
PITTSBURG, *November 1, 1850.*

SIR: I wrote you last from Wheeling, on the 30th ult., requesting an order for personal arms for our party, to be sent to me at New York. On the 31st, the day I left Wheeling, Mr. Barbour arrived from Kentucky, and after a short interview (in which I advanced him on account of his salary and mileage the sum of \$2,000) he set out on his return to his family, with the understanding that, with Dr. Wozencraft, he would meet me either at Havana or Chagres, via New Orleans. At his suggestion, I write now to request the favor of your procuring for our party, from the State Department, a full copy of the Digest of the Laws of the United States, a copy of the volume of Indian Treaties, and any other books you may find there calculated to throw light upon our contemplated duties in California. The above we think it important to have with us, and I hope you may be able to send them per express, to care of Messrs. Wilbur & Scott, New York, prior to the 11th inst.

In haste, but very respectfully,

R. McKEE.

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Acting Commissioner, &c., Washington City.

Add some copies of Hon. T. B. King's report on California, and some copies of the Republic or Intelligencer with the laws of the last session relating to California.