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## REPORT.

*To His Excellency The Governor:*

I have the honor to submit, as required by law, a report of the general business of this department, including an itemized statement of receipts and expenditures; also an account of all Statutes and Nevada Reports distributed under the provisions of law, and the number of each remaining on hand December thirty-first, eighteen hundred and seventy six.

In the distribution of the Statutes and Journals of eighteen hundred and seventy-five, I have been compelled to send out a less number than was authorized by the law, for the reason that a full distribution as contemplated by the law would have left on hand but a very limited number to supply the demand made by the Legislature and by the addition of officers throughout the State who require, and who by law are entitled to them, and to replace those which will be unavoidably destroyed by fire and other causes.

As will be seen by "Statement showing the distribution of Statutes," after a more careful and economical distribution of Statutes of eighteen hundred and seventy-five than was contemplated by the law, we have only one hundred and thirty-two copies left on hand—a very small number when we consider that at least one copy for the use of each member of the Legislature should be permanently retained. Great inconvenience would arise from an insufficient supply to officers who under the law are required to have them, and to the Legislature. The remedy lies in increasing the number to be supplied to the State. The business of this department has been steadily increasing ever since the formation of the State Government. Much of the labor devolving on the department is of such a character that it cannot properly appear in this report.

The material increase of wealth and population, and the consequent increase of outlay and expenditure, have very largely increased the labor upon the Boards of Examiners and Prison Commissioners.

The executive business, which must all be attested and recorded in this department, has been proportionately increased, while the correspondence with the various States and departments of the General Government has kept pace with the enlarged business of every other department of the State Government.

I therefore find, with the force at my command, and the limited

amount of money appropriated for extra clerk hire, great difficulty and hard and confining labor to keep the records of the department up in proper shape.

Your attention is called to the following statements.

Very respectfully,

J. D. MINOR,  
Secretary of State.

REPORT

TO THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

I have the honor to report as required by law a report of the general business of the department including an itemized statement of receipts and expenditures, also an account of all statutes and laws enacted under the provisions of law and the number of each remaining on hand December thirty-first eighteen hundred and seventy six.

In the distribution of the Statutes and Journals of eighteen hundred and seventy five I have been compelled to send out a less number than was authorized by the law for the reason that a full distribution as contemplated by the law would have cost me more than a very limited number to apply the demand made by the Legislature and by the public of officers throughout the State who require and who by law are entitled to them and to replace those which will be necessarily destroyed by fire and other causes.

It will be seen by the statement showing the distribution of statutes after a more careful and economical distribution of a number of eighteen hundred and seventy five that was contemplated by the law, we have sent out one hundred and thirty-two copies less in hand a very small number when we consider that at least one copy for the use of each member of the Legislature should be permanently retained. Great inconveniences would arise from an insufficient supply of officers who must the law be required to have them, and to the Legislature. The remedy for increasing the number to be applied to the State. The business of the department has been steadily increasing ever since the foundation of the State Government. Much of the labor devoting on the department is of such a character that it cannot properly appear in this report.

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The executive business which must all be attended and recorded in this department has been proportionately increased, while the correspondence with the various States and departments of the general Government has kept pace with the enlarged business of every other department of the State Government.

I therefore beg with the force at my command, and the limited

## STATEMENT

Showing the number of Statutes on hand January 1st, 1875, the number distributed, the number sold, and the number remaining on hand December 31st, 1876.

<i>Laws of Nevada Territory, 1861.</i>	
Number on hand January 1st, 1875.....	5
Delivered to Governor.....	1
On hand January 1st, 1877.....	4
<i>Laws of Nevada Territory, 1862.</i>	
Number on hand January 1st, 1875.....	2
Number on hand January 1st, 1877.....	2
<i>Laws of Nevada Territory, 1864.</i>	
Number on hand January 1st, 1875.....	4
Delivered to Judge Beatty.....	1
Delivered to Governor.....	1
Number on hand January 1st, 1877.....	2
<i>Statutes of Nevada, 1864-5.</i>	
Number on hand January 1st, 1875.....	55
Delivered to Judge Beatty.....	1
Delivered to Storey County officers.....	4
Number on hand January 1st, 1877.....	50
<i>Statutes of Nevada, 1866.</i>	
Number on hand January 1st, 1875.....	130
Delivered to Judge Beatty.....	1
Delivered to Governor.....	1
Delivered to Storey County officers.....	4
Number on hand January 1st, 1877.....	124
<i>Statutes of Nevada, 1867.</i>	
Number on hand January 1st, 1875.....	66
Delivered to Judge Beatty.....	1
Delivered to Storey County officers.....	4
Exchanged for State Library.....	1
Number on hand January 1st, 1877.....	60

<i>Statutes of Nevada, 1869.</i>		
Number on hand January 1st, 1875.....		82
Delivered to Judge Beatty.....	1	
Exchanged for Library.....	1	
Delivered to Governor.....	1	
Delivered to Storey County officers.....	4	
On hand January 1st, 1877.....		75
<i>Statutes of Nevada, 1871.</i>		
Number on hand January 1st, 1875.....		91
Delivered to Judge Beatty.....	1	
Delivered to Governor.....	1	
Delivered to Storey County officers.....	4	
Number on hand January 1st, 1877.....		85
<i>Statutes of Nevada, 1873.</i>		
Number on hand January 1st, 1875.....		137
Delivered to Judge Beatty.....	1	
Delivered to Governor.....	1	
Delivered to Storey County officers.....	4	
On hand January 1st, 1877.....		131
<i>Statutes of Nevada, 1875.</i>		
Number of copies received.....		600
Number distributed as required by law.....		468
Number on hand January 1st, 1877.....		132
<i>Compiled Laws.</i>		
Number on hand January 1st, 1875—		
Volume 1.....		164
Volume 2.....		164
Distributed, Volume 1.....	9	
Distributed, Volume 2.....	9	
Sold, Volume 1.....	26	
Sold, Volume 2.....	26	
On hand January 1st, 1877—		
Volume 1.....		129
Volume 2.....		129
Total.....		258

## STATEMENT

Showing the number of Nevada Reports on hand January 1st, 1875, the number sold, the number distributed, and the number on hand January 1st, 1877.

<i>Nevada Reports, Volume 1.</i>	
On hand January 1st, 1875.....	105
Delivered to Lieutenant Governor.....	1
Delivered to Storey County officers, replacing others destroyed by fire.....	6
Number sold.....	8
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On hand January 1st, 1877.....	90
<i>Nevada Reports, Volume 2.</i>	
Number on hand January 1st, 1875.....	84
Delivered to State Library.....	1
Delivered to Lieutenant Governor.....	1
Delivered to Storey County officers.....	6
Exchanged for Library.....	1
Sold.....	24
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Number on hand January 1st, 1877.....	51
<i>Nevada Reports, Volume 3.</i>	
Number on hand January 1st, 1875.....	92
Delivered to State Library.....	1
Delivered to Lieutenant Governor.....	1
Delivered to Storey County officers.....	6
Sold.....	21
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On hand January 1st, 1877.....	63
<i>Nevada Reports, Volume 4.</i>	
Number on hand January 1st, 1875.....	234
Delivered to Lieutenant Governor.....	1
Delivered to State Library.....	1
Delivered to Storey County officers.....	6
Sold.....	34
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On hand January 1st, 1877.....	192

<i>Nevada Reports, Volume 5.</i>	
On hand January 1st, 1875.....	250
Delivered to Judge Earle.....	1
Delivered to Lieutenant Governor.....	1
Delivered to Governor.....	1
Delivered to Storey County.....	6
Sold.....	26
On hand January 1st, 1877.....	215
<i>Nevada Reports, Volume 6.</i>	
Number on hand January 1st, 1875.....	258
Delivered to Lieutenant Governor.....	1
Delivered to Storey County.....	6
Sold.....	35
On hand January 1st, 1877.....	216
<i>Nevada Reports, Volume 7.</i>	
Number on hand January 1st, 1875.....	253
Delivered to Lieutenant Governor.....	1
Delivered to Storey County.....	6
Sold.....	25
Number on hand January 1st, 1877.....	221
<i>Nevada Reports, Volume 8.</i>	
Number on hand January 1st, 1875.....	725
Delivered to State Library.....	1
Delivered to Judge Beatty.....	1
Delivered to Lieutenant Governor.....	1
Delivered to Storey County.....	6
Sold.....	63
Number on hand January 1st, 1877.....	653
<i>Nevada Reports, Volume 9.</i>	
Received in January and February, 1875.....	1,000
Distributed as required by law.....	214
Sold.....	116
Number on hand January 1st, 1877.....	670
<i>Nevada Reports, Volume 10.</i>	
Purchased in June, 1876.....	600
Distributed as required by law.....	214
Number on hand January 1st, 1877.....	386

## STATEMENT

*Showing receipts from Commissions issued to Notaries Public, Commissioners of Deeds, and other officers.*

First quarter, 1875.....	\$435 00	
Second quarter, 1875.....	320 00	
Third quarter, 1875.....	170 00	
Fourth quarter, 1875.....	240 00	
First quarter, 1876.....	142 25	
Second quarter, 1876.....	140 00	
Third quarter, 1876.....	175 00	
Fourth quarter, 1876.....	160 00	
Total.....		\$1,782 25

## STATEMENT

*Showing receipts from certificates of incorporation recorded.*

First quarter, 1875.....	\$154 60	
Second quarter, 1875.....	174 60	
Third quarter, 1875.....	59 85	
Fourth quarter, 1875.....	51 45	
First quarter, 1876.....	57 40	
Second quarter, 1876.....	59 70	
Third quarter, 1876.....	54 30	
Fourth quarter, 1876.....	93 40	
Total.....		\$705 30

## STATEMENT

*Showing receipts from certificates and impressions of seal.*

First quarter, 1875.....	\$50 00	
Second quarter, 1875.....	5 00	
Third quarter, 1875.....	10 00	
Fourth quarter, 1875.....	20 00	
First quarter, 1876.....	10 00	
Second quarter, 1876.....	20 00	
Third quarter, 1876.....	35 00	
Fourth quarter, 1876.....	15 00	
Total.....		\$165 00

## STATEMENT

*Showing receipts from copies of laws, etc.*

First quarter, 1875.....	\$254 20	
Second quarter, 1875 .....	231 70	
Third quarter, 1875.....	23 35	
Fourth quarter, 1875.....	7 40	
First quarter, 1876.....	7 40	
Third quarter, 1876.....	7 40	
Fourth quarter, 1876.....	50 80	
Total.....		\$585 25

## STATEMENT

*Showing receipts from the sale of Nevada Reports.*

First quarter, 1875.....	\$112 50	
Second quarter, 1875.....	469 00	
Third quarter, 1875.....	16 50	
Fourth quarter, 1875.....	90 00	
First quarter, 1876.....	254 00	
Fourth quarter, 1876.....	554 00	
Total.....		\$1,496 00

*Receipts from sale of Compiled Laws.*

Second quarter, 1875.....	\$208 00	
Fourth quarter, 1875.....	36 00	
Second quarter, 1876.....	10 00	
Fourth quarter, 1876.....	90 00	
Total.....		\$344 00

*Receipts from other sources.*

Filing and recording bond, 1875.....	\$5 00	
Filing and recording trademark, 1875.....	20 00	
Filing and recording trademark, 1876.....	20 00	
Total.....		\$45 00
Total from all sources.....		\$5,122 80

## STATEMENT

*Showing the expenditure of appropriations made for the State Department for the eleventh and twelfth fiscal years.*

Appropriation to procure Great Seal.....		\$200 00
Expenses to San Francisco to procure Seal and to arrange for sale of Nevada Reports...	\$100 00	
Cost of Seal.....	67 50	
Total .....		\$167 50
Balance unexpended.....		\$32 50
Appropriation to insure Library and Capitol building and furniture.....		\$3,000 00
Expended for insurance.....	\$2,601 00	
Total .....		\$2,601 00
Balance unexpended.....		\$299 00
Appropriation for copying and indexing Journals, seventh session.....		\$790 00
Copying Senate Journal for State Printer.....	\$270 00	
Copying Assembly Journal for State Printer...	270 00	
Indexing Assembly Journal.....	125 00	
Indexing Senate Journal.....	125 00	
Total .....		\$790 00
Appropriation for copying laws and resolutions..		\$750 00
For copying laws and resolutions.....	\$500 25	
Indexing and marginal notes to laws and res- olutions.....	209 50	
Total .....		\$709 75
Balance unexpended.....		\$40 25

Appropriation for extra clerk hire.....		\$2,000 00
Extra clerk hire, April, 1875.....	\$491 95	
Extra clerk hire, May, 1875.....	76 90	
Extra clerk hire, June, 1875.....	201 25	
Extra clerk hire, July, 1875.....	167 00	
Extra clerk hire, August, 1875.....	128 00	
Extra clerk hire, September, 1875.....	80 00	
Extra clerk hire, October, 1875.....	22 10	
Extra clerk hire, November, 1875.....	90 40	
Extra clerk hire, December, 1875.....	25 00	
Extra clerk hire, January, 1876.....	148 50	
Extra clerk hire, February, 1876.....	48 40	
Extra clerk hire, April, 1876.....	30 00	
Extra clerk hire, May, 1876.....	75 00	
Extra clerk hire, June, 1876.....	55 00	
Extra clerk hire, July, 1876.....	40 00	
Extra clerk hire, August, 1876.....	40 00	
Extra clerk hire, September, 1876.....	55 00	
Extra clerk hire, October, 1876.....	195 00	
Extra clerk hire, November, 1876.....	30 00	
Total.....		\$1,999 50
Balance unexpended.....		50
Appropriated to purchase Nevada Reports.....		\$3,600 00
For purchase of 600 copies volume 10 Nevada Reports.....	\$1,200 00	
Total.....		\$1,200 00
Balance unexpended.....		\$2,400 00
Appropriated for transportation of books and documents.....		\$550 00
Freight on books from Ogden.....	\$8 50	
Freight on Nevada Reports from San Francisco.....	11 84	
Total.....		\$20 34
Balance unexpended.....		\$529 66

Appropriated for fuel, lights, etc., and preparing legislative halls.....		\$1,500 00
For wood, and cutting and storing same.....	\$1,100 00	
Drayage, etc., on furniture of halls.....	26 00	
Cabinet repairs.....	169 25	
Repairing and cleaning halls.....	40 00	
Repairing furnaces.....	32 50	
Total .....		\$1,367 75
Balance unexpended .....		\$132 25

Land patents recorded in two years, ending Dec. 31, 1876..... 253  
 Pardons recorded in two years, ending Dec. 31, 1876..... 49

J. D. Minor, being duly sworn, deposes and says, the foregoing is a full, true, and correct statement of the general business of the office of Secretary of State, and of the receipts and expenditures of the same for the two years ending December 31st, 1876, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

J. D. MINOR.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 16th day of January, 1877.



CHARLES MARTIN,  
 Notary Public, Ormsby County, Nevada.