California Aug 1850
Office Supt of Indian Affairs
San Francisco, Cal

Thos. J. Stanley,
26th July, 1854

Accepts the Office of Supt.
Encloses Bond & Oath

Ragby-up-Otetoemo
7th day after
Constituting
Sept 1854

Present in S.A. Court
Sept 10, 1854

And on Sept 14th, 1854
Contract Book No. 7

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Sept 7, 1854
Office Supt. of Indian Affairs
San Francisco, Cal.
July 21st, 1854

S. R. J. Colfax
Sec. of the Interior.
Washington City
D.C.

Sir:

Your letter of the 21st is received. It informs me of my appointment as Superintendent of Indian Affairs for the State of California, and vests me with authority. I accept the position assigned me, and shall devote my best efforts to fulfill its varied duties as enjoined by law and regulation.

Herewith, please find my official bond, and with it my commission.

I am a native of the State of Indiana.

And remain
Your friend and
Respectfully,

Thos. J. Shepley.