  
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.

G. W. Estely,

Deputy Auditor.

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Department of the Interior,

Washington, April 11, 1898

The Governor of Alaska,  
Sitka.

Alaska.

SIR:

Inclosed herewith is a bill, in duplicate, on account of stationery furnished during the Quarter ended March 31, 1898, for the use of your Office from the supply purchased for the Department of the Interior. The prices charged are the same as paid by this Department.

Please cause the amount (\$ 5<sup>99</sup>/<sub>100</sub>) of this bill to be deposited, as early as practicable, with some Assistant Treasurer of the United States, or National Bank which is a designated Depository for Government funds, with request that it be placed to the credit of the "Appropriation for Stationery, Department of the Interior, for the fiscal year 1897-'98," and notify this Office at once of your action, giving the number and date of the Certificate of Deposit.

The ORIGINAL Certificate of Deposit received therefor should be sent direct to the Secretary of the Treasury. The DUPLICATE Certificate of Deposit should be attached to, and filed with, the inclosed bill, and will thus form a part of the voucher and answer in place of a receipt for its payment.

Respectfully,

*Shorkey*  
First Assistant Secretary.

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Department of the Interior,

June 25<sup>th</sup>, 1898.

Respectfully referred to the Secy of Alaska for such investigation as may be practicable, and the writer is advised.

*Shollyan*  
Acting Secretary

1844 MISCLS.  
Dated June 19<sup>th</sup>, 1898.

From Beard, Mrs. Wm  
# 2428 N. 21<sup>st</sup> St.  
The President, Philadelphia, Pa.

BRIEF OF CONTENTS.

Learning that her husband  
Capt. Wm Beard was mur-  
dered near Valdez, Prince  
William Sound, A. T. Alaska,  
she desires aid of authorities  
in ascertaining the cause  
of his death, and if pos-  
sible the apprehension of  
his murderer.

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Philadelphia Pa.

His Excellency  
William Mc Kinley  
Washington D.C.

June 19/898

Honored President

At the suggestion  
of the President of the North Star  
L. M. Co. of Alaska. Dr. Hancock I  
write to ask your aid through the  
proper officials at Valdes Prince  
William Comd. Dr. Alaker in  
apprehending of two men at  
Valdes. who claim they were with  
my husband Professor Dan Beard  
at or near his camp and that he  
was lost. Their letter is conflicting.  
first they say my husband left  
camp with the writer who got  
but he went alone left the writer  
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to tell the other men who were still  
 behind that they should Camp  
 for night. They did pitch their tents  
 and it was snowing. ~~My~~ my  
 husband at distance, hearing the  
 Valley which the professor named  
 Hancock. Then in another part he  
 says it was raining. This was  
 the last he claims he has seen  
 this man Watkins remained at Camp  
 for ten days and nothing more  
 was seen of him. Watkins and  
 his associate gathered up all my  
 husband's photographic views. Maps  
 Surveys, notes, Gold Ore, and returned  
 to Valdes. Then he wrote to our (pres)  
 Dr Hancock, demanding money  
 for the property he had taken  
 from the Companies Camp, to the  
 amount of \$100. which he has  
 no right to. ~~My~~ stating that my  
 husband was dead, asking the  
~~rest of~~ <sup>the</sup> news to me

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We feel sure that they are  
murderers. Therefore want them  
brought to justice. and made  
to produce facts in evidence  
of his death.

For the Country has  
lost a good citizen. Man of honor,  
integrity as a practical mining  
engineer and Geologist for over  
39 years he has no superiors, had  
no bad habits. Was a kind devoted  
husband and father generous  
to a fault. a devotee to his order  
of Free and accept masons. In  
behalf of our little boy I beg your  
help in Alaska. to find him or  
his body. believe God will care  
for us should he be no more.  
God bless you. is my prayer  
or should you not be able to

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render me the aid necessary  
please put me in direct  
communication with the  
proper parties officials in  
Alaska. God be with us all is  
my prayers, awaiting patiently  
your early reply. I am

2428 N 20  
Street City

Yours Respectfully  
Wm. M. Beard

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

(COPY)

Metlakatla, Alaska, 1st July, 1898.

Hon. K. M. Jackson,  
U. S. Commissioner,  
Ft. Wrangle.

Dear Sir:-

This afternoon a Company of fishermen, six being natives, with Mr. Clark as head fisherman, have returned from Nah Bay (Loring) whither they were sent to work on 27 June. The reason for their return is that they were threatened with violence by the Employees of the Alaska Packing Association and their fishing gear injured. To avoid a conflict I have sent Mr. Clark to lay his complaint before you, and to beg for protection of the Law. I have further directed Mr. Clark, unless you advise him otherwise, to proceed to Sitka and acquaint the District Attorney with the matter.

Hoping that you will kindly undertake to defend the weak against the strong while following the lawful business, I remain,  
Dear Sir,

Yours Respectfully,

(Signed) Wm. Duncan.

(COPY)

Metlakahtla, Alaska, 7 July, 1898.

My Dear Mr. Strong,

I enclose you a copy of letter I wrote the other day to U. S. Commissioner Ft. Wrangle.

Mr. Clark returned to Metlakahtla on the 5th inst. not having been farther than Ft. Wrangle, and reports that the Commissioners refused to take his Information but sent him to a lawyer (to Mr. Cockran) saying he would not be charged more than twenty dollars (\$20.00). The lawyer he said would take his affidavit, but as Mr. Clark had not been advised by me on leaving here to employ a lawyer he refused to comply with the Commissioner's advice, but went nevertheless to see the lawyer, taking a note from the Commissioner. Mr. Clark having first ascertained from the lawyer he would not charge him for conversation, he told his story but made no affidavit. The Lawyer advised him to go back to his fishing at Loring and keep a record of events, and if possible have another white man along with him as Indian Evidence he said would be easily overthrown by the opposing party.

I have decided, however, not to send the party again to Loring to provoke a conflict, but to rely upon the Law to secure our peaceful labors from attack.

Yesterday morning I called the fishing party to my room with Mr. Clark to hear what each had to say. I had not done this before for want of time. Immediately on return of the scared party, and

hearing Mr. Clark's report, I hurried him off to Kitchikan to catch the steamer going North, having no time to lose. The Natives with Mr. Clark being together yesterday morning I got a clearer statement of what had happened, and judge that under the circumstances they did well to return.

The Loring head fisherman, Bryan, first accosted them in a hostile manner, "Get out here or I'll knock the guts out of you". "The Boss will fire you plenty", "You'll have a hot time this summer". Also the Manager at Loring, Robert Meestman, went over to Mr. Clark and party's camp and warned them not to go through the rapids but keep out of the Lake, stating he would cover the place with nets, and he kept a lot of gear for that purpose, and if any one touched his nets he would "blow their dammed heads off". In writing to the U. S. Commissioner I expected he would send a Deputy Marshall Back with Mr. Clark, but so far from that he could only act if a lawyer was first employed and \$20.00 spent in taking an affidavit. This is poor kind of protection for Alaska. In B.C. they do very differently, a. J. P. takes the sworn information and acts at once upon it whether the complainant has any money to spend or not.

I cannot give time just at present to take any further proceedings, as Salmon is coming in, but later I hope to see you.

Yours sincerely,

(Sgd.) Wm. Duncan.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
WASHINGTON.

July 19, 1898.

Hon. John G. Brady,  
Governor of Alaska,  
Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

I herewith enclose you a letter from Mr. Thomas N. Strong of Portland, Oregon, who has sent to me a copy of a communication received by him from Rev. William Duncan of the Metlakahtla Indian Reservation. I also note the action of Commissioner Jackson of Fort Wrangel. It would require so much time to refer these papers through the various official channels that I have thought it better to send them directly to you asking you to make to me such a report of the circumstances as you are able to do, and also to take such steps for the preservation of the rights of the Metlakahtla Indians as it may be in your power to do. I should also like from you a report in regard to the standing and efficiency of the Commissioner above referred to, Kenneth M. Jackson, Commissioner at Wrangel.

Very respectfully,

  
Secretary.

Law Office of  
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Portland, Or. July 13-98.



The Hon.

The Secretary of the Interior,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed please find copies of letters this day received  
by me from Wm. Duncan at Metlakahtla.

It is unnecessary for me to say that Mr. Duncan is a perfectly  
reliable man. I would also add that Mr. Clark is personally known  
to me to be a very prudent and truthful man.

Some action should be taken in the North to protect these Indians  
against the lawless white fishermen.

Yours very Respectfully,

Thos. N. Strong

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.  
WASHINGTON.

July 13, 1898,

The Governor of Alaska,  
Sitka, Alaska.

Sir:

I have to request that you will forward to this Department as soon as practicable, not later than the 1st of September next, a report of the affairs and of the progress and development of the Territory of Alaska, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1898.

In order to secure uniformity in the subjects treated by the Governors of the Territories in their annual reports, I have to request that you will present in your report, information upon the following topics, or so many of them as may be applicable to the Territory of Alaska, to wit:

Population: Taxable property: Settlement of lands: Commerce and the progress of railroad enterprises: Agricultural development: Stock raising in all its branches: Mining: Forests and the production of lumber: Education: Labor supply: Condition of the Indians in the Territory: Public buildings: Legislation, and Undeveloped Resources.

In treating of Population, comparative statements showing annual increase should be given, together with notes on the distribution, and where practicable, on the character and nationality of immigration.

Full particulars in reference to the social and industrial progress of the Territory are desired.

Statistical information should not be given from estimates, where it is possible to obtain such information from original sources.

The enumeration of the topics given above is not intended to exclude the presentation of other subjects which may commend themselves to you for embodiment in your annual report; on the contrary, the fullest information is desired upon all matters relating to the progress or affecting the welfare of the Territory.

In addition to the foregoing, I deem it proper to direct your attention to the fact that great interest is manifested by the public as to the District of Alaska, in view of the recent discoveries of gold therein.

The Department has had numerous inquiries touching the following subjects, which should be as specifically covered as practicable in your report, to wit:

The means of transportation thereto, the cost thereof, transportation facilities within the District, the approximate cost of the latter, the principal business enterprises, the character of same, the names and locations of newspapers published, the cost of living in various towns, etc.

It is necessary that your report be submitted within the time above specified, in order that proper consideration may be given to the various and important subjects requiring attention

in the preparation of the Annual Report of the Secretary of the Interior.

A compliance with this request at an early date is important.

Very respectfully,

*Ed. M. ...*

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
Office of the Assistant Attorney General,  
WASHINGTON,

(Copy)

July 22, 1898,

The Secretary  
of the Interior.

Sir:

By departmental reference of June 29, 1898, I am asked for an opinion as to whether the act of May 20, 1886 (24 Stat., 59), is applicable to the schools in the Territories.

Section one of said act provides:

That the nature of alcoholic drinks and narcotics, and special instruction as to their effects upon the human system, in connection with the several divisions of the subject of physiology and hygiene, shall be included in the branches of study taught in the common or public schools, and in the Military and Naval Schools, and shall be studied and taught as thoroughly and in the same manner as other like required branches are in said schools, by the use of text books in the hands of pupils where other branches are thus studied in said schools, and by all pupils in all said schools throughout the Territories, in the Military and Naval Academies of the United States, and in the District of Columbia, and in all Indian and colored schools in the Territories of the United States.

The use of the words "throughout the Territories," in that part of the section which relates to common or public schools, and military and naval schools, makes it clear that Congress intended the act to apply to all such schools in the Territories; and it is equally clear by the closing words of the section, "in all Indian and colored schools in the Territories of the United States," that Congress intended the act to apply to such schools in the Territories.

Section 2 of the act makes it the duty of the proper officers in control of any school described in section one of the act to enforce its provisions, and by its terms any "such officer, school director, committee, superintendent or teacher who shall refuse or neglect to comply with the requirements of this act, or shall neglect or fail to make proper provisions for the instruction required and in the manner specified by the first section of this act, for all pupils in each and every school year under his jurisdiction, shall be removed from office, and the vacancy filled as in other cases."

Section 3 prohibits the granting of a certificate to any person to teach "in the public schools of the District of Columbia or Territories," after January 1, 1888, who has not passed a satisfactory examination in physiology and hygiene, with special reference to the nature and the effects of alcoholic drinks and other narcotics upon the human system.

In view of the clear and express provisions of the act referring to schools and to all pupils in said schools "throughout the Territories" and to all Indian and "colored schools in the Territories of the United States," I am of the opinion that said act is applicable to the Territories of the United States.

This being a law of the United States, it is binding in the Territories, and there is no power in any territorial legislature to enact any law inconsistent with it (See Sec. 1851 of

the Revised Statutes.)

The papers submitted with your reference are herewith returned.

Very respectfully,

(Signed) Willis Van Devanter,

Assistant Attorney-General.

Department of the Interior,  
July 22, 1898,

Approved: (Signed) Thos. Ryan  
Acting Secretary.

Respectfully referred to the

GOVERNOR OF ALASKA FOR HIS

INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE.



Secretary.

July 22, 1898,

Department of the Interior,



*J. R. P.*

L. & R. R. Div.

*E. H. H.*  
E. H. H.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

WASHINGTON,

August 22, 1898.

The Governor of Alaska,

Sitka, Alaska.

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 2nd instant, in which you call my attention to the condition of the Surveyor General's Office in Alaska.

In reply you are informed that your letter has to-day been referred to the Commissioner of the General Land Office for appropriate action.

Very respectfully,

*Thos Ryan*  
Acting Secretary.

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1898-85148 DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
M.G.O. GENERAL LAND OFFICE,  
WASHINGTON, D. C.,

*APM*

ADDRESS ONLY THE  
COMMISSIONER OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE.

August 24, 1898.

Hon. John G. Brady,  
Sitka, Alaska.

My dear Governor:

I have received by reference from the Hon. Secretary of the Interior, your letter of the 2d instant, in relation to the complaints regarding the condition of the work in the office of the Surveyor General of Alaska, and in reply would state that as his office has been supplied with the clerical force needed, it is hoped that satisfactory progress may be made in the work.

The appropriation by Congress for regular clerk hire is but \$1800 and this sum is paid to his Chief Clerk. Other employes are paid from the special deposits made by individuals for mineral work, and of course the number of employes depends upon the receipts for the class of work referred to. If he has funds available and requires more help, it will be allowed upon proper representation of the facts.

Very respectfully,

*J. M. ...*  
Acting Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.  
WASHINGTON.

August 26, 1898,

The Governor  
of Alaska.

Sir:

Your letter of the 3d instant has been received stating that no proposals were received for the construction of a school building with teacher's residence attached, on Wood Island in St. Paul Harbor, in the District of Alaska, under Department advertisement of May 12, 1898, and requesting further instructions in the matter.

In response thereto I have to state that the insertion of advertisements have this day been authorized in the Chronicle, San Francisco, California, The Post Intelligencer, Seattle, Washington, The Alaska Mining Record, Juneau, Alaska, and The Alaskan, Sitka, Alaska, soliciting proposals for the construction of the school building to be constructed at Wood Island, Alaska, to be opened at 2 o'clock P. M. Saturday, October 1, 1898.

The instructions heretofore given you in Department letter of May 12, 1898, concerning the opening of bids should be followed in the matter of the bids received under this advertisement.

I have to request that you will secure the cooperation of Judge Johnson and Clerk Elliott in the matter of opening the bids.

Very respectfully,

*E. J. Hobbs*

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, Washington, D. C., August 26, 1898.  
Sealed proposals, in duplicate, will be received at the office of  
the Hon. John S. Brady, Governor of Alaska, at Sitka, Alaska, un-  
til 2 o'clock P. M. Saturday, October 1, 1898, for the construction  
of a school building and teacher's residence attached, at Wood  
Island, in St. Paul Harbor, District of Alaska, in accordance with  
plans and specifications to be seen at the aforesaid office.  
The amount of money set aside for the construction of said build-  
ing, is \$2,200. A certified check for 5 per cent of the amount  
bid, and payable to the order of the Governor of Alaska, must ac-  
company each proposal. The right is reserved to waive defects in  
proposals and to reject any and all bids.

C. N. Bliss, Secretary.

COPY, CERTIFICATE, DISBURSEMENTS.

Miscellaneous No. 11654

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE

AUDITOR FOR THE STATE AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS.

November, 1898.

I hereby certify That I have examined and settled an account between the United States and J. G. Brady, Governor of Alaska, Disbursing

on account of appropriation for Salaries, Governor, etc., Territory of Alaska, 1898

from Jan 1, 1898, to March 31, 1898, under official bond dated Sept 4, 1897, and find a balance due the said account balanced of

     Dollars.

G. W. Estery  
Acting Auditor for the State and other Departments.

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By

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.

G. W. Estery  
Acting Deputy Auditor.  
E. W.

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Treasury Department,

Miscellaneous No. 11622

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE

AUDITOR FOR THE STATE AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS.

October 31, 1898.

I hereby certify That I have examined and settled an account between the United States and J. G. Brady, Governor of Alaska, Disbursing on account of appropriation for Contingent Expenses, Territory of Alaska, 1898 from April 1, 1898, to June 30, 1898, under official bond dated Sept 4, 1897, and find a balance due the said account balanced of \_\_\_\_\_ Dollars.

J. W. Estley  
Acting Auditor for the State and other Departments.

By \_\_\_\_\_  
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.

J. W. Estley  
Acting Deputy Auditor.  
E. P. 96

COPY, CERTIFICATE, DISBURSEMENTS

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COPY, CERTIFICATE, DISBURSEMENTS

Treasury Department

OFFICE OF  
Auditor for the State and other Departments

Washington, D.C. November 1, 1898

AUDITOR FOR THE STATE

Hon. J. G. Brady,  
Governor of Alaska,  
Sitka, Alaska.

Sir:

I enclose herewith a blank receipt for your salary as Governor  
of the Territory of Alaska for the quarter ending June 30, 1898,  
which please sign and return to this office.

Respectfully yours,

*G. W. Estley*  
Acting Auditor

Acting Auditor

E.P.B.

The above is a true copy of the original.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

WASHINGTON,

November 22, 1898.

The Governor of Alaska,

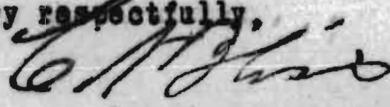
Sitka, Alaska.

Sir:-

As it is hoped that Congress will at its next session make provision for the further distribution of Reports of the Supreme Court of the United States, with special reference to the completion of sets in the hands of Executive and Judicial officers of the Government entitled to receive them, you will specially oblige this Department by returning the enclosed list of Supreme Court Reports, having first distinctly checked the volumes, if any, in which your set is deficient.

This information is desired in order that the Department may be prepared to act promptly in distributing these reports should Congress take favorable action in the premises.

Very respectfully,



Secretary.

*M.R.B.*

M.R.B.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Executive Mansion,

Washington, D.C., November 25, 1898.

ORDER.

Executive Order of July 12, 1897, issued under the provisions of the Sundry Civil Act of Congress approved June 4, 1897, is hereby amended so that Skagway, as well as Dyse, which was named in said Order, shall be the official residence and business place of the Commissioner in and for that District of Alaska.

William McKinley.

Department of the Interior,  
November 26, 1898.

Official copy for the  
Governor of Alaska.

*Edward M. Dawson*  
Chief Clerk.

*MW*

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE,  
WASHINGTON.

December 8, 1898.

His Excellency

The Governor of Alaska,

Sitka, Alaska.

Sir:

I have the honor to inform you that your letter of the 14th ultimo, relative to the death of Mr. George Clark, has been received and a copy thereof sent to the British Ambassador at this capital.

In accordance with your suggestion, the Department has requested the United States Commissioner at St. Michael to furnish an authenticated certificate of Mr. Clark's death.

Thanking you for your attention to the matter in question, I have the honor to be, Sir, your obedient servant

*John Key*

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
WASHINGTON.

Dec. 19, 1898,

The Governor of Alaska,

Sitka, Alaska,

Sir;

I forward to your address by to-day's mail, registered, for your official use, five hundred copies of your annual report for 1898, just received from the Public Printer.

Very respectfully,

*Herbert Ryan*

Acting Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
WASHINGTON.

December 21, 1898,

The Governor  
of Alaska.

Sir:

Your letter has been received calling attention to the necessity for suppressing the practice of witchcraft in the District of Alaska, and requesting that the United States gunboat "Wheeling" be authorized to cooperate with you in the enforcement of Alaskan laws.

In response thereto, I have to state that the Secretary of the Navy, to whose attention your communication was called, advises me, under date of the 17th instant, that the gunboat "Wheeling" has been ordered to cruise along the Alaskan coast.

Very respectfully,

*L. M. Howe*

Secretary.

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Copy.

Sitka, Alaska, December 9, 1898.

To the

Secretary of the Interior,  
Washington, D.C.

Sir:-

I feel it my duty to write you concerning the conduct of  
Hon. W. L. Distin the Surveyor General of Alaska.

A short time ago the above named gentleman, who is by  
birth a Polish Jew, with the instinctive desire of his race to make  
money, bought a frame building, and without permission from the Gov-  
ernment moved the same on to the Government Reserve at Sitka.

This was done for the purpose of having a building for a  
Land Office, so he states. This man has and is now arranging with the  
Department in Washington to rent this building to them for a Land Of-  
fice, and expects to live in the Building at the same time free from  
rent. The building cost the Surveyor General \$200.00, but he expects  
to draw \$50.00 a month rent from the Government, and at the same time  
keep said building on Government land free. Also to use the building  
for a home for his family.

This affair has created a great deal of talk in Alaska,  
for the Government is being wronged by a Government official.

This private building has no right to stand on the Gov-  
ernment Reserve, and the Surveyor General should be compelled to re-  
move the same at once. There is the greatest danger of fire, as the

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Marine Barracks is only a few feet distant, as well as other Govern-  
ment Buildings, and this frame building is a constant menace.

No Government official should be permitted to enter into  
such a scheme as the above. It is hoped that the authorities in Sitka  
will be instructed to tear down and remove from the Government Reserve  
this private building of the Surveyor General, erected without permis-  
sion. The Surveyor General has openly stated that he will receive in  
rents, in less than a year, more than what the building has cost him.

Yours truly,

O. ODELL

Miscellaneous No. 12153

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.  
WASHINGTON.

December 21, 1898.

The Governor of Alaska,

Sitka, Alaska.

Sir:-

I enclose herewith a copy of a letter signed by one O. Odell, of Sitka, Alaska, charging W. L. Distin, the Surveyor-General of Alaska, with having moved a frame building to the Government Reserve at Sitka, which is a menace to the Government buildings on that reservation. He also states that the Surveyor-General purchased this building at a cost of two hundred dollars, and is negotiating with the Land Office for the purpose of renting the same for the sum of fifty dollars a month, keeping the building upon Government land, free of charge.

The writer of this letter is unknown to me, but I deem it proper to advise you as to these charges, and to request that you will look into them and furnish me with as detailed a report as practicable as to their truthfulness.

Very respectfully,

Secretary.

Miscellaneous No. 12153

COPY OF CERTIFICATE

OF

Auditor for the State and Other Departments

ON THE ACCOUNT OF

J. G. Brady  
Governor

Contingent Expenses  
Territory of Alaska 1898

From July 1, 1898

To September 30, 1898

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CERTIFICATE

Other Departments

OF

J. G. Brady  
Governor

Territory of  
Alaska 1898

From July 1, 1898

To September 30, 1898

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COPY, CERTIFICATE, DISBURSEMENTS.

Miscellaneous No. 12153

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE

AUDITOR FOR THE STATE AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS.

January 6., 1899.

I hereby certify That I have examined and settled an account between the  
United States and J. J. Brady, Governor, Disbursing  
of Alaska

in account of appropriation for Contingent Expenses Territory  
of Alaska 1899

from July 1, 1898, to September 30, 1898, under  
official bond dated Sept 4, 1897, and find a balance due the said  
United States of Seven hundred \$700

Dollars.

\$700<sup>00</sup>

Ernest G. Timme

Auditor for the State and other Departments.

By

G. W. Esterly

Deputy Auditor.

To the Secretary of the Treasury  
(Director of Bookkeeping and Warrants)

To the Governor of Alaska

The above is a true copy of the original.

G. W. Esterly

Deputy Auditor.

J. J. S.

COPY OF CERTIFICATE

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Miscellaneous No. 12151

Miscellaneous No. 1216

COPY OF CERTIFICATE

OF

Auditor for the State and Other

ON THE ACCOUNT OF

J. G. Brady  
Governor  
Disbursing  
Salaries, Gov  
etc, Territory  
Alaska 1898

From

July 1  
To September

Miscellaneous No. 12151

COPY OF CERTIFICATE

OF

Auditor for the State and Other Departments

ON THE ACCOUNT OF

J. G. Brady  
Governor  
Disbursing  
Salaries, Governor  
etc, Territory of  
Alaska 1898

From

April 1, 1898  
To June 30, 1898



Office of the Auditor General  
Washington D.C. Dec 20 1898

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MISCELLANEOUS  
Form 83.

Miscellaneous

United States  
of Alaska  
from  
office

Miscellaneous No. 12157

COPY OF CERTIFICATE

MISCELLANEOUS DIVISION,  
Form 83.—Ed. 6 15 96 2,000.

COPY, CERTIFICATE, DISBURSEMENTS.

Miscellaneous No. 12157

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE

AUDITOR FOR THE STATE AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS.

January 6, 1899.

I hereby certify That I have examined and settled an account between the  
United States and J. G. Brady, Governor, Disbursing  
of Alaska,

in account of appropriation for Salaries, Governor etc, Territory  
of Alaska 1898

from April 1, 1898, to June 30, 1898, under  
official bond dated Sept. 4, 1897, and find ~~a balance due~~ the said  
account balanced of

100 Dollars,

Ernest G. Timme

Auditor for the State and other Departments.

By

W. O. Estley

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.

J. W. Estley

MISCELLANEOUS DIVISION. Form 83.—Ed. 6 15 96 2,000.

COPY, CERTIFICATE, DISBURSEMENTS.

Miscellaneous No. 12152

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE

AUDITOR FOR THE STATE AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS.

January 6, 1899.

I hereby certify That I have examined and settled an account between the United States and J. G. Brady, Governor, Disbursing of Alaska an account of appropriation for Salaries, Governor etc, Territory of Alaska 1899 from July 1, 1898, to September 30, 1898, under official bond dated September 4, 1897, and find a balance due the said account balanced of

175 Dollars.

Ernest G. Truene

Auditor for the State and other Departments.

By G. W. Esterly

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.

G. W. Esterly Deputy Auditor.

J. A. N.

Ernest G. Truene

Auditor for the State and other Departments.

By G. W. Esterly

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.

G. W. Esterly



Office of the Attorney General,

Washington, D.C. December 27, 1898.

# 19840-1898.

Hon. John G. Brady,  
Governor of Alaska,  
Sitka.

Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of the 5th inst relative to the duties of United States Deputy Marshals, and inquiring whether they ought to exercise the duties of police constables.

In my opinion a Deputy Marshal can not properly be required to do police duty in the ordinary sense. Of course where a Marshal or a Deputy Marshal witnesses a violation of a Federal statute, it is his duty, ordinarily, to arrest the offender on sight and take him before a Commissioner or Judge; but the Marshal can not be required to furnish Deputies to take the place of the ordinary police or constabulary force necessary to control and keep in order the inhabitants of a town or settlement.

In the code for Alaska, prepared by the Commission and recently reported to Congress, provision is made for a constabulary force such as you suggest. If Congress passes this code at the present session, the matter will be provided for.

Very respectfully,

*John C. Griffin*  
Attorney-General.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.  
WASHINGTON.

March 25, 1899.

Brady,  
Governor of Alaska,  
Sitka, Alaska.

Sir:-

My attention has been called to the enclosed slip dated Seattle, Washington, March 21st, and purporting to give an interview with you regarding the situation in respect to the boundary line in Alaska.

I trust that this report is incorrect, as otherwise, upon reflection, I am sure you will see the impropriety of any Government's officials giving expression to sentiments likely to create either incendiary talk or action upon a question of the utmost delicacy and difficulty now pending before the two Governments directly interested, and both of which are sincerely endeavoring to dispose of such question in a manner alike creditable and just to each, and which question demands the calmest and most considerate treatment. I am,

Very respectfully,

*E. A. M. H. H. H.*

Secretary.

J. L. BRISTOW

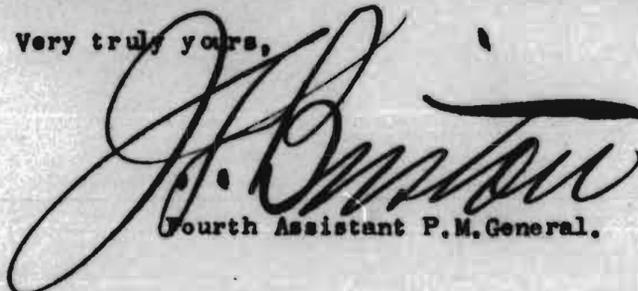
OFFICE OF  
FOURTH ASSISTANT POSTMASTER GENERAL  
WASHINGTON

December 23, 1898.

My dear Sir:

Yours of the 24th instant, in regard to the Skagway post-office, received and contents noted. Mr. Sampson, the postmaster, has been given a leave of absence, and the office is in the hands of an exceptionally good assistant, so there will be no change in the office.

Very truly yours,



Fourth Assistant P.M. General.

Hon. John G. Brady, Governor,  
Sitka, Alaska.

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COMMISSIONERS.  
JOHN R. PROCTOR, President.  
JOHN B. HARLOW.  
MARK S. BREWER.  
A. RALPH SEBYEN, Chief Examiner.  
JOHN T. DOYLE, Secretary.

Address: "CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION,  
WASHINGTON, D. C."

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO  
8 FILE NO. B.-K. 200.  
AND DATE OF THIS LETTER.

United States  
Civil Service Commission,  
Washington, D. C.

December 24, 1898.

The Honorable  
The Governor of Alaska.

Sir:

In reply to a letter, without signature, dated December 5, 1898, from the Office of the Governor of Alaska, asking for information as to what offices in Alaska are covered by the civil service rules, and also as to how far the rules have been observed in that Territory, you are informed that practically all employes of the general government, in Alaska as well as elsewhere, are included in the classified civil service, excepting persons employed as mere laborers and persons whose appointments are subject to confirmation by the Senate; excepting also the employes or positions mentioned in Civil Service Rule VI (14th Report, pages 117-118).

In practice, however, the remoteness of the Territory, and the lack of applications for examinations for positions, have combined to prevent, thus far, a satisfactory operation of the civil service rules in Alaska.

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In the departmental service five appointments through examination have been made to positions in Alaska, -three teachers in the Alaskan school service, and two Special Treasury Agents for the Seal Islands. A number of temporary appointments have also been made under paragraph 12 of Civil Service Rule VIII, both in the departmental and customs services.

In the interest of the efficient administration of the local offices of the Territory, and the execution of the civil service rules and regulations, it is desirable that the positions now occupied by temporary employes should be filled by probational appointment from the eligible registers of the Commission. The costly element of experience, so highly prized and liberally rewarded in private business, must, in the nature of things, be largely wasted under a system of temporary employes. The holding of examinations in various parts of Alaska to establish registers of eligibles, would, without doubt, if generally known beforehand, result in many temporary employes taking the examinations and securing regular probational appointments. Indeed, in the absence of a sufficient number of other applicants, the examinations might be held chiefly for this purpose. The Commission has established registers of eligibles on the Pacific coast, from which, in the absence of eligibles in the Territory, appointments might, perhaps, be made.

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The Commission is desirous of perfecting the operation of Civil Service Rules and Regulations in Alaska, and will welcome suggestions offered with a view to effecting this result. A copy of the Fourteenth Report of the Commission is forwarded under separate cover.

Very respectfully,

*John P. ...*  
President.

COMMISSIONERS.  
ROOYER, President.  
CARLOW.

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO  
8 FILE NO. B.-K. 1111.  
AND DATE OF THIS LETTER.

## Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE  
COMPTROLLER OF THE CURRENCY,

Washington, D. C., August 25, 1898.

Mr. John G. Brady,  
National Bank Examiner,  
Sitka, Alaska.

Sir:

For your guidance in making examinations where a state bank proposes to enter the national system under section 5154 of the United States Revised Statutes, or where a state bank goes into voluntary liquidation and transfers its business to either a newly organized or an already established national bank, the following instructions are given:

The capital stock of the national bank can not consist of assets of the state association, but must be paid in IN CASH, and your report must show where the money is on deposit to the credit of the new association.

Section 5140 provides that at least fifty per cent of the capital must be paid in before the bank will be authorized to commence business, and the remainder in instalments of at least ten per cent each on the whole amount of the capital as frequently as one instalment at the end of each succeeding month.

MISSIONERS.  
PROCTOR, President.  
HARLOW.

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO  
8 FILE NO. B.-K. 600.  
AND DATE OF THIS LETTER.

Please examine very carefully the assets to be transferred to the new association, which can not include excessive loans, as defined in section 5200, stocks, real estate other than that necessary for the immediate accommodation and transaction of its business, or loans secured by real estate. If any such items are held, a statement signed by a majority of the directors of the proposed bank to the effect that they will not be taken as a part of the assets of the new association must be obtained and mailed with your report of examination.

Your report should be made on the regular report blank (form No. 251) and forwarded promptly to the Comptroller of the Currency.

Hereafter detailed instructions in such a case will not be given by telegraph, but reference made in the telegram to this circular letter which should be carefully preserved, and your examinations conducted in strict accordance therewith.

Respectfully yours,

*Charles G. Hawes*

Comptroller.

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Form 220.  
Bond Clerk.—Ed. 9 16 98 500.

TRANSMITTING EXAMINER'S CHECKS.

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF

COMPTROLLER OF THE CURRENCY,

Washington, D. C.,

February 11<sup>th</sup> 1899

To

Hon. John G. Dray  
National Bank Examiner,

Sitka

Alaska.

Sir:

I inclose herein Check No. 6432 on Chemical National Bank of  
New York, for One hundred Dollars,  
for payment of your bill of July 25<sup>th</sup> December 30<sup>th</sup>  
1898.

Respectfully yours,

Lawrence O. Murray

Deputy Comptroller.