

ESTIMATE FOR UNVEILING STATUE OF PHILIP H.
SHERIDAN.

LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SHERIDAN STATUE
COMMISSION PROPOSING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE STATUE
OF GEN. PHILIP H. SHERIDAN.

JANUARY 22, 1908.—Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to
be printed.

WAR DEPARTMENT,
SHERIDAN STATUE COMMISSION,
Washington, January 21, 1908.

SIR: Congress, by acts approved March 2, 1889, and March 3, 1891, appropriated the sum of \$50,000 for the erection in this city of a statue of the late Gen. Philip H. Sheridan, under the direction of the Secretary of War, the chairman of the Joint Committee on the Library, and the chairman of the Sheridan statue committee of the Society of the Army of the Cumberland.

The Commission authorized by the above-mentioned acts entered into a contract on July 26 last for the construction and erection of the statue in the circle at the intersection of Massachusetts avenue, Twenty-third, and R streets NW.

It is anticipated that the entire work will be completed and the statue will be ready for unveiling by October next, and as there are no funds available for defraying the expense of the unveiling ceremonies or improving the site the Commission has directed me to request that funds for those purposes be provided at the present session of Congress.

It is therefore recommended that the following item be inserted in the sundry civil bill for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1909:

For unveiling the statue of General Philip H. Sheridan and for laying out and improving the grounds around the same, four thousand dollars.

Very respectfully,

WM. H. TAFT,
Secretary of War, Chairman Sheridan Statue Commission.

THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

