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Indian Agency.

As there has been some considerable enquiry as to who was the authorized Indian Agent for this county, and as doubts have been expressed as whether there was such an official amongst us or not, we cheerfully publish the following communication and accompanying papers, received from Col. Coats. The original documents are in our possession and can be seen at any time, by those entertaining doubts on the subject :

SUB INDIAN AGENCY, }
GUAJOME, CAL., June 13, '55. }

Editor San Diego Herald:

It appearing that some doubt exists as to my being the Sub-Indian Agent for the county of San Diego—that Col Henley did not continue me in office—enclosed please find the appointment as sent me by Col. H., with the request to publish the same and keep it in your office for the inspection of the doubtful, for one month. Also, the appointment as sent me by B. D. Wilson, Indian Agent for the Southern District, bearing date two years ago.

I have discharged the duties of Sub Indian Agent of this county ever since receiving this appointment from Mr. W.

in 1853, (never having been removed.)
I can say that my instructions have been carried out. The Indians are, and have been living in peace and quietude; their gardens will to-day bear an inspection that they never would before; and they are at peace with the whites.

The Captains and Alcaldes of the different rancherias have orders to make their Indians work; those who do not, to bind them to some Indian, of his rancheria, who does; and give a part of his crop.

It has been my aim to place every rancheria, as far as possible, under the control of the owner of the rancho where they lived, experience teaching me that this is the best plan for both parties. And I solicit, as I have done heretofore, any instructions that a rancho may wish communicated to the Alcaldes of the rancheria on his farm or adjacent thereto. If compatible with my instructions I will be most happy to comply.

I am, sir, very respectfully,
your most ob't. serv't,

CAVE J. COUTS,

Sub-Ind. Agt. for County San Diego.

OFFICE OF INDIAN AGENT,)

LOS ANGELES, CO., CAL., June 13, '53. (

CAPT. C. J. COUTS, Mission of San Luis Rey, San Diego Co.—SIR:—I hereby appoint you Sub-Indian Agent for the county of San Diego subject to the approval of the Superintendent of Indian Affairs of California.

B. D. WILSON,

Indian Agent.

Should you accept the above appointment, your instructions are as follows:

Use all prudent means to protect the Indians in their rights, against impious white men. Settle all disputes amongst themselves; advise with the Indians and encourage them to labor and provide for the maintainance of their families.

At present we have no treaties to make, nor have we any supplies to furnish them; our present object is to keep them quiet. When I receive further instructions I will advise you of such.

B. D. WILSON,
Ind'n Agt.

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT. }
IND. AFS. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 6 '54. }

C. J. COULTS, E-Q. :

SIR :—You are requested and authorized to act as Special Indian Agent for the Indians in San Diego County. It will be your duty to protect the rights of the Indians, and preserve peaceable relations between them and the white inhabitants.

The means necessary to be used for that purpose will be left entirely to your discretion.

You are not authorized to expend any money or contract any obligations in the discharge of your duties, for the present.

You will please to report the number and condition of the Indians in your agency as soon as possible.

Your ob't. serv't.

THOS. J. HENLEY,
Sup. Indian Affairs.

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