
PRINCETON, KY., *November 11, 1850.*

DEAR SIR: Upon reflection I have concluded that it would be but prudent at least, if not necessary, before entering upon the discharge of my duties as commissioner in California, to take an oath of office, although it was not required in the instructions sent to me.

I have taken the oath, which you will please find enclosed herewith. I hope the form will answer.

With sentiments of high regard, I am your obedient servant,
G. W. BARBOUR.

Hon. A. H. H. STUART,
Secretary of the Interior, Washington.

I, George W. Barbour, swear that I will well and faithfully, to the best of my skill, serve the United States in the office of commissioner to hold treaties with the various Indian tribes in the State of California; that I will carefully attend to all such orders and instructions as I shall from time to time receive from the President of the United States, the Secretary of the Interior, Commissioner of Indian Affairs, or the person

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under whose direction I am or may hereafter be placed; and that in all things belonging to my said office, during my continuance therein, I will faithfully, justly, and truly, according to the best of my skill and judgment, do equal and impartial justice, without fraud, favor, or affection.

G. W. BARBOUR.

Sworn and subscribed before me, F. W. Urey, a justice of the peace in and for the county of Caldwell, and State of Kentucky, 11th November, 1850.

F. W. UREY, J. P. C. C.
