

At the same time I have the honor to present to your Excellency the account of expenditures for the last year; which account is a copy almost verbatim of the daily journals which I am obliged to keep. On the account of last year; was a balance unpaid; which I have set down, as nearly as I remembered, in pencil, but which your clerk can easily verify by reference to the original account. In addition to the balance which will still be shewn in this account, there will be some other articles of expense, whose precise amount cannot be ascertained now, such as some drawing paper of superior quality from Paris, soon expected, a small sum for the wintering of the horses, &c. &c. I would therefore respectfully request that your Excellency will direct a sum not less than \$500 to be placed at my disposal; which will enable me to discharge those obligations as soon as they shall require it without reference or appeal to my private funds.

In conclusion, I beg your Excellency to accept the assurance of esteem with which

I have the honor to be,

Very respectfully,

Your Excellency's Obedient Servant,

J. H. ALEXANDER.