

III.—PATENT OFFICE.

In this Branch of the Department, the steady increase in transactions from year to year continues, as can be seen on reference to the following:

COMPARATIVE Statement of the business of the Patent Office from the year 1855 to 1883, inclusive.

Years.	Applica- tions for Patents.	Patents.	Certifi- cates.	Totals.	Caveats Filed.	Transfers of Patents Registered.	Fees Received, including Designs and Trade Marks.	
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1855.....	99	92	92	32	1,911	30
1856.....	120	108	108	52	2,370	50
1857.....	126	115	115	54	2,406	78
1858.....	116	98	98	35	2,105	00
1859.....	142	112	.....	112	.....	26	2,479	75
1860.....	170	150	.....	150	.....	47	2,644	07
1861.....	160	142	.....	142	.....	56	3,012	70
1862.....	180	160	.....	160	.....	72	3,650	90
1863.....	207	156	.....	156	.....	78	3,759	80
1864.....	170	145	.....	145	.....	74	3,267	95
1865.....	184	162	.....	162	.....	79	3,418	78
1866.....	274	263	.....	263	.....	126	6,132	78
1867.....	369	218	.....	218	.....	183	8,110	00
1868.....	570	546	.....	546	.....	337	11,052	00
1869.....	781	588	.....	588	*60	470	14,214	14
1870.....	636	556	.....	556	132	431	14,540	07
1871.....	579	509	.....	509	151	445	14,097	00
1872.....	752	671	.....	671	184	327	19,578	65
1873.....	1,124	1,016	10	1,026	171	547	29,830	14
1874.....	1,376	1,218	27	1,245	200	711	34,301	98
1875.....	1,418	1,268	57	1,323	194	791	34,555	82
1876.....	1,548	1,337	46	1,383	185	761	36,187	63
1877.....	1,445	1,277	75	1,352	168	841	35,388	00
1878.....	1,428	1,172	96	1,268	172	832	33,663	67
1879.....	1,358	1,137	101	1,238	203	728	33,303	60
1880.....	1,601	1,252	156	1,408	227	855	42,141	14
1881.....	1,955	1,510	222	1,732	226	907	52,856	65
1882.....	2,268	1,846	291	2,137	198	955	60,811	19
1883.....	2,641	2,178	291	2,469	243	1,052	73,023	20

* There were no caveats until 1869.