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Messrs. McKee, Barbour  
& Wozencraft to be ap-  
pointed Commissioners under  
S of Act of approp. for Current  
& Contingent expenses &c  
Indr. Dept. for fiscal year  
ending June 30/50, appor-  
portioning 25000\$ to treat  
with Indians in California,  
their Salaries as honor agents to be  
suspended till duties under  
the Commission are fulfilled,  
& will be instructed as within  
directed &c.

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Sir,

Upon Consultation with the President and with his sanction, it has been determined to appoint Messrs McKee, Barlow and Hozencraft Commissioners, under that Section of the Act entitled "An Act to make appropriations for the Current and contingent expenses of the Indian Department and for fulfilling treaty stipulations with the various Indian tribes for the year ending 30<sup>th</sup> of June 1851" which appropriated \$25,000 "to enable the President to hold treaties with the various Indian tribes in the State of California".

The functions and Salaries of these gentlemen as Resident Indian Agents are suspended until their duties under this Commission are fulfilled. Messrs McKee and Barlow will proceed to California and in conjunction with their associate Mr. Hozencraft make such explorations of the Indian Country and such examinations into their Condition and habits as Circumstances may allow. The Commissioners will also be instructed to make such treaties and Compacts with the Indians as may seem to be just and proper. It is also desirable that they



