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FROM

THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY,

TRANSMITTING

Estimates of expenditures of National Board of Health from January 1, 1880, to June 30, 1881.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
February 6, 1880.

SIR: In accordance with the request of the president of the National Board of Health, I have the honor to transmit herewith the estimates of the expenditures of the board covering the period from January 1, 1880, to June 30, 1881.

Very respectfully,

JOHN SHERMAN, *Secretary.*

Hon. WM. A. WHEELER,
President of the Senate.

NATIONAL BOARD OF HEALTH,
Washington, D. C., February 4, 1880.

SIR: By direction of the executive committee of the National Board of Health I have the honor to transmit herewith to you, with the request that the same may be properly forwarded to Congress, an estimate of expenditures to be made by the National Board of Health from January 1, 1880, to June 30, 1881.

Deducting from these estimates the amount of funds on hand on the 1st of January, 1880, it will be seen that the amount which is actually asked for to provide for these estimates is \$110,312.42.

This estimate is in excess of that furnished in the annual report of the board for 1879, owing to the fact that it has been found that the establishment of the three maritime quarantine stations contemplated by the board will cost more than was supposed at the time the annual report of the Board was drawn, and also to the fact that an unforeseen emergency, namely, the occurrence of small-pox in the District of Columbia, has caused an expenditure of \$7,000 not anticipated at the date of the report.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

J. L. CABELL,
President National Board of Health.

Hon. JOHN SHERMAN,
Secretary of the Treasury, Washington, D. C.

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Estimate of expenditures to be made by the National Board of Health from January 1, 1880, to June 30, 1880.

For the establishment of three complete quarantine stations, including the necessary wharves, hospital buildings, accommodations for passengers and crew not sick, disinfecting chambers, warehouses, lighters, boats, and other apparatus, one of said stations to be at the mouth of the Chesapeake Bay, one on the South Atlantic coast, and one at Ship Island, Mississippi	\$110,000 00
For improvement of quarantine station at Charleston, S. C., by building a proper wharf in connection with warehouse for the unloading of infected vessels	12,000 00
For aid to other quarantine stations on the South Atlantic and Gulf coast, including Pensacola, Mobile, and New Orleans, to enable them to promptly and properly treat a ship infected with yellow fever	38,000 00
For establishing inspection stations on the Mississippi River at New Orleans, Vicksburg, Memphis, and Cairo, including the purchase of three steam launches and one police boat	35,000 00
For maintenance of quarantine and inspection stations under the immediate control of the board, viz: for three maritime quarantine stations as above, and for four inspecting stations on the Mississippi River as above, including salaries of inspecting officers, wages and food for boatmen, cooks, nurses, and laborers, fuel for steamboats, stationery, &c.	14,980 00
For special investigations and sanitary surveys, including those reported as in progress in the annual report of the National Board of Health, No. 1 to No. 15	21,500 00
For printing and binding 10,000 copies of the report of medical experts upon the yellow-fever epidemic of 1878, in accordance with estimates from the Government Printing Office	25,000 00
For printing report of the board for the year ending December 31, 1879, with appendices	8,000 00
For salaries and traveling expenses of inspectors of the National Board of Health	10,000 00
For salaries and traveling expenses of members of the board	5,000 00
For rent, light, and fuel	800 00
For clerks, messengers, and watchmen, as follows, viz:	
For one chief clerk	\$1,000 00
For two fourth-class clerks	1,800 00
For two third-class clerks	1,600 00
For two second-class clerks	1,400 00
For three first-class clerks	1,800 00
For two copyists	900 00
For three messengers	1,080 00
For temporary employés	200 00
For pay of secretary, act July 1, 1879	600 00
For pay of disbursing agent, act July 1, 1879.	150 00
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	10,530 00
For stationery	1,500 00
For postage and telegrams	1,000 00
For printing of the Bulletin	2,500 00
For other printing, blank forms, postal cards, for collecting statistics, record-books, &c.	1,500 00
For contingent and miscellaneous expenses	2,000 00
For expenses of preventing small-pox epidemic in the District of Columbia.	7,000 00
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Total	306,310 00

Estimates of expenditures to be made by the National Board of Health from July 1, 1880, to June 30, 1881.

For maintenance of quarantine and inspection stations under the immediate control of the board, viz: For three maritime quarantine stations and for four inspecting stations on the Mississippi River, including salaries of inspecting officers, wages, and food of boatmen, cooks, nurses, and laborers, and repairs and fuel for steam-tugs and launches for six months	\$47,340 00
For aid to local quarantine stations	50,000 00

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For special investigations and sanitary surveys, in accordance with the joint recommendation of the National Academy of Science and the National Board of Health, as contained in the annual report of the board.	\$30,000 00
For salaries and necessary traveling expenses of inspectors of the National Board of Health	20,000 00
For salaries and necessary traveling expenses of the National Board of Health	10,000 00
For rent, gas, and fuel of office	1,700 00
For clerks, messengers, and watchmen at office as follows, viz :	
For one chief clerk	\$2,000 00
For three clerks of class 4	5,400 00
For two clerks of class 3	3,200 00
For two clerks of class 2	2,800 00
For three clerks of class 1	3,600 00
For two copyists	1,800 00
For three messengers	2,160 00
For temporary employes	200 00
For pay of secretary, act of July 1, 1879	1,200 00
For pay of disbursing agent, act of July 1, 1879	300 00
	22,660 00
For stationery, postage, telegrams, &c	5,300 00
For printing Bulletin	5,000 00
For other printing and binding, blank forms, record-books, &c	3,000 00
For contingent and miscellaneous expenses	5,000 00
	200,000 00
Amount of appropriation for the National Board of Health:	
Act of Congress approved March 3, 1879	\$50,000 00
Act of Congress approved July 1, 1879	500,000 00
	550,000 00
Total	154,002 42
Total amount to credit of National Board of Health, January 1, 1880	
Amount of estimates for six months from January 1 to June 30, 1880	\$306,310 00
Amount of estimates for twelve months from July 1, 1880, to June 30, 1881	200,000 00
Amount which should be appropriated for the use of the National Board of Health, in addition to the balance of funds which it has on hand, in order to provide for the above estimates	110,312 42
	506,310 00
	506,310 00
Estimated amount which should be appropriated, to be held as a special fund to be expended only for preventing the spread of yellow fever, small-pox, cholera, or other disease liable to become epidemic, and for aiding State and local authorities to provide against the spread of such diseases within their limits	
	\$100,000 00

J. L. CABELL,
President National Board of Health.

T. J. TURNER,
Secretary National Board of Health.