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This amount you will charge yourself with, and account for the same in your quarterly accounts.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

CHAS. E. MIX,

Acting Commissioner.

ED. F. BEALE, Esq.,

Superintendent Indian Affairs,

San Francisco, California.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
Office of Indian Affairs, September 15, 1852.

SIR: You are hereby appointed a special agent of this department for the purchase and shipment of goods for the Indians of California. I enclose herewith the form of a bond, which you will execute in the penal sum of \$5,000, and return to this office. For this purpose a remittance of \$25,000 will be made to you at New York, when further instructions will be given you.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

L. LEA, Commissioner.

PEARSON B. READING, Esq.,

Washington City, D. C.

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

SIR: With reference to your appointment as special agent of this department for the purchase and shipment of goods for the Indians of California, your bond having been received and approved, and a remittance of \$25,000 having been made to you to the care of Grant & Barton, at New York, I have to remark that the said amount forms a portion of the sum of \$100,000 appropriated, by the act of 30th August last, "for 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." Of this appropriation, the sum placed in your hands, it is deemed advisable, should be expended in New York in the purchase of suitable articles for those Indians, reserving so much thereof as will pay the expense of transportation to San Francisco. To your judgment and discretion, as you are familiar with the style of goods suitable for these Indians, is the selection and purchase of the goods confided. I have, therefore, to direct that you will proceed to execute the duties of your trust with all possible despatch, and without delay to have the goods shipped by the first steamer to superintendent E. F. Beale, at San Francisco, making all necessary arrangements for their safe conduct over the isthmus.

The amount which you will receive at New York will be charged to you, and you will account for the same under the head of appropriation before referred to. Upon the purchase and shipment of the goods, you will at once advise this office. Superintendent Beale will be informed