

California July 17, 1871  
Thomas J. Henley  
San Francisco Oct 14, '74

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Asks instructions as to  
payment of settlers claims  
upon the reservations -  
States \$125 would not be  
a fair compensation -  
Recommends that \$1000  
be paid to each settler

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Rec'd Nov 11, '74  
Ans. " 16. "

Done - can move than  
\$125 per acre be paid  
per Lander 400 ac

Office Supt. Indu Affairs  
San Francisco Oct. 14, 1854

Hon. G. W. Mampenny  
Com<sup>t</sup>. Indian Affairs  
Washington City  
D. C.

Sir: I have stated in former advises that no Mexican grants to land of any validity would interfere with the Indian Reservations. But I have now to report that there are settlers claims upon the Reservations which according to my views of justice ought to be paid for out of the fund appropriated for "extinguishing conflicting titles to the reserved lands."

The appropriation limits the sum to be paid to one dollar and twenty five cents per acre. This would not be a fair compensation for the value of their claims, but they have made some improvements which would be useful to the Reservations, and for which, if I were allowed to pay them, I could settle with them upon very fair and equitable terms. Indeed before I saw the law I promised that they should be paid for their land and improvements

a fair compensation, which promise I  
feel in honor bound to make good. I  
would recommend that the sum of one  
thousand dollars be paid to each settler.  
This would quiet all complaints and  
avoid trouble. I desire instructions upon  
this subject.

Very Respectfully  
Your Obedt<sup>t</sup>  
Thos. J. Huley,  
Asst. Ind<sup>r</sup> Affairs