

L E T T E R
FROM
THE SECRETARY OF WAR,

TRANSMITTING.

In answer to Senate resolution of April 18, 1884, the official report of Lieutenant Schwatka of his military reconnaissance of 1883 in Alaska.

DECEMBER 3, 1884.—Referred to the Committee on Printing, and ordered to be printed.

WAR DEPARTMENT,
Washington City, December 1, 1884.

The Secretary of War has the honor to transmit to the United States Senate a copy of the official report of Lieut. Frederick Schwatka, Third Cavalry, of his military reconnaissance of 1883, from Chilkoot Inlet, Alaska, to Fort Selkirk, on Yukon River, Alaska, in compliance with the resolution of the Senate of April 18, 1884, as follows:

Resolved, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, directed to transmit to the Senate the official report by Lieut. Frederick Schwatka, United States Army, of his military reconnaissance of 1883, from Chilkoot Inlet, Alaska, to Fort Selkirk, on Yukon River, Alaska.

Accompanying are two letters of the Adjutant-General of the Army, dated, respectively, April 22 and November 4, 1884, from the latter of which it will be observed that the delay in preparing a complete copy of the report of Lieutenant Schwatka was occasioned by the necessity of procuring copies of the photographic illustrations accompanying the report.

ROBERT T. LINCOLN,
Secretary of War.

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE
UNITED STATES SENATE.

WAR DEPARTMENT,
ADJUTANT-GENERAL'S OFFICE,
Washington, April 22, 1884.

SIR: Referring to the Senate resolution of April 18, 1884, calling for a copy of the report of Lieutenant Schwatka's reconnaissance from Chil-