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FROM

THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY,

SUBMITTING,

In compliance with a resolution of the Senate of March 19, 1872, estimates of appropriations necessary for the next fiscal year to carry out the recommendations of the report of Captain Faunce, and render operative and effective the life-saving stations on the coasts of New Jersey and Long Island.

MAY 15, 1872.—Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
 Washington, D. C., May 15, 1872.

SIR: In compliance with the Senate resolution of 19th March last, of the following tenor: "*Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Treasury be requested to inform the Senate what appropriation will be necessary for the next fiscal year to carry out the recommendations of the report of Captain Faunce, and render operative and effective the life-saving stations on the coasts of New Jersey and Long Island," I have the honor to submit the following estimate of the annual expense of conducting the life-saving service in accordance with the captain's recommendations, viz:

LONG ISLAND COAST.

At stations Nos. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 25, 26, 28, 29, and 30, (new numbers:)

Compensation per annum for keeper.....	\$300
Compensation for crew, seven men, at \$180 each.....	1, 260
Rations for four months for eight men, 968 rations, at 25 cents for ration.....	242
<u>Total expense per station.....</u>	<u>1, 802</u>
<u>Total expense for twenty-six stations.....</u>	<u>\$46, 852</u>

At stations Nos. 21, 24, 27, and 31, (no rations required:)

Compensation per annum for keeper.....	\$300
Compensation for crew, seven men, at \$180 each.....	1, 260
<u>Total expense per station.....</u>	<u>1, 560</u>
<u>Total expense for four stations.....</u>	<u>6, 240</u>

Yearly compensation of two superintendents, at \$1,500 each ..	\$3,000
Estimate for supplies, &c., thirty stations	5,000
Estimate for fuel, thirty stations	2,000
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Total annual expense for Long Island coast	63,092
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NEW JERSEY COAST.

At stations Nos. 1, 2, 3, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, and 38:

Compensation per annum for keeper	\$300
Compensation for crew, seven men, at \$180 each	1,260
Rations for four months for eight men, 968 rations, at 25 cents per ration	242
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Total expense per station	1,802
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Total expense for thirty-three stations

\$59,466

At stations Nos. 4, 5, 6, 9, 27, 39, and 40, (no rations required):

Compensation per annum for keeper	\$300
Compensation for crew, seven men, at \$180 each	1,260
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Total expense per station	1,560
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Total expense for seven stations

10,920

Yearly compensation of two superintendents, at \$1,500 each ..	3,000
Estimate for supplies, &c., forty stations	5,000
Estimate for fuel, forty stations	2,500
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Total annual expense for New Jersey coast

80,886

Total annual expense for Long Island coast

63,092

Total annual expense for New Jersey coast

80,886

Total annual expense for both coasts

143,978

It is belived, however, that the life-saving service may be made operative and effective upon the coasts named, during the next fiscal year, with the appropriation of the amount estimated for by the Department, and contained in the "bill for sundry civil expenses," &c., as reported to the House of Representatives on the 9th instant.

I am, very respectfully,

GEO. S. BOUTWELL,
Secretary.

Hon. SCHUYLER COLFAX,
President of the United States Senate.