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16 Having referred your communication to the Chief of the Bureau of Ordnance for report, I herewith enclose a copy of his reply, dated the 23<sup>d</sup> ult<sup>o</sup>, and also a copy of letter of the Superintendent of the Observatory accompanying it.

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