



2250
 5400
 500
 300
 500
 8900

2700
 1600
 4300

Department of State,

Washington, 19 April 1856.

Sir:

A box containing one set (44 volumes,) of the Documents of the 2 Session of the 33^a Congress has been forwarded from this Department to you. The receipt of which you will please acknowledge.

I am, Sir, respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

J. A. Thomas
 Asst. Sec.

The Pres

St. Johns Col

Annapolis

111 41

Value of Skill - A bar of iron sold
for \$5 - worked into horse shoes acquiring a
value of \$10.50 - Labor \$5.50 -

Made into Cudgels, \$3.55 - Labor - \$3.50 -

" Put Knife Blades, \$3.285 Labor \$3.280 -

" Shirt buttons \$29.480 Labor \$28.475 -

" Balance Spring \$250.000 Labor \$249.995

31 lbs Iron have been worked into 111 miles of
wire, fine enough to be used instead of
horsehair, to make wire -

Hub: April 1856. 494.

R.R. centering at Chicago - 11 Trunk
Road, i.e. Grand Lines - 23 Branch
Roads, i.e. lateral & extension Lines -
in all, 6.449 miles, either already com-
pleted, or to be so, in a short period -

10 Trunk & 11 branch lines, were finished,
in 1855, i.e. 2.933 miles -

In mid winter, in 1855, Dearborn, had
58 passenger trains & 38 freight trains, arriving
& departing, at Chicago.

If you wish to see Progress, see Illinois.
Ten years back, she had only 95 miles of R.R. -
after, now, she has 2410 miles - Feb 16. 1856 -