Report, in reply to inquiry of the letter of Mr. Comp.
asking a list of allowances at the several posts
within the State of Cal-
ifornia, for Office for
the Military service
Dec. Nov. 24/54
Quarter Master General's Office,
Washington, Nov. 22, 1854.

Sir,

In reply to the 22d Query of the letter of the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, referred to this Office, asking a list of allowances at the general post within that State (California) for Officers for the Military Service, I have the honor to state, that Major General or other Officer Commanding a Department is allowed two rooms as offices. The Commanding Officers of a regiment or post, an Inspector General, Paymaster, Judge Advocate, and Officers of the Dr. Orr, & Sales, Departments, one room each as an Office.

Officers serving at a Military post where the Public own buildings are furnished with offices in them — and where there are no public rooms available, they are rented by the Public.

To each office is allowed one cord of wood as fuel from the 1st October to the 30th of April each year, when necessary.

Furniture is allowed for each Office as follows.
Two common desks or tables, with a paper case, an inkstand, & a Sand hop to each, six common chairs, one pair of common and
iron, & shackle and tongs.

The foregoing allowances are the same at all military posts or stations, and the
only difference of cost is the rate of rent. They are not personal allowances, on
Emoluments, and cannot be committed for the benefit of the Officer.

I remain Sir,
Most respectfully,

[Signature]

In addressing

Hon. Jeffr. Davis,
Sec'y. of War,
Washington,
D.C.