

California 1854
John Ferguson
San Francisco Mar 24/60

One affidavit Rel.
to the claim of Isaac
W. Wood for services
as laborer at the Mine
of the Indian firm

~~Dec 25/60~~
Salute to Capt. Mc Duffie
to John Ferguson June 6/60

25. Finance
Salute to Capt. Haley May 3/60

San Francisco, Cal.

March 29th 1860.

Chas. S. Mias Esq.

Chief Clk. Indian Bureau,
Washington City,

D. C.

Dr. Sir:

I have been ap-
plied to by Mr. Isaac M. Ward,
now of this City, to aid him
in obtaining what is due by
the Government; and having
known you for many long years
determined to ask your attention
to a case of great wrong and
oppression of a poor laboring
man, whose fault consists in
having witnessed the acts of others,
and spoken his mind more fully
than appears to have been ex-
pedient.

The enclosed Affidavits
of Mr Ward exhibit the fact of

his having been employed as a Laborer
in your Dept., at \$60 per month.

Mr Ward received his pay from
time to time, and in full to 31st
Dec. 1858. as will appear by Receipts
on file with you.

After the 31st Dec. 1858 it appears
that there were no funds in the hands
of your Agents, and altho' continuously
employed, as previously, no compensa-
tion was given him. He was discharg-
ed on the 9th July 1859. - see accom-
panying letter of your Superintendent.

Mr H. Suffic, your Supt., is fully
aware that Mr Ward continued in the
service during the time for which com-
pensation is claimed, and on yester-
day paid Mr Ward \$18 for the nine
days in July 1859. He paid that
sum because the service was render-
ed during his term of office. taking
charge at Stone Ledge on or about
the 1st July '59. This leaves \$360
still due and unpaid.

I hope that you will either

sent a Dft. to Mr Ward for the amount
due, or direct the Superintendent - J. G.
McP. Supp. Sup. (who is fully cog-
nizant of the facts in the case)
to make payment - as early as
practicable - Mr Ward and his
family are actually suffering
for the want of the small sum
withheld from him -

I am,

Very Respectfully
Your friend
John Ferguson.

P.S. Please have me advised of your
decision.