

California 1850
James G. McDuffie
San Francisco June 16, '59

Relative to the delay and
entarrapment in the per-
formance of the duties of
signed him, in consequence
of the indetelness of the
Indian Service. - Ask for
a remittance of portions of
the appropriation for the en-
ding fiscal year, for purpi-
ses indicated. - Properly sup-
ported over by J. Stanley Cal. Dept.
various correspondence relative
to. - One or two agents report
ing is furnished with last year
of the year 1858.

~~Rec'd July 13, '59~~
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Wm

Office Sup Ind Affairs
San Francisco Cal
June 16th 1859

The Hon

Commissioners of Indian Affairs.
Sir,

Since I assumed the duties of this Superintendency, I have ascertained upon careful inquiry that considerable delay and embarrassment, in the performance of the duties assigned to me, will result from the present anomalous conditions of its affairs. It appears that large unenclosed bills are at each allotment, and Sub-Treasury, for the pay of employees, and supplies furnished during the past year; and that it will not be practicable to procure an accurate statement of the indebtedness without application to each Auditor of the Government throughout the State. Some of these Auditors I understand, have transferred their claims

to second and third parties; others live
in remote parts of the Country, and a few
whose means will not permit of much
longer delay, are threatening to seize the
public property as the only alternative left
them. I shall of course resist any illegal
action of this kind; but I apprehend that
there will be considerable difficulty in the
management of the Indians under these
improspective circumstances, if I am compelled
to await the adjustment of all existing
liabilities, before I can receive a remittance
of the necessary funds to carry on the current
business of the Superintendency. It will re-
quire several months to visit all the
reservations and furnish the Department
with an approximate estimate of their
indebtedness, so as to enable it to determine
how far the unexpended portion of the appropriation
for the last fiscal year, will be available for
the present. Nor is it possible for me now
to make any estimates of the funds that
will be necessary to carry on the business
of this Superintendency, inasmuch as I have

No record of the number of persons now employed, and also form no plan of operations for carrying into effect a more economical policy without a personal inspection of all the reservations. It is my earnest desire, however, that a system of credit shall not be entailed upon me, by any irregularities which may have taken place heretofore; and with a view of preventing further accumulation of debt, I respectfully suggest that the Department shall transmit a portion of the appropriation for the ensuing fiscal year to pay the salaries of such employees as I may find absolutely indispensable, leaving the limitation to be fixed by the Department; I shall also require funds to pay traveling expenses and the salary of a Clerk.

Having presented the Certificate of the U. S. Attorney of the acceptance of my bonds and qualification for office to the late Superintendent (T. J. Henley Esq.), and called upon him in compliance therewith instructions, to turn over the public

property in his possession, I received from him the Articles enumerated in the enclosed list marked "A"

Upon application to him for any additional property that he might have (see letter marked "B") I received the enclosed reply (marked "C")

From the above inventory, you will perceive that I am without any office furniture, and I have to request that authority and the necessary means to purchase blank books, Stationery, a desk, foot case, & chairs; Also that you will furnish me with complete files of forms and instructions.

I have addressed a circular to the Agents & Sub Agents requesting to be furnished with a correct list of the employees under their charge, together with a list of ~~the~~ the debts due for salaries & supplies; upon the receipt of which I shall transmit them for your consideration with such suggestions as may result from a personal examination of the reservations.

Very Respectfully,
Wm 75 St.
James. J. M. Dyffier
Super. Affairs

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"A" M110
[California 1859]

Invoice of property
transferred to J. W. C.
Duffie: Sup. Ind. Affairs
by J. J. Henry Esq (Colo
Superintendent)

San Francisco apr 14/59

Invoices of Public Property delivered
 by Thos. J. Henley Genl. Ind. Affs. Col. to
 James V. Mc Duffie his successor in office

368	Blanks Property Returns	}	1	Map. United States
180	" Vouchers		1	" Mendocino
12	" Abstracts	}	2	Printings
2	Letter clips		5	qs. Gas. Paper
1	" Sealr.	}	5	" Letter do.
1	Eyeletti Machine		5	" Note do.
1	Copy Boughtley Digest	}	500	Envelopes ap ^d
				5 qs. Envelope paper
	Office Sam Lomanis		2	Office Legals

Jan 14th / 59.

(Signed) Thos. J. Henley
 Genl. Ind. Affairs

I Certify that the above is a true copy of
 the original now on file in this office
 Sam Lomanis Col

James V. Mc Duffie
 Genl. Ind. Affairs

"B" M10
[California 1859]

Letter from J. H. McDuffie
Genl. Ind. Office for Cal
to J. J. Henley Esq. Late
Superintendent - Acting
for Books + records
connected with the
Indian Department -

Wm Linnell Esq
Jan 14. 1869

Copy.

Office of Sup. Ind. Affairs
San Francisco Cal
June 14th 1859.

Hon. G. J. Henley.

Late Sup. Ind. Affairs $\frac{3}{3}$
for

I have to request that you will furnish me with the number + names of the Indian Reservations and Agencies connected with this Superintendency, together with the names of the different ~~reserves~~ Agents and Employees connected with each - Please also inform me whether there are any Books, or papers, connected with your Office, or other public property in your custody, for which I should become responsible, other than the Invoice of Stationery for which I have already received -

I have also to request for my future Guidance, a copy of all instructions you may have received from the Department relating to the Government of the Indian Department in this State -

Very Resp^t Yours
(-signed) J. G. Mc Caffie
Sup. Ind. Affairs

"C" M10
[California 1859]

Letter from J. J. Henley
Esq. in reply to letter
from J. G. McDuffie
Genl Ind Affairs for
Cal dated San Francisco
Jan 14th 1859.

Copy

San Francisco, June 14th - 1859.

James G. McNeill Esq. 3
Sup. Ind. Affairs 3
San Francisco Cal. 3

Sir,
Yours of 20th date
is at hand and hasten to comply with your
request - The number and names of the Reservations
agents &c in the California Superintendency are
as follows.

Yreona Reservation. Mr. B. Lewis Sub agent
attached is Kings River farm and Wm Campbell ^{in charge}

Mendocino Reservation. A. L. Ford, Sub agent.
attached is Matole River farm & J. Cunningham in charge

Nome Lake Reservation. V. E. Gilder agent
attached is Nome Cult Ind farm J. P. Horne in charge

Sejow Reservation. J. R. Finney agent

Klamath Reservation. D. E. Paul agent -
The

The number and names of the employes
on the different Reservations, are not in
my possession - This information can only
be obtained from the agents who have their
own help -

There are no Books or papers within
my knowledge connected with the office
of Sup. Ind. Affairs for which you should become
responsible other than those I have already
delivered to you -

The property belonging to the
Superintendency is principally in the hands
of the agents and will be found entered upon
their property Returns - That portion of outside
property still remaining in my hands can be
delivered to you as we pass through the super-
intendency visiting the different Reservations -

I take this occasion to say
that it will give me pleasure to exhibit to you
for your inspection and information my Books
or papers belonging to my administration as
Sup. Ind. Affs that you may desire to examine

Very Respectfully Yours
(Signed) Thos. J. Henley