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AWARDS UNDER HUDSON'S BAY AND PUGET SOUND AGRI-CULTURAL COMPANIES' TREATY.

## LETTER

FROM THE

## SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY

INCLOSING

A letter from the Secretary of State asking an appropriation to pay the awards under the Hudson's Bay and Puget Sound Agricultural Companies' treaty with her Britannic Majesty.

MARCH 29, 1870.—Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

## WARRANT DIVISION, TREASURY DEPARTMENT, March 26, 1870.

SIR: I have the honor to inclose a letter from the honorable Secretary of State, asking an appropriation to pay the "awards under the Hudson's Bay and Puget Sound Agricultural Companies' treaty with her Britannic Majesty." I also send copy of a draught of an act making the necessary appropriation, which was prepared at the State Department.

The award referred to will be found on page 38 of the inclosed pam-

phlet.

I have the honor to be, very respectfully, &c.,

GEO. S. BOUTWELL,

Secretary.

Hon. James G. Blaine, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

> DEPARTMENT OF STATE, Washington, March 24, 1870.

SIR: By the treaty entered into on the 1st day of July, 1863, between the United States and her Britannic Majesty, for the final settlement of the claims of the Hudson's Bay and Puget's Sound Agricultural Companies, it was stipulated that the sums which might be awarded by the commissioners under the treaty should be paid by the one government to the other in two equal annual installments, the first to be paid within twelve months and the second within twenty-four months after the date of the award.