DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
Office Indian Affairs, August 18, 1851.

Sir: Your letter of June 24, 1851, transmitting license granted you to Dent, Vantine & Co., to trade with the Indians residing upon the reservation between the Tuolumne and Stanislaus rivers, with their bond and the accompanying papers, has been received.

Though there are several instances of want of conformity with the
regulations governing such cases in the papers transmitted, the license is returned approved, but to be retained by you until the dates of the bond and license are made to agree. The bond, when thus perfected, must be forwarded to this office.

You state in your letter that you have placed the trappers upon the reservation at $1,000 per annum. As there is no authority for making a charge for granting license to trade with Indians, you are directed to correct this error at once.

I enclose you copies of the regulations for your guidance in future.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

CHAS. E. MIX,
Acting Commissioner, ad interim.

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[Similar letter, same date, touching license to George W. Belt, esq.; also, touching license to J. B. Savage & Co.]