

## EXTRAORDINARY STATEMENTS.

A special dispatch from Washington to the *Tribune* says :

“ Gen. FREMONT a day or two since made a requisition of \$500,000, to be paid immediately for account of purchases of ordnance and ordnance stores in St. Louis. Gen. RIPLEY specially reported to-day upon this application, first, that no authority whatever was known in the Ordnance Bureau for Gen. FREMONT's making the purchases. Secondly, that the vouchers accompanying the application show that excessive prices were paid for many of the articles, for instance : \$22 50 each for HALL's carbines, which only cost \$17 50 when new, and which, moreover, have been rejected from the United States service, and sold as condemned property at public auction for \$6, and less; Enfield rifles at \$26 50; which were recently contracted for of first quality at \$20 ; COLT's pistols for \$35, for which the contract price is \$25 ; COLT's carbines at \$60, and COLT's rifles at \$65 each, much more than those arms are worth. There is no evidence from Gen. FREMONT's command that these arms have undergone inspection by a United States officer, or any inspection at all. Finally, Gen. RIPLEY reports that unless purchases and expenditures like these of Gen. FREMONT's are regulated and restricted by the War Department, the liberal appropriations of Congress will be ‘wholly insufficient to meet the liabilities’ that can be rolled up against the Government.”

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