

California Supy. B 55

to G. Deale

Washington 7 April 1852

Special for Deale B 55

As he will have to investigate  
into the matter of drafts of Agents  
in California, and as J. C.  
Tremont, <sup>one</sup> of the interested parties,  
who is his intimate friend &  
companion - asks that some  
gentleman in California be  
associated with him, to relieve  
him of inquiry into a matter where  
Tremont has any connection with  
it.

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Sir,

As an investigation of all matters connected with Indian Affairs in California will be a part of my duty as Superintendent of Indian Affairs for that State, and especially a close enquiry in relation to the drafts of the present Indian Agents for supplies furnished the Indians I have to request, that some gentleman of California be associated with me in that business. My reasons for this is that among the contractors for those supplies, & consequently interested in the payment of the drafts, is my intimate friend & companion Col: J. C. Fremont. The investigation of any pecuniary matter in which he is interested would be exceedingly delicate, unpleasant, & embarrassing to me, & while I believe the strictest scrutiny possible into



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this affair will result beneficially to  
Col: Fremont. I would nevertheless prefer it  
should be made <sup>by</sup> some other person than  
myself. I therefore earnestly request that  
some one of known intelligence, high standing,  
& irreproachable character be associated  
with me in this investigation, with express  
instructions to relieve me from enquiry into  
any matter in which Col: Fremont may  
be in any manner whatever connected.

I should feel acquiescence in this  
request a personal favor from the  
Department.

Very Respectfully,  
C. F. Beale.  
Sup. Ind. aff. Cal.<sup>a</sup>