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Office of the Com. Genl. of Subs.
Washington 29th September 1821

Circular.

Sir

An error has been discovered in the form of the Abstract of issues to Troops forwarded to you on the 13th Ulto. Enclosed is a corrected form, which you will render in future.

Respectfully
Yr. Obt. St
Geo Gibson Comy Gl

Lieut N. Clark
Asst Qmr of Dist
St Peters
Mississippi

Lieut. J. Clark
Asst Com. of Subsc
St. Peters
Mississippi

Office of the Com. Gen. of Subsistence
Washington 7 November 1821

Sir

On the 21st May 1821 Lieutenant H. Wilkins of the 5th Inf. receipted to Captain McGunegle Asst. Quarter Master at St Louis for the following provisions

202	barrels	flour	
13 "		whiskey said to contain	439 3/4 gallons
4 "		vinegar " "	125 "
2 Boxes		Candles "	233 pounds
10 "		Soap "	571 "

which he engaged to deliver to the Asst. Com: of Subsistence at Prairie du Chien — In Captain Sinclair's returns for July he acknowledges to have received as follows

100	barrels	flour
290 1/2	gallons	whiskey
74	"	vinegar
221	pounds	Candles
539	"	Soap

The difference of 102 barrels flour, 149 1/4 gallons whiskey 51 gallons vinegar 32 pounds Candles and 11 pounds Soap remains unaccounted for. I have to request

on

You will state if all or any portion of these Provisions have reached St Peters and if not what has become of them

I am yr ob Sr

Geo Gibson Esq

Lieut. N. Clark

Asst Com: of Subs

St Peters

Office of the Com. Gen. of Subs
Washington 3rd Decr 1821

Sir

There is an error of $10 in the addition of the debit side of your account current for the 3rd quarter of the year, making the balance due you $396 15/100 in lieu of $386 15/100 which you will correct in your next quarterly acct

I am
respectfully
Your mo. ob. Servt

Geo Gibson Comy Gen

Lt. Nathan Clarke
Ast Com. of Subs
St Peters
via
St Louis

Feb 20th 1845

Lieutenant R. Clark
Asst Comy of Sub
St Peters
Via St Louis
Missouri

Office of the Com. Gen. of Subsistence
Washington 23d March 1822

Sir

Your letter of the 10 January, accompanied by a contract for fresh beef made with Joseph Ralette has been received, enclosed you will find a blank Contract and bond together with the executed contract which I approve of but will alter in the following manner. As it is not improbable that a drove of cattle may have been sent from St Louis after the date of your contract, stipulate in the new contract that Ralette commences issuing when the Public cattle at St Peters are expended — agree to pay the Contractor quarterly and if it was originally understood that he should be paid in Eastern funds you will give him drafts to be accompanied by letters of advice and an invoice of the quantity received for the consideration of which the draft is given, if payment is to be made to Ralette

Our

at St Peters or Prairie du Chien the assistant Com
of Pub at those posts will be supplied with funds
for that purpose — the latter mode is most advantageous
to the Government. Procure Rabette's signature
to the bond for the sum Colonel Snelling may designate
and transmit it to this office with the understanding
that Respy Astors of New York will unite with him
in the bond. Communicate the contents of this letter
to Colonel Snelling

For Mr. A. S.

Geo Gibson Lt G S

Saml W Clark
Ass Com of Pub
St Peters

L. N. Clark

a. E. S.

H. Peters

Office of the Com Gen of Subsistence
Washington 26 March 1820

Sir

Accompanying this you will receive a copy of the contract for furnishing provisions at St Peters

You are required to be extremely particular in the examination and inspection of the provisions tendered under the contract. And will not accept for any articles inferior in quality to those required by the terms of the contract

Respectfully
Yr. Obt Sert
Geo Gibson C.G.S

Lieut N. Clark
Assistant Qr Mr
St Peters

P.S. I enclose, for your information and guidance a copy of a letter addressed to Col Johnson on the 4 March

Copy

Office of the Com. Gen. Sub.
Washington 4 March 1822

Sir,

General H. Atkinson, commanding at St. Louis, has just informed me, that one company of the 5th Regiment U. S. Infantry, now stationed at St. Peters, will be removed to Fort Edwards on the upper Mississippi, 249 miles above St. Louis. In consequence of this arrangement, it becomes necessary to reduce the quantity of provisions, heretofore required at St. Peters, and to make a delivery at Fort Edwards. The following is the quantity now required at St. Peters —

360 Barrels of Pork
750 do " Flour
4205 Gallons " Whiskey
343 Bushels " Beans
2142 Pounds " Soap
1900 do " Candles &
84 Bushels " Salt

And the following is required at Fort Edwards —

40 Barrels of Pork
125 do " Flour
715 Gallons " Whiskey
50 Bushels " Beans
357 Pounds " Soap
330 do " Candles &
14 Bushels " Salt

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I have consulted with Colonel R. M. Johnson on this subject, who informs me that he has no doubt you will deliver the provisions as above enumerated, and consent to such deduction on account of transportation, as may be deemed equitable for the quantity delivered at Fort Edwards, and deducted from the St. Peters' delivery —

I have to request your early answer to this communication —

I am Sir &c &c

Signed Geo: Gibson
C. G. S.

Col. Chas Johnson
Army Contractor

Office of the Com Gen of Sub
Elizabeth Town 1 April 1822

Sir

When I addressed you on the 26 Ult. it did not occur to me that the law establishing the Commissariat expired on the 14 day of April 1823. I can make no contract nor sanction any made by my assistants which extends beyond that period

In mine of the 26 March you were instructed to alter Rabett's contract so as to make his issues commence when the Public beef on hand was expended, this was done under a presumption that Mr. Jacob Brown ass. Com of Subsistence might have contracted for fresh beef deliverable at St Peters subsequent to the date of your contract with Rabett, this has been the case as I am just advised by Mr. Brown in a letter dated the 1 March. Mr. Brown does not state the quantity he has contracted for deliverable at Fort at St Peters, but in reference to his advertisement for proposals taken from a Missouri

paper I find he offers to contract for 5400 of same and if he has contracted for the quantity which is quite probable, it will serve the Troops for one year and this supercedes the necessity of making a contract at all with Mr Rotette

I should be sorry if Mr R. felt disappointed at losing the contract but feel perfectly justified under the circumstances of the case in instructing you not to make a contract, as there is a sufficient quantity on hand and contracted for by Lt Brown to subsist the troops at St Peters until the expiration of the law establishing the Commissariat.

You will acknowledge the receipt of this letter & make a full report on the subject connected therewith.

Respectfully
Yr Mo. obt Svt
Geo Gibson Lt Gen

Lewis N. Clark
Asst Com of Sub
St Peters

Washington Mississippi 1832

Dear Sir

Your letter to Colonel Gibson dated 14th of 1831 was received in November. The Colonel requested my attention to your letter and on calling at the General Land office I was there informed that the law of March 1831 granting relief to purchasers of public lands had expired, but that it was extremely probable the law would be renewed during the then session. I accordingly concluded to retain the documents in my hands and wait the result. A law has passed extending the period of relief to 30 Septr 1832 which law you will find herewith enclosed.

The blank receipts you enclosed to Col Gibson will not suffice to obtain money from the Treasury, they are accordingly returned, mutilated to guard against accident. I will retain in my possession the certificate of purchase granted you by the Register of the Land office at Detroit and if prior to 30 Sept. next you remit to the office the documents (your own or any officer of the Regt) or money

Over

to the amount of 2865$ accompanied by ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ an expression of your wish to avail yourself of the provisions of the 4th section of the act of March 1821 I will with pleasure make the payment and receive and forward you the patent

The sum of 2865$ will complete the payment agreeably to the information given me at the General Land office

I salute you respectfully

S. H. Tones

Captain USA

S. N. Clark
Acting Commissioner
of Pensions

* Do not forward the pay of any officer who has an unsettled account on any of the auditors books as by a late law, which no doubt you are or will be apprised of no officer can receive his pay who is a public debtor

Lieutenant N. Clark

Ass'tom of Subsistence

St. Peters

Office of the Com. Gen. of Sub.
Washington 18th. June 1822

Sir,

In reply to yours of 6th. ult. I refer you to the enclosed extracts from my circular of 7th. July 1819, with this addition; that when extra issues of whiskey are made you will be careful to remark in the proper column of your abstracts the purpose to which it was applied.

There is not any necessity for making a separate report of the purchase, or other live stock at the Posts, but your returns should regularly exhibit the quantity on hand shewing their increase, or diminution as the case may be, and it is my earnest desire that you should commence the issues of fresh beef as soon as the cattle may be in a proper state to be killed.

Respectfully
Your mo. ob. Servt.

Geo Gibson C.G.S.

Lt. Nathan Clark
A.C.S.
Fort Gt. Antoney
via St. Louis

Extracts from a Circular dated

Office of the Com. Genl. of Subs.
Washington 7th July 1847

"As extra issues of Candles, soap, salt, vinegar, are made on Returns expressing the number of Rounds, Quarts &c; the returns will not be entered in the Abstract of issues to the Troops, or, to men in Hospital, but will form an item of themselves, and be entered in the Monthly Returns of Provisions received and issued."

"Extra Whiskey is usually drawn by the ration, and can be entered in the Abstract of Provisions issued".

P. Geo. Gibson
Com. Genl. of Subs.

Office of the Com. Gen. of Subsistence

Washington 30 July 1820

Sir

You will please forward to this office with as little delay as possible, a statement exhibiting the quantity of provisions required to meet the issues to the troops and Indians, and sales to officers at St Peters, for one year commencing 1 June 1823 and ending 31 May 1824

You will deduct from this statement the quantity of soap, candles and vinegar, and the other articles of subsistence which will be manufactured at the post for the use of the troops within the contract year, You will also deduct the quantity of provisions which will probably remain on hand on the 1st day of June next of your present stock

Respectfully
Your ob. Sert

Geo Gibson Com G S

Lieut R. Clark
A Com of Sub
St Peters

(Circular)

Office of the Com: Gen: of Subsis
Washington 5th Septem: 1822

Sir,

At several of the Posts where fresh beef is furnished on the hoof & slaughtered by the Commissariat, a quantity of Candles have been made equal to the required issues to the Troops. —

I shall be extremely gratified if you could make the necessary arrangements & manufacture the Tallow saved from the slaughtered Cattle into Candles & thus prevent the necessity for including that article in the future Contracts for Ft. Peters.

At several Posts Vinegar is also manufactured by the Commissariat, You will please report if this article & that of Soap can be manufactured at Your Post. — the necessary expenditures for materials in the manufacture of Candles, Soap & Vinegar will be made by You. — I doubt not on application the Commanding Officer will order you a detail of men should their services be required in the manufactory, and to each man so detailed you are authorised to pay 15. ¢ day, while he is actually employed. —

Please acknowledge the receipt of this Letter & communicate the Opinion & views of the Commanding Officer & yourself thereon

Respectfully Yr Mst Ob:

Geo Gibson C.G.S.

Lewis N. Clark
A.C. / Ft Peters

Office of the Com Gen of Sub
Washington 2d September 1822

Sir

I am this day unofficially informed, from a source however entitled to every credit, that Mr Kennerly cannot furnish you a barrel of pork under the contract made with him, nor can it be procured in St Louis, I have this day written to Le Russel Ass Com of Sub. at Prairie du chien to send you what Pork he can possibly spare — probably 50 barrels — if you deem a further supply of the meat part of the ration necessary I presume you will have no difficulty in procuring ~~at Fort~~ fresh beef from Prairie du chien — Should you make a contract or purchase you are authorised to draw on me for the quantity delivered

L. N. Clark
A C Sub. A Peters

Yr Ob Sr
Geo Gibson C G S

G. N. Clark
asst com of pub
St. Peters

Office of the Com Gen. of Subsistence
Washington 7 October 1820

Sir

I have charged Lieutenant Jacob Brown asst Com of Sub. at St Louis with supplying the post of Sp[ringfield] with fresh beef. You are therefore instructed to furnish him with annual estimates of the probable quantity required, and will keep him apprised of all circumstances connected with this branch of the Commissariat which it is necessary he should be made acquainted with.

It is contemplated in future to contract for provisions deliverable annually at your post, should the contractor fail in whole or in part either from inability to comply or from condemnation of provisions tendered, it will be your duty to report all the circumstances without the least delay to Lt Brown at St Louis who is instructed to supply the deficiency in such cases — If however it should happen which is extremely improbable that provisions can

be purchased at St Peters you will in that
purchase if the prices asked are not too
and notify Lieutenant Brown of the fact.

I wish particularly to impress on your mind the absolute necessity of immediately informing Lt. Brown if the contractor fails in the delivery of any article which will cause a deficiency at the Post

You will acknowledge the receipt of this letter

Respectfully

Jo Mc Ab. S.

Geo Gibson Lt S

Lieut N Clark
A C S
St Peters

Office of the Com. Gen. of Subsistence
Washington 25 October 1822

Sir

I take the earliest opportunity to inform you that the contract about to be made for the supply of Provisions at St Peters for the approaching contract year will not embrace the article of vinegar as it is confidently believed you will be enabled to manufacture a quantity sufficient for the use of the Troops

Respectfully your Mo Obt Sr

Geo Gibson C G S

Lieutenant N. Clark
A C S
St Peters

Office of the Com Gen of Pub

Washington 14 December 1822

Sir

Enclosed is a copy of the [illegible] made for the annual [illegible] at Dr Peters and the copy of a letter addressed to the contractors requiring their delivery. The contract will govern you as to the quality of the provisions and mode of inspection. The copy of the letter addressed to Messrs Yarnall & Pemberton will govern as to the quantity you are to receive. The inspectors certificate must be attached to the receipts you furnish to the contractors. As a precautionary measure I also enclose you a copy of a letter addressed to you in the 7 Oct

Respl &c

Geo Gibson Lt Gen

Lt N. Clark a c s
Peters

Copy

Office of the Com. Genl. of Subs.

Washington 30 November 1822

Gentlemen

I seize the earliest opportunity of informing you, that your delivery on the 15th June next, at St. Peters, under your contract with this Department, will be as follows:

300	Barrels	of	Pork
570	do	"	Flour
290	Bushels	"	Beans
3.000	Gallons	"	Whiskey
3.200	Pounds	"	Soap
1.720	do	"	Candles
100	Bushels	"	Salt

This change in the quantity contracted for, is predicated on an Estimate of what will be required at St. Peters, just received from the A. C. S. at that Post. You will observe, that no article is diminished more than 1/3 in quantity — The right to reduce to that extent, on giving 60 days notice, is reserved in the first article of the contract.

The estimate alluded to above, does not call for any candles, a sufficient quantity having been manufactured by the Troops at St. Peters — in consequence,

I would much prefer to dispense with the delivery of that article altogether.

Please inform me of your decision on the subject. —

Respectfully

Yr. Obt Servt.

/signed/ Geo. Gibson C.G.S.

Peter Yarnall

&

James Pemberton Esqrs

Army Contractors

Wheeling Va

Circular

Office of the Com. Gen. of Sub
Washington 19th March 1823

Sir

You will find herewith copy of a letter from the Secretary of War of 18th. Inst. together with a copy of the act "concerning the disbursement of Public money" passed the last session of Congress; to both of which your attention is particularly requested, but more expressly to that part of the Secretary's letter which relates to the rendition of your accounts for the three first quarters of the present year as early after that period as practicable.

Respectfully
Your mo. ob. Servt

Geo Gibbons G S

Lt. Nathan Clarke
A. C. S.
Ft. Peters
via
St. Louis

An Act concerning the Disbursement of Public Money.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, from and after the passing of this act, no advance of public money shall be made in any case whatever; but, in all cases of contracts for the performance of any service, or the delivery of articles of any description, for the use of the United States, payment shall not exceed the value of the service rendered, or of the articles delivered previously to such payment: *Provided,* That it shall be lawful, under the special direction of the President of the United States, to make such advances to the disbursing officers of the government as may be necessary to the faithful and prompt discharge of their respective duties, and to the fulfilment of the public engagements: *And, provided also,* That the President of the United States may direct such advances as he may deem necessary and proper, to such persons in the military and naval service as may be employed on distant stations, where the discharge of the pay and emoluments to which they may be entitled, cannot be regularly effected.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That every officer or agent of the United States, who shall receive public money which he is not authorized to retain, as salary, pay, or emolument, shall render his accounts quarter-yearly, to the proper accounting officers of the Treasury, with the vouchers necessary to the correct and prompt settlement thereof, within three months at least, after the expiration of each successive quarter, if resident within the United States; and within six months, if resident in a foreign country: *Provided,* That nothing herein contained shall be construed to restrain the Secretaries of any of the Departments from requiring such returns from any officer or agent, subject to the control of such Secretaries, as the public interest may require.

Sec. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That every officer or agent of the United States, who shall offend against the provisions of the preceding sections, shall, by the officer charged with the direction of the Department to which such offending officer is responsible, be promptly reported to the President of the United States, and dismissed from the public service: *Provided,* That, in all cases, where any officer, in default as aforesaid, shall account, to the satisfaction of the President, for such default, he may be continued in office; any thing in the foregoing provision to the contrary notwithstanding.

Sec. 4. *And be it further enacted,* That no security given to, or obligation entered into with, the government, shall be in any wise impaired, by the dismissing any officer, or from failure of the President to dismiss any officer coming under the provision of this act.

Approved.—*Washington, January* 31, 1823.

Copy

Department of War
18 March 1823

Sir,

You will communicate to the Officers and Agents of your Department copies of the Act "concerning the disbursement of public money" passed at the last session of Congress, or such parts of it as relates to them for their information and direction, and you will instruct them that the provisions of the Act will be strictly enforced; and that in those cases where existing orders and regulations require returns to be made for shorter Periods than are specified in the Act, it is not intended there shall be any relaxation of the orders or regulations.

The President designs at the opening of the next session of Congress to accompany his Message with statements similar to those of last year, showing the condition of each branch of the Military Service. You will therefore see the importance of a prompt rendition and settlement of all public accounts, and particularly that the money remitted in the three first quarters of the ~~year~~ present Year be accounted for as soon after the expiration of that Period as Practicable, and that your Dept be put in the best possible condition.

I have the honor to be
Your Obt Servt
signed J C Calhoun

Colonel Gibson
Com Gen of Subsistence

Office of the Com Gen of Subsistence
Washington 11 March 1823

Sir.

Your returns for November and December have been received and on examination found correct, which will enable the 3d Auditor to settle your Commission account up to the 31 Dec 1822.

respectfully
Your Ob Servt
Geo Gibson Cls

Lt A Clark
A C S
Fort St Anthony
via St Louis Mo

Office of the Com. Gen. of Pub.
Washington 18th February 1823.

Sir

Your accounts for the 3rd quarter of 1822 have this day been adjusted, and transferred to the 3rd Auditor for final settlement.

The balance due by you to the United States on that account is $215 9/100 instead of $213 14/100; making a difference of $1 25/100. which should be credited in abstracts of sales to officers in October & December 1821.

On the receipt of this, you will make your accounts correspond with the books of this office.

Respectfully &c
Your ms. ob. Serv.
Geo Gibbons C.G.

Capt. Nathan Clarke
A. C. S.
Fort St. Anthony

Office of the Com. Gen. of Subs.
Washington April 21st 1828.

Sir,

As a measure of precaution, I herewith enclose you a duplicate copy of Peter Yarnall & James Pemberton's contract for St. Peters, for the ensuing year. address as usual. —

Respectfully
Yr. mo. obt. Sr.
S. H. Hookum
Actg Com Gen Subs

G. N. Clark
a. C. S.
St. Peters.

Office of the Com Gen of Subsistence
Washington 21 January 1823

Sir

Enclosed is a copy of Peter Farnalls & James Pemberton's contract for St Peters, also a copy of a letter to the Contractors reducing the quantity to be delivered, You will perceive that after receiving your estimate it was my wish to dispense with the articles of candles to which proposition however they did not consent.

I wish you to be very particular in the inspection of these articles tendered for delivery and be careful to attach the sworn inspectors certificate to the receipts you give the Contractors which was not done in the former contract You will also find enclosed a copy of a letter

Our

addressed to you 7 October

Respectfully
Yr Mo. ob. Sr
Geo Gibson Lt G S

Lieut. N. Clark
A C S
J. Peters

(Copy)

Office of the Com. Gen. of Subsis.ce
Washington 30th November 1822

Gentlemen,

I seize the earliest opportunity of informing you, that your delivery on the 1st of June next, at St. Peters, under your contract with this department, will be as follows:

300 Barrels of Pork,
570 do " Flour
290 Bushels " Beans
3.000 Gallons " Whiskey
3.200 Pounds " Soap
1.720 do " Candles
100 Bushels " Salt.

This change in the quantity contracted for, is predicated on an estimate of what will be required at St. Peters, just received from the Agt. Com. of Subsistence at that Post. — You will observe, that no article is diminished more than 1/3d in quantity: the right to reduce to that extent, on giving sixty days notice, is reserved in the first article of the contract.

The estimate alluded to above, does not

over

call for any candles — a sufficient quantity having been manufactured by the Troops at St. Peters — In consequence, I would much prefer to dispense with the delivery of that article, altogether —

Please inform me of your decision on the subject. —

Respectfully, Yr. Ob. Servt.
Signed / Geo: Gibson C.G.S.

Peter Garnall
&
James Pemberton Esqrs.
Army Contractors
Wheeling.

(Copy)

Office of the Com. Genl. of Subsis.ce

Washington 7th October 1822

Sir,

I have charged Lieut. Jacob Brown U.S.A. at St. Louis, with supplying St. Peters with fresh beef: you are therefore instructed to furnish him with annual estimates of the probable quantity required, and will keep him apprised of all circumstances connected with this branch of the commissariat, which it is necessary, he should be made acquainted with. — It is contemplated to contract for provisions deliverable annually at your Post — Should the contractor fail in whole, or in part, either from inability to comply, or, from the condemnation of provisions tendered, it will be your duty to report all the circumstances without the least delay to Lieut. Brown at St. Louis, who is instructed to supply the deficiency in such cases. — If, however, it should happen, (which is extremely improbable) that provisions can be purchased at St. Peters, you will

in that event, purchase, if the prices asked are not too exorbitant, and notify Lieut. Brown of the fact.

I wish, particularly to impress upon your mind, the absolute necessity, of immediately informing Lieut. Brown, if the contractor fails, in the delivery of any article, which will cause a deficiency at the Post.

You will acknowledge the receipt of this letter.

Respectfully, Yr. Obt. Servt.
Signed/ Geo. Gibson C.G.S.

Lt. N. Clark
a.D.S.
St. Peters.

Office of the Com. Gen. of Subs.

Sir,

Washington 17th April 1823.

Please furnish to this office as early as practicable, an estimate of the probable quantity of provisions you will require at St. Peters, from 1 June 1824 to the 31st May 1825, and also, a statement of the probable amount you will have on hand 31st May 1824. — This statement and estimate is required to enable this department to insert an early advertisement in the papers. —

Respectfully

Yr. Obt. Servt.

A. Hook Esq.

Actg Com. Gen. of Subs.

Capt. N. Clark

a.c.s.

St. Peters

address as usual

L. N. Clark
a. C. S.
St. Peters

Office of the Com. Gen. of Subsistence
Washington 3d June 1853

Sir

Your return for January 1853 has been examined differing from your account 30 pounds of salt beef error in substituting quantity issued making on hand 85 lbs 8½ oz in place of 85. 53. 12/16 – There is also an error in your Abstract of issues to troops, return No 14 – 223 Men 11 Women 8 days is extended 1952 rations should be 1872 – You can make the corrections on your next return after you receive this

Respectfully
Your Obt Servt
G Abert
Acting Com Gen
of Sub

Lieut. N. Clark
A C S
St Peters
Via St Louis

address the office as heretofore

Office of the Com Gen of Subsis
Washington 18th June 1823

Sir

Your returns for February March and April 1823 have been examined and found correct, with the exception of an error in converting rations into bulk, issues to Hospital in April, of One gill of whiskey making on hand 9 gal 23 gills in place of 9. 24.

Respectfully

Your Ob Servt

Geo Gibson Com G S

Lieut M Clark
a C S
St Peters
via St Louis

Office of the Com. Gen. of Subsistence
Washington 19th July 1823

Sir.

Your return for May has been examined differing from your account only One pound of Candles, in converting 322 rations into beef issued to Hospital. is 5 #/lb in place of 4 #/lb.

respectfully
your Ob Serv
Geo Gibson C S

Lt. A. Clark
A C S
St. Peters

Office of the Com. Gen. of Sub.
Washington August 30. 1823.

Sir,

The accompanying form of a consolidated abstract of sales to officers will in future be used.

Respectfully,
Your most ob. St.
S. A. Hoakley
Acting Com. Gen. of Sub.

Lt Nathan Clarke.
A.C.S.
St Peters.

address as usual.

Office of the Comy. Gen of Sub.
Washington 5th Augt 1823.

(Copy)

Sir,

I am in the receipt of yours of 12th June covering an estimate of provisions required for the year commencing 1 June 1824. From a letter addressed by Col. Snelling to the Quarter Mr. Genl. dated the 2nd of April I learn that a large quantity of wheat would be raised this Summer. The Asst. Com. of Sub. at St Louis has been instructed to forward Sickles and a pair of Mill Stones to St Peters. If any flour is manufactured from the wheat raised be pleased to let me know as early as practicable that I may deduct the quantity manufactured at the post from the quantity advertised to be contracted for.

Respectfully,
Your most ob. St.
(Signed) Geo Gibson C.G.S.

A. N. Clark
A.C.S.
St. Peters.

a true copy — L. B. Hoak
Asst

Office of the Com. Gen. of Subsistence
Washington 5th August 1823

Sir

I am in the receipt of yours of the 12 June covering an estimate of provisions required for the year commencing 1 June 1824. From a letter addressed by Colonel Snelling to the Quarter Master General dated the 2d April I learn that a large quantity of wheat would be raised this summer. The assistant Com. of Subs at St Louis has been instructed to forward sickles & repair of Mill stones to Genl Peters

If any flour is manufactured from the wheat raised, be pleased to let me know as early as practicable that I may deduct the quantity manufactured at the Post from the quantity advertised to be contracted for.

Respectfully
Your mo. obt. Sert

Geo Gibson C G S

Lieut. N. Clark
A.D.C.
Genl Peters

Office of the Com. Gen. of Sub.
Washington 9th. August 1823.

(Copy)

Sir,

Your return for June has been received - From the quantity of whiskey issued monthly, I perceive there will be in all probability a deficiency of that article prior to the delivery under the next contract.

I have this day instructed Lieut Brown to purchase and forward you from 1000 to 1500 Gallons of good proof whiskey.

Respectfully,

Your most ob. St.

(Signed) Geo. Gibson C.G.

Lt R. Clark
A.C.S.
St Peters.

a true copy
[illegible]
[illegible]

Office of the Com Gen of Subs
Washington 9 August 1823

Sir

Your Return for June has been received — From the quantity of whisky issued monthly I perceive there will in all probability be a deficiency in that article prior to the delivery under the next contract,

I have this day instructed Lieut Brown to purchase and forward you from 1000 to 1500 Gallons of proof proof whisky.

Respectfully
Yours &c

Geo Gibson Lt Gen

Lieut. N. Clark
A C S
Pensacola

Office of the Sec. of Subsistence
Washington 24 October 1823

Sir

I am in the receipt of yours of the 31 August, accompanied by your Monthly Return.

The sale of the bags is approved of.

Respectfully
Yr Mo Obt Sr
Geo Gibson Cs

Sam W. Clark
A.C.S
Sr Pettus

Office of the Com Gen of Subsist.
Washington 1st October 1823

Sir

Your return for July has been examined differing from you only ten pounds of flour and 7 gills of salt – In converting 318 rations of flour issued to Hospital into bread is 1 bbl 161 lb in place of 1 bbl 151 lb and in converting 92 rations of salt issued to Indians into brine is 1 pt 7 gills in place of 1 quart – You can make the corrections in your next return after you receive this

Respectfully
Your obt. Servt
Gd Gibson C G S

Lieut. A. Clark
A C S
St. Peters
via St. Louis

Office of the Com. Gen. of Subsistence
U. States Washington 7th Nov 1823

Sir

Your Return for August has been examined and found correct.

Respectfully
Your Ob Servt
Geo Gibson C.G.S.

Lieut. Nathan Clark
A C S
St. Peters
via St. Louis

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Lt. M. Clark
A.C.S.
St Peters via St Louis

Office of the Com. Gen. of Subs.
Washington 19 January 1824

Sir

I am in the receipt of yours of the 3d October.
The mode suggested by Colonel Snelling of fixing the price to be paid the Contractors for the flour furnished by them, is deemed equitable and just. You will accordingly pay for the flour at $3 33/100 per barrel - Payment to be made for the same as designated in article 72 paragraph 32 of the General Regulations - The Treasurer of the U.S. will remit you twelve hundred dollars on account of patronage.

Respectfully yr
Obt. Svt.
Geo Gibson C.G.S.

Lieut. N. Clark
A C S
Sackets Harbor

Chief

P. S. Since writing the foregoing I have altered my requisition to one thousand in lieu of twelve hundred dollars. The Treasurer will accordingly remit upon one thousand dollars and I have this day ordered Lt Bailey Acting Ass't at Prairie du Chien to remit you $400 (four hundred dollars) in due time you will inform me if this sum is received

Office of the Sec. of War

Washington 20 January 1845

Sir

I transmit for your information the copy of a letter this day addressed to Silas Craig Contractor for St Peters.

Respectfully

Yr. ob. Sert

Geo Gibson C. G. S.

Lieut. Clark

A C S

St Peters

(see over)

Office of the Com General of Subs
Washington 21 January 1824

Sir,

The troops at St. Peters will furnish a large quantity of flour made at the post and applicable to their subsistence during the approaching Contract. In consequence your delivery of flour under your Contract for St. Peters in June next is reduced to three hundred barrels.

Please acknowledge the receipt of this letter

Respectfully
Your Ob Servt
signed Geo Gibson C.G.S

Silas Craig Esq
Army Contractor

Office of the Com. Gen. of Subsistence
Washington 8th March 1824

Sir

Your returns for September and October 1823 have been examined and are found correct, with the exception of a small error of 37½ pounds of flour in converting 300 rations into beef, issued to Hospital in September is 1 barrel 141½ pounds in place of 1 barrel 104 pounds. You can make the correction in your next return after you receive this.

Respectfully
Yr Mo Ob Servt
Gro Gibson C G S

Lieutenant A Clark
A C S
St Peters
via St Louis

Office of the Com. Gen. of Subsistence
Washington 6 March 1848

Sir

Enclosed is a copy of Mr Silas Craig's contract for St. Peters. Your attention is particularly called to the clause relative to the Inspection of the provisions and the appointment of Inspectors. Your personal attention to the Inspection is required. You will observe that no candles or soap has been contracted for. Those articles at a calculated you will manufacture at your post. The contractor is bound to deliver salt by measurement.

Respectfully
Yr. Obt. Svt.
Geo Gibson C.G.S.

Lieut. N. Clark
U.S.
St. Peters

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Office of the Com. Gen. of Subsistence
Washington 21 March 1844

Sir

I am in receipt of yours of the 30 Nov

You will perceive by the copy of Silas Craig's contract that I have contracted for a greater quantity of provisions than you have ~~contracted~~ estimated for. This will, I presume, enable you to meet the requisitions of the Indian Agent. Should he however require from you ~~a greater~~ a quantity of any one article, which may produce a deficiency of that article within the year, you will not in that case comply with the agent's requisition as the troops must certainly be supplied in preference to the Indian department

In future previous to making up your

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Capt Clarke

annual estimate of provisions request an estimate from the agent and include the required quantity in your estimate

Respectfully
Yr. Mt. Ob. Sr.
Geo Abbott 655

Lieut W. Clark
A C S
J Peters

Copy

Off. Com. Gen. of Sub.
Washington March 23. 1824.

Sir,

Below you will find the amount charged on the books of this office against the garrison at Fort St Anthony for certain articles purchased at St Louis by Lt Jacob Brown A. C. S. in the 3d Quarter of 1823. and forwarded for the use of the troops at that post which you will deduct from the payments to be made for flour raised and turned over to you for issue viz

1 pair Burr Mill Stones		$ 250.11
337 lbs. plaister of paris	@	20.22
3 Doz Sickles	$9.	18.00
		$288.33

Respectfully
Yr. mo. ob. St.
(signed) Geo. Gibson C.G.S.

Mr. Nathan Clark
Ab. S. Ft St Anthony

a true Copy N Clark

Copy

Off. Com. Genl. of Subsistence
Washington March 20. 1824

Sir,

I am in the receipt of yours of 30 Nov. You will perceive by the Copy of Silas Craig's contract that I have contracted for a greater quantity of provisions than you have estimated for, this will I presume enable you to meet the requisitions of the Indian agent, should he however require from you a quantity of any one article which may produce a deficiency of that article within the year, you will not in that case comply with the agent's requisition as the troops must certainly be supplied in preference to the Indian Department. In future previous to making up your annual estimate of provisions request an estimate from the agent and include the required quantity in your estimate.

Respectfully
Your ob. St.

(signed) Geo. Gibson C.G.S.

A true copy
E. S. Hook

A. N. Clark,
A. C. S. St. Peters.

Geo. N. Clark

Ass

C. F. & H. B. Anthony

S. Letis

Copy

Adjt. Gls. Office,
Washington April 16. 1824.

Order
No. 24.

The President of the United States directs that the following regulation be substituted for paragraphs 40 & 41, article 72, General Regulations.

All Assistant Commissaries of Subsistence including those who perform the duty of Quarter Master in addition to their duties in the Commissariat, at posts where there are not more than two Companies shall be subject to Company & garrison duty at the posts where they are stationed.

Communicated by order of
Maj. Gl Brown
Signed / Chs. J. Nourse
Actg Adjt Genl.

Commissary Genl
Subsistence

Off. of the Com Genl of Sub.
Washington April 17. 1834.

Sir,

Enclosed is the copy of a General Order communicated for your government.

Respectfully,
Your mo. ob. St.
Geo Gibson C G S

Lt. Nathan Clark
A. C. S.
A. Peters.

Office of the Com. Gen. of Subsistence
Washington 12th Mar 1824

Sir,

Your return for the Month of November 1823 has been examined and found correct

respectfully
Yr Mot Obt Servt
Geo Gibson C S

Lt. A Clarke
a C. S
St. Peters
via St. Louis

Office of the Com. Gen. of Subsistence
Washington 1st May 1824

Sir

Your Returns for December and January have been examined and found correct, with the exception of an error in your December return of ten quarts of beans, in converting rations into back issues to troops 1186 rations is 29 bus 21 qts in place of 29 bus 11 qts. You can make the correction in your next return after you receive this.

Very Respectfully
Your Ob. Serv.
Geo Gibson C.G.S.

Lieut. A. Clark
A. C. S.
St. Peters

Copy

Office Con Genl of Subsistence
Washington May 22. 1824.

Sir

Your return for February has been examined and found correct.

Respy
Your obt Svt

(Signed) J. Allen Asst
Actg C.G.S.

W. M. Clark
A.C.S.

A Peter

Sir

Copy

Off. of Comy Genl of Sub.
Washington May. 1. 1824.

Sir,

Your returns for Dec'r and Jany have been examined and found correct with the exception of an error in your Dec'r return of ten quarts of beans in converting rations into bulk issues to Troops, — 1186 3 rations is 29 bs 21 ozs in place of 29. 11 — you can make the correction of it in your next return after you receive this.

Respectfully
Your mo. Ob. St
(Signed) Geo Gibson Comy Gen.

Lt N. Clark
A. C. S
St Peters

Office of the Com. Gen. of Subsistence
Washington 22nd May 1824

Sir

Your return for February has been examined and found correct.

Respectfully
Your obt. Servt
Abner Kerr
Actg Com. Gen. of Subs.

Lieut. A. Clark
A. C. S.
Fort Atkins
Via St. Louis

Office of the Com. Gen. of Subsistence
Washington 14th June 1824

Sir,

Your returns for March and April have been examined, and found correct.

respectfully
your obt servt
G. M. Horkan
Actg Asst Com Genl

address the office as usual

Lieutenant A. Clark
a. c. s
Ft Peters
via Ft Louis

Office of the Com. Gen. of Subs.
Washington 16 June 1824

Sir

I am in the receipt of yours of the 8 of May covering Mr Rolette's proposals to furnish beans at St Peters for 1825. These proposals will be accepted provided the Commanding officer at St Peters has confidence in Rolette's disposition & ability to comply with his proposals.

My respects
Wm Ma. ab St.
J. H. Hook Esq

The ass't Com. of Subs
St Peters

Acting Com. Gen. of Subs

Office of the Com. Gen. of Subs.
Washington 24th June 1824

Sir

Your accounts for the 1st quarter of the year have been examined, found correct, & transmitted to the office of the 3rd Auditor for adjustment —

Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt
T. H. Cloakey
Acting Com. Gen. Subs.

Lieut Nathan Clark
A. C. S.
Fort St. Anthony
via St. Louis

Address the office of
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