
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
Office of Indian Affairs, September 4, 1852.

Sir: By the act approved 30th August, 1852, there have been appropriated for the Indian service in California for the present fiscal year, the following sums, to wit:

For salary of superintendent.....	\$4,000
For salary of clerk to superintendent.....	2,500
For office rent, stationery, fuel and lights, and postage on official letters.....	3,500
For interpreters.....	3,000
For the preservation of peace with those Indians who have been dispossessed of their lands in California, until permanent arrangements can be made for their future settlement.	100,000
For furniture for superintendent's office.....	500
For flags for distribution among the tribes.....	500
Total.....	<u>114,000</u>

Inasmuch as some days will elapse before these amounts will be brought on the books of the treasury, and the consequent impossibility of making remittances to you by the steamer of the 6th instant, I have concluded to authorize you to draw for the several amounts hereinafter named, under the following heads of account, to wit:

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"Expenses of California superintendency," per act of August 30, 1852.....	\$6,300
(Viz: Salary of superintendent.....)	\$1,300
Salary of clerk.....	1,250
Salary of interpreter.....	1,500
Office furniture.....	500
Office rent, fuel, &c.....	1,750)
"Preservation of peace among the Indian tribes of California,"—same act.....	75,000
"Pay of superintendent and Indian agents," per act of February 27, 1851.....	\$2,400
"Pay of superintendent and Indian agents," per act of August 30, 1852.....	5,100
	7,500

Of the appropriation of \$100,000 made for the preservation of peace among the Indian tribes of California, the treaties having been rejected by the Senate, it has been determined to apply \$25,000 to the purchase of suitable presents for those Indians who have been dispossessed of their lands, and for transportation of the same. This purchase will be made by or under the direction of Pearson B. Reading, esq., of whose experience, and knowledge of what is most suitable for the Indians in California, the department desires to avail itself; and it will be made in time for the goods to be shipped to your address, by the steamer of the 20th instant. Only such articles will be purchased as can be conveniently transported across the isthmus, and which may be difficult or impossible to procure in San Francisco, at reasonable rates. Heavy articles, such as blankets, clothing, &c., can doubtless be procured by you in California at suitable points, and in such quantities as you may deem it advisable to procure. The cost of the transportation of the goods in California must be paid out of the \$75,000 which you are authorized to draw for. In reference to the disposition of the balance of the fund, the department, relying upon your knowledge of the wants of the Indians, and the condition of Indian affairs in your superintendency, leaves it altogether to your discretion.

You are already aware of the purchase of flags for distribution among the Indians; these flags will also be forwarded to you with the other goods.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

L. LEA, *Commissioner.*

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