
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
Office of Indian Affairs, May 17, 1852.

SIR: My attention has been called to a letter from General Hitchcock to Adjutant General Jones, dated March 31, 1852, and I enclose herewith a copy for your information and such explanations as you may have to make. I am unwilling to believe that the imputations against you are at all well founded, and it is to be regretted that you are exposed to unjust prejudice in consequence of your son's connexion with the transactions in question.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

L. LEA, *Commissioner.*

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