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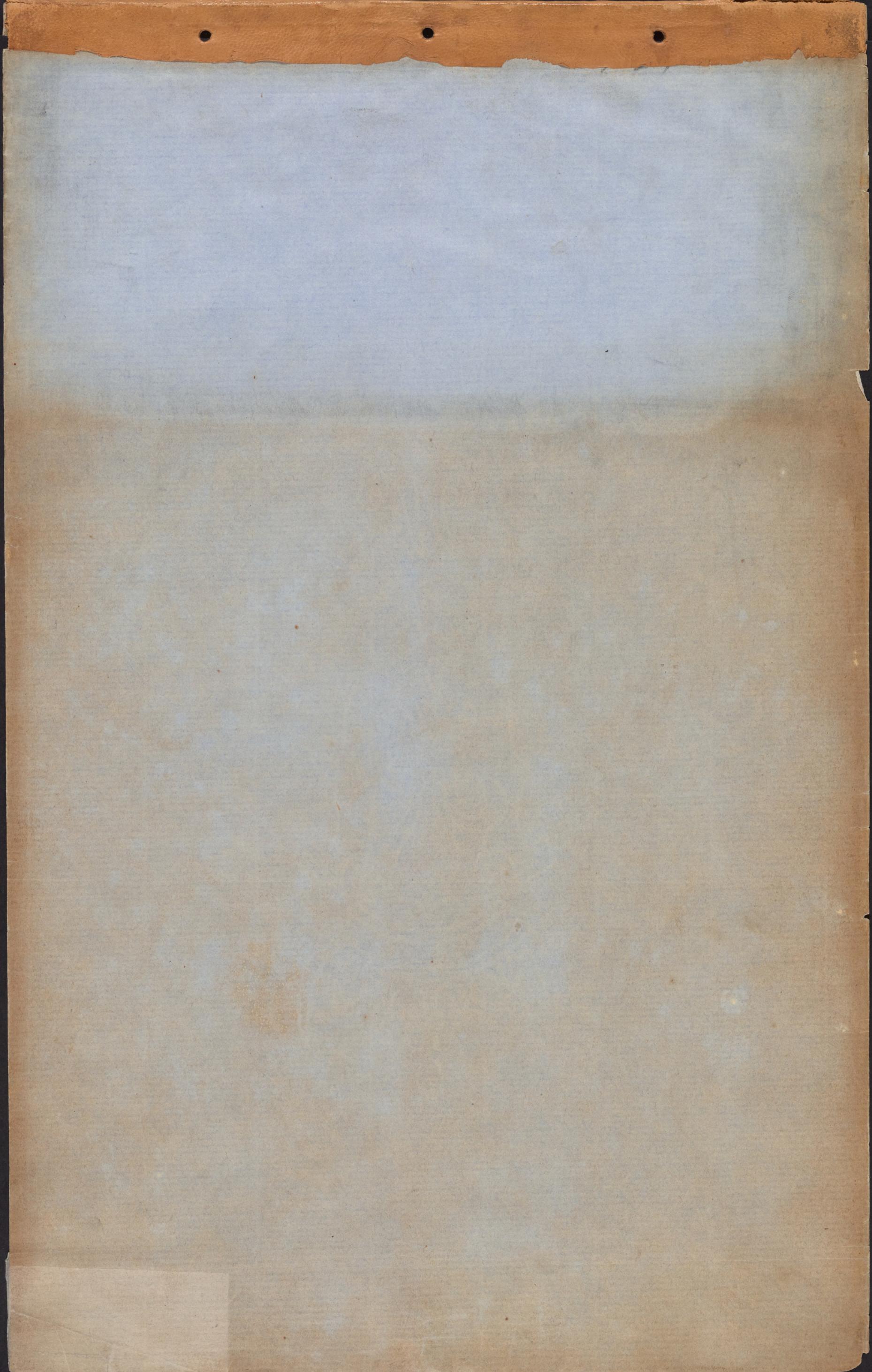
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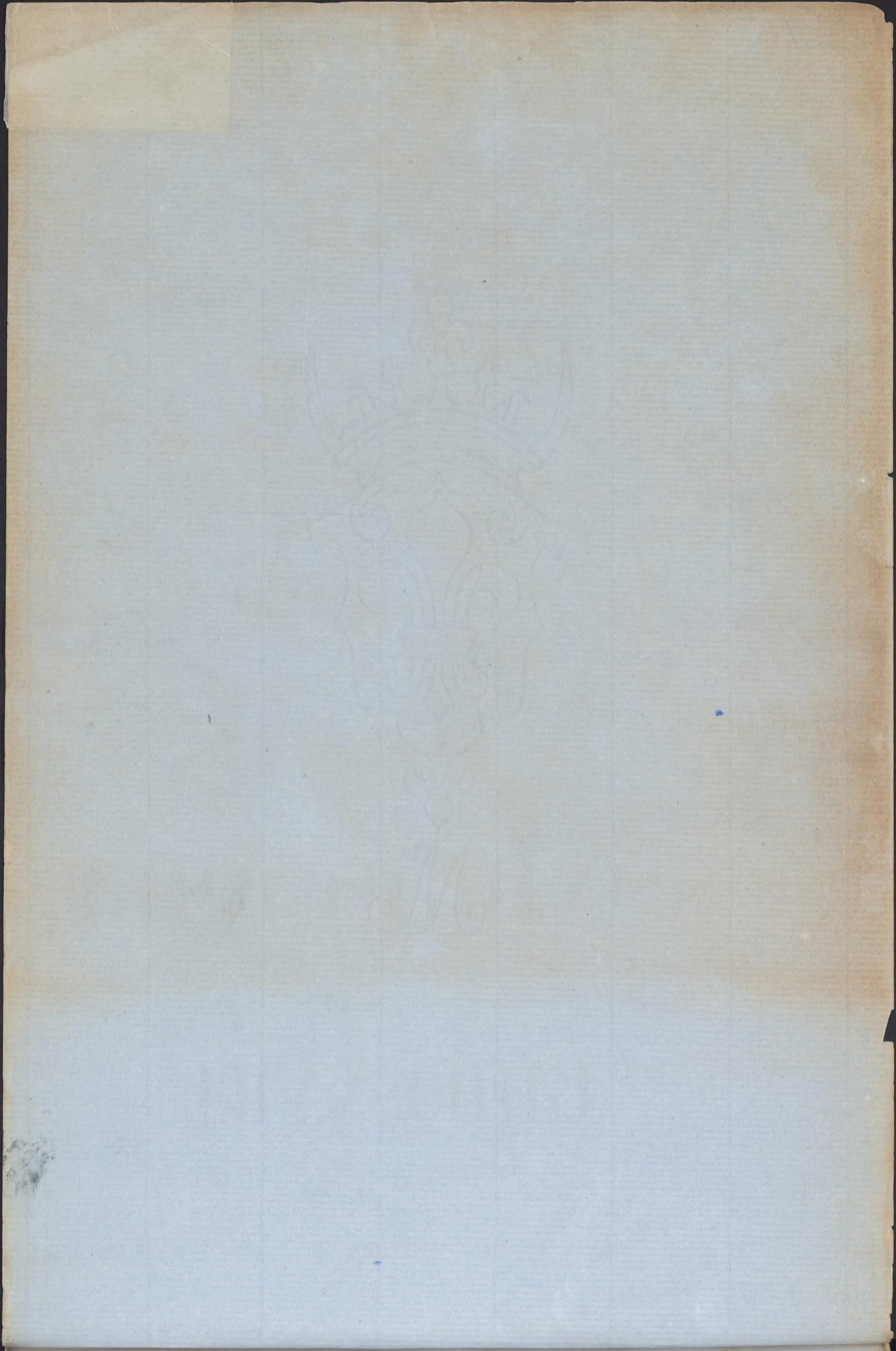
PART OF NAPA GRANT

LYMAN BARTLETT

CLAIMANT

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OF THE

PROCEEDINGS

IN CASE

NO.

734

Syman Bartlett

CLAIMANT

VS.

THE UNITED STATES, DEFENDANT,

^{*part of*}
FOR THE PLACE NAMED

"Napa."

Office of the Board of Commissioners,

To ascertain and settle the Private Land Claims

IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

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Be it Remembered, that on this *Second day of March*, Anno Domini One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty-*Three*, before the Commissioners to ascertain and settle the Private Land Claims in the State of California, sitting as a Board in the City of San Francisco, in the State aforesaid, in the United States of America, the following Proceedings were had, to wit;

The Petition of *Syman Bartlett* ^{part of} for the Place named "*Napa*."

was presented, and ordered to be filed and docketed with No. 734 and is as follows, to wit;

(Vide page 3 of this Transcript.)

Upon which Petition the following subsequent Proceedings were had in their chronological order, to wit;

San Francisco Sept. 13th 1853.

In case no. 734 *Syman Bartlett* for part of the place named *Napa* the deposition of *Em. St. d' Remercant* a witness in behalf of the claimant taken before Commissioner *Alpheus Hitch* was filed;

(Vide page 4 of this Transcript)

San Francisco Oct. 8th 1853.

In the same case the answer for the claimant filed the following stipulation, to wit;

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San Francisco Oct. 25th 1853.

In the same case the answer for the claimant filed the following stipulation, to wit;

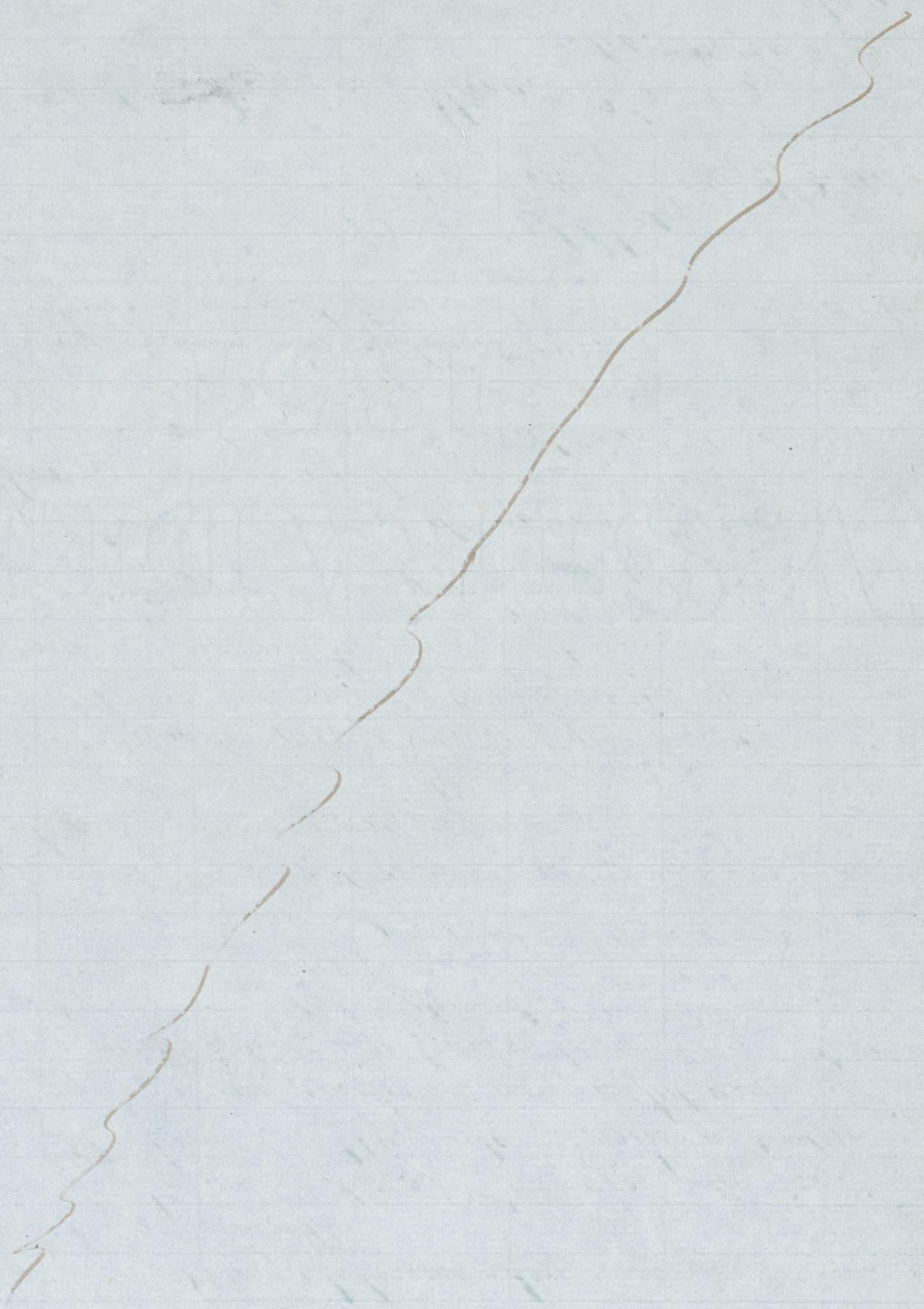
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San Francisco Oct. 31st 1853.
Case no. 734 Called. Submitted on Briefs
and taken under advisement by the Board.

San Francisco December 13th 1853.
In the same case Commissioner Alpheus
Fitch delivered the opinion of the Board
confirming the location.
(See page 24 of this Transcript)



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To the Honorable Commissioners to settle Private Land Claims in California.

The petitioner Symon Bartlett, respectfully represents:

That on the 21st day of September A.D. 1838, Juan B. Alvarado, Governor of California by virtue of authority in him vested, granted to Salvador Vallejo the tract of land called Napa, with the boundaries described in the map & title, which original title, map, approval & act of judicial possession are filed in claim No 495. & hereby referred to & made a part of this petition, books & titles of which are sub-jointed herewith marked A.

That on the 23rd day of January A.D. 1851, the said Salvador Vallejo & wife sold & conveyed to this petitioner one square mile or six hundred & forty acres of the said tract of land, as is more particularly set forth in the original deed of conveyance which is submitted herewith marked B. That the petitioner & those under whom he holds have been for about fifteen years & that the petitioner now is in the quiet & undisturbed possession of the said land, & knows of no conflicting claim.

Wherefore he prays the Commissioners to confirm to him the land described in the aforesaid deed of conveyance.

By his Atty,
Hallick, Beachy & Billings.

Filed in Office March 2nd 1853.

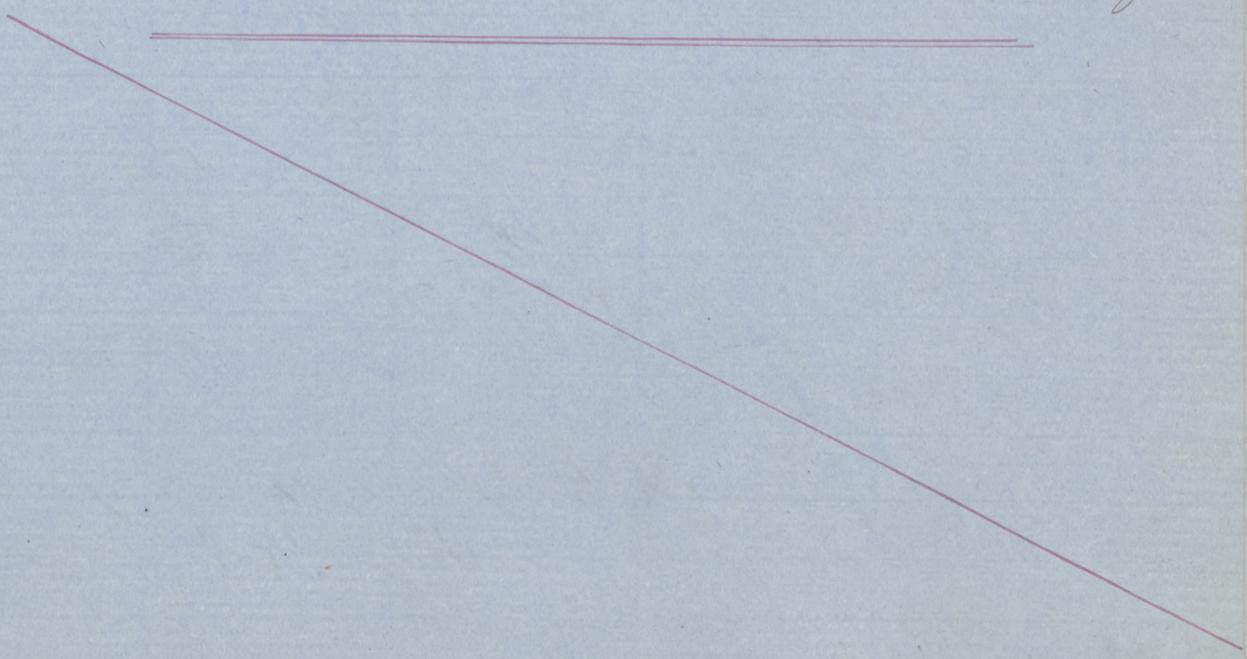
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Secy.

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Petition

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6290 = 63 folios



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Office of Commissioners of
Land Claims in California

This day before Comr Alphus Felch came
Em, A. d' Herculourt a witness in behalf of clai-
-mant Seymour Bartlett No 734, who after
being duly sworn deposed as follows.

Deposition of
E. A. d' Herculourt.

Questions by ~~Mr~~ Mr Hallett, Attorney for the

1. Question. What are your name, age & place of
residence.

Answer. My name is Emile A. d' Herculourt
my age is about thirty seven years & I reside in
Napa City in the County of Napa & State of Cal-
-ifornia.

2. Question. What office (if any) do you hold in
Napa County & how long have you held it?

Answer. I hold the office of County Surveyor.
I have held it since the month of April A. D. 1852.

3. Question. Examine the paper here presented and
shown to you marked B. with the initials A. F.
which is filed in this case purporting to be a
deed of conveyance from Salvador Vallejo & wife to
Seymour Bartlett & say if you know the land de-
scribed in this deed, & if you know whether or not
it is included within the general boundaries
of the judicial survey of the Napa Rancho as
described in document marked A, on file in
claim No 493, in the office of the Secretary of
this Board.

Answer. I have examined the papers presented &
know the land described therein. I surveyed the
land described in said deed & it is within the
general boundaries mentioned in this interrogatory.

Mr Guntton Assc. - Em. A. d' Herculourt.
-ciate San Agent was present at the
taking of this deposition, but put no
questions to the witness. Subscribed & sworn to
before me at San Francisco this thirtieth day of
September A. D. 1853. Alphus Felch, Commissioner.

390. Filed in Office Sept 13 1853. Geo. Fisher, Secy.

Office of the Board of Commissioners &c &c

This day before Court Alphonus Felch came George C. Yount a witness in behalf of claimant William H. Rose No 732, who after being duly sworn deposed as follows.

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Questions by Mr Hallatt Attorney for claimant

1. Question. What are your name, age & place of residence.

George C. Yount. Answer. My name is George C. Yount, my age is fifty nine years, & I reside in Napa County in California. I have lived in California ever since February 1831 & in Napa since 1836.

2. Question. Do you know the Rancho called Napa granted to Salvador Vallejo, if you, where is it situated.

Answer. I know the Rancho. It is bounded on the north or north west by my Rancho in which I live on the East by Napa River, on the South by Nicolas Wignera & on the West by Carrizo Creek. It is in Napa County above mentioned.

3. Question. State what you know about the occupation of the land.

Answer. Salvador Vallejo first occupied it in 1837 or 1838. I am not positive which. He had horses, cattle & corrales upon it. He built an adobe house on it, which he occupied with his family. The house was built by him the same year that he went there. He cultivated very largely. I suppose four or five hundred acres were cultivated in wheat, corn, barley, beans & other vegetables.

He continued to occupy it & after the Americans took possession of the country. He had probably four thousand head of cattle on it at that time.

4. Question. Do you know whether he sold any of the land, & if so to whom.

Answer. He has sold pretty much the whole valley. He sold some of it to Mr Rose, an attorney in San Francisco, also some to Mr Coburn, Mr Bartlett, Captain Knight & Mr McKill. The persons now occupy the lands purchased by them. They are fenced in & cultivated.

George C. Young

Subscribed & sworn to before me at San Francisco this eighth day of October A. D. 1853.

Mr Greenhow Associate Law Agent was present at the taking of this deposition, but proffered no interrogatories to the witness.

Alpheus Fitch
Commissioner.

It is hereby agreed between the Law Agent on the part of the United States & the Attorneys for the claimant that foregoing deposition may be read as evidence in claims numbered 733, 734, 735, & 736. October 6th 1853.

Robert Greenhow
Asst^l Law Agent.

I George Fisher Secretary of the U. S. Board of Commissioners to ascertain & settle the private land claims in the State of California do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full true & correct copy of a deposition taken in the above case, & now on file among the archives of said Board in my care & custody as such Secretary.

Geo: Fisher
Secy.

Filed in Office Dec 10th A. D. 1853.

Geo: Fisher
Secy.

No 734.

Stipulation

In the matter of the claim of Lyman Bartlett to part of Napa Rancho.

It is hereby agreed by the Law Agent on the part of the United States and the Atty, for the claimant that the testimony of Jose de la Rosa taken & now on file in case No 495, shall be read as testimony in this case.

Walleck, Peckey & Billings
Atty, for claimant.

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R. Granbow
Asst. Law Agent

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No 734.

Stipulation. Claim of Symon Bartlett to 640 acres, being a part of the Rancho called Napo granted to Salvador Vallejo.

It is agreed between the Law Agent on the part of the United States & the At-
torney for the Claimant, that the deposition of
Jose de la Rosa taken & on file in case No 500.
shall be read as testimony in this case.

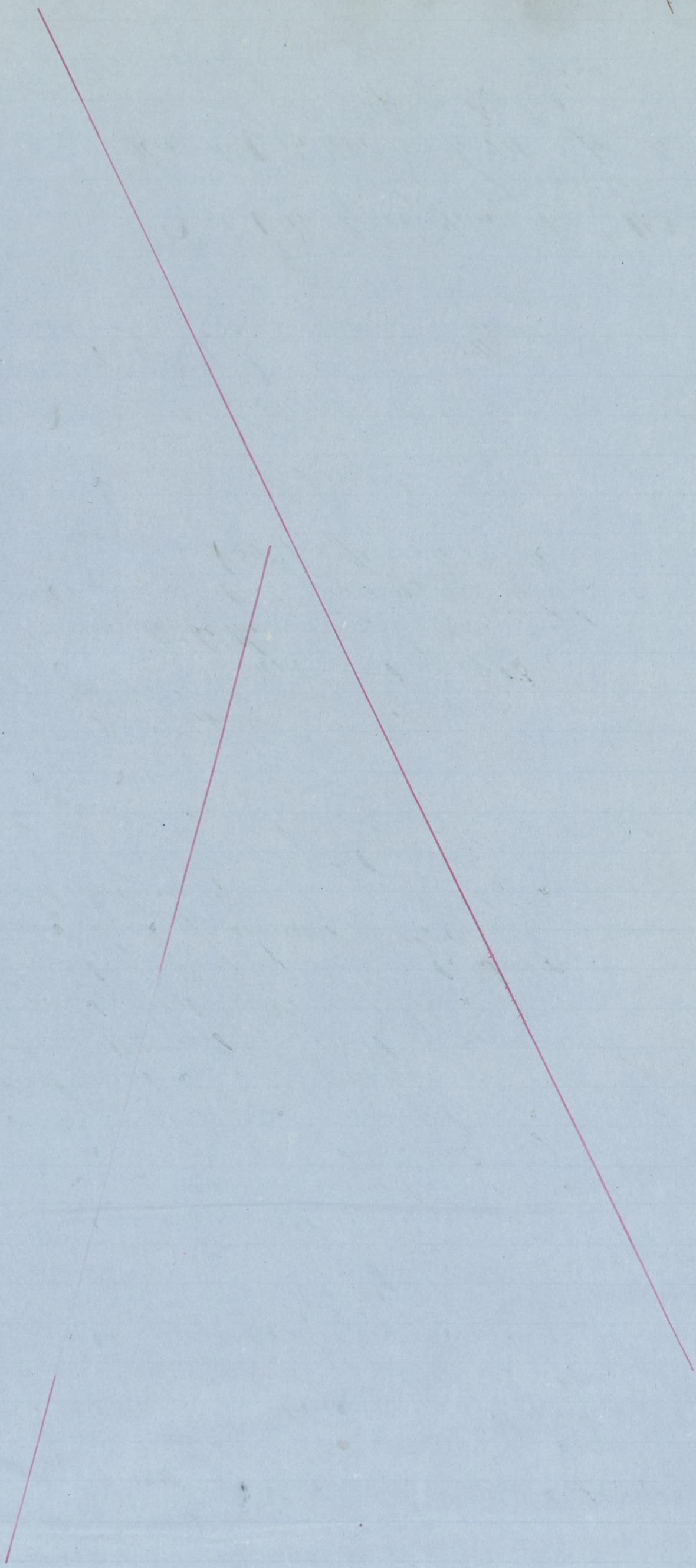
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Atty for Claimant

Robt Granbow.
Asst Law Agent.

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Deposition
of
Josi de la Rosa
in Case
No. 500

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San Francisco Jan'y 15th 1853

On this day before Com^r Harry J Thurston, came Josi de la Rosa, a witness in behalf of the claimant Silburn W. Boggs petition No. 500, and was duly sworn his evidence being interpreted by the Secretary.

My name is Josi de la Rosa; my age is 61 years; I reside in Sonoma, and have resided there 20 years.

I know the rancho called "Napa" in Napa Valley which was granted to Salvador Vallejo in 1838. The grantee first occupied it in 1838 or 9; he built a house on it and Corrales, had cattle and horses on it, and cultivated portions of the land. Since the Americans took possession of the Country he has sold portions of it to individuals.

I am acquainted with the signatures of Juan B. Alvarado, Francisco Arce, Jacob P. Lese, Victor Prudon, Damaso A. Rodriguez, Mariano Berryman, and Rafael Narvaez; their signatures to the document before me marked No. 1 in 1835 and purporting to be the original title, approval and judicial permission, are genuine.

(Sg^d) Josi de la Rosa

U.S. Law Agent present

Sworn to and subscribed before me this
15th of Jan'y 1853,

Harry J Thurston
Com^r &

Filed in Office Jan'y. 15th 1853

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Deposition
of
Josi' de la Rosa
in case no.
493.

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San Francisco Jan'y. 15th 1853

On this day before Com^r. Harry
J. Thornton Esq^r Josi' de la Rosa
a witness in behalf of the Claimant
Jesfa P. Thompson, petition 493, and
was duly sworn, his evidence being in-
terpreted by the Secretary.

My name is Josi' de la Rosa
my age is 61 years; I reside in Sonoma
and have resided there 21 years, I know
the Rancho called "Napa" in Napa Valley
which was granted to Salvador Vallejo
in 1838. The grantee first occupied
it in 1838 or 9; he built a house on it
& corrals, had cattle and horses on it
and cultivated portions of the land. Since
the Americans took possession of the
Country he has sold portions of it to
various individuals.

I am acquainted with the signatures
of Juan B. Alvarado, Francisco Arce
Jacob P. Leve, Victor, Prudon, Damasco
A. Rodriguez, Narciso Bermejo &
Rafael Barrios; their signatures to
the documents before me marked no. 1
and purporting to be the original title
approval and judicial summons are
genuine.

Josi' de la Rosa
U.S. Law Agent present
Sworn to & subscribed before me this
15th Jan'y 1853

Harry J. Thornton

Com^r.

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Juzgado 1^o de
Sonoma

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Exhib. No. 1.
to the depo of
Joan de la Rosa
in No. 2195
H. J. G.

Expediente

Instruido p^a medir y dar posesion
de Cuatro Sitios de Ganado menor
en el Rancho de "Napa"

Al Capitan D. Salvador Gallego.

Lehen 8 de 1844.

Testigos de aser:

D. Victor Pardon
D. Damaso Rodriguez.

(Sello) El Ciudadano Juan P. Alvarado
Jefe polít. interino de la Alta California

Por cuanto D^o Salvador Gallego
ha pretendido para su beneficio personal
y el de su familia el terreno conocido con
el nombre de Elapa dentro de los límites
del diseño que acompaña a su solicitud
practicadas previamente las diligencias
concernientes según lo dispuesto por las
leyes y reglamentos de la materia usando
de las facultades que me son conferidas
a nombre de la Nación Mexicana he venido
en concederle el terreno mencionado decla-
rándole la propiedad de él por las presen-
tes entendiendo dicha concesión
con entera conformidad a las leyes a reser-
va de la aprobación o desaprobación
de la Excm^a Diputación y bajo las condi-
ciones siguientes.

1^a El agraciado, ni sus herederos podrán
dividir ni enajenar el que se le adjudica
imponerle censo, vínculo fianza, hipoteca
ni otro gravamen aunque sea por causa
pudorosa, ni pasarlo a manos muertas
2^a podrá cercarlo sin perjudicar las tra-
vecerías, caminos, y servidumbres; lo dispu-
tara libre y voluntariamente dedicándolo
al cultivo y usos que le acomode.

3^a Cuando se le conceda la propiedad
solicitará del juez Respectivo le de la posesión
jurídica en virtud de este despacho
por el cual se demarcarán sus límites
y pondrá sus molineras.

4^a El terreno de que se hace donación
es puramente el que se expresa en la

solicitud, del interesado y se demarca
en el Diseño, y el juez que lo poseiere pa-
sará aviso al este Gobierno del numero de
sitios que comprende.

En consecuencia mando
que sirviendole de titulo el presente
y teniendose por firme y Valedero se le
tome Razon en el Libro que corresponde
y se entregue al interesado para su resguardo
y demas fines convenientes.

En la Ciudad de Sta. Barbara a Quince
y uno de Septiembre de mil Ochocientos
treinta y Ocho.

Juan. B. Alvarado
Queda tomada Razon en el Libro respectivo
Frente. C. Ace. S. G.

El Ciudadano Juan. B. Alvarado, Jefe
politico interno de la Alta California

La Excmo. Asamblea Departamental
en sesion de hoy ha acordado lo siguiente.
Se aprueba la concesion hecha por el sup^{te}
Gobierno del Departamento en titulo libe-
do con fecha Quince y uno del corr^{te} en favor
del Ciudadano Salvador Vallejo del ter-
reno de Chapo con entera conformidad
con la Ley de 18 de Agosto de 1832 y el
Artto. 5^o del Reglamento de 21 de Noviem-
bre de 1828

Y para resguardo del interesa-
do lo hago asi saber.

En la Ciudad de Sta. Barbara
a Quince y tres de Septiembre de mil
Ochocientos treinta y Ocho.

Juan. B. Alvarado
Frente. C. Ace.
S. G.

Here follows,
Map

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Sello Tercero Dos Reales:

Habilitado provisionalmt^{te} por la Aduana
maritima del puerto de Monterey, en el
Departamento de las Californias, para
los años de mil Ocho cientos cuarenta
y mil Ocho cientos cuarenta y uno.

Alvaredo

Antonio M^{te} Osio

(Sello) Rehabilitado por la misma, para el
año de mil Ocho cientos cuarenta
y dos.

Alvaredo

Antonio Maria Osio

El que subscrite Secretario del
Gob^{no} del departamento de las Californias
Certifico q^{ue} el D^{is}eno que se demuestra
en el plieg^{ue} q^{ue} se acompaña es exactam^{te}
igual al Original, que existe en la secre-
taria de mi Cargo

Monterey julio 6. de 1842.

Man^{te} L^{ta} Imens.

Sello Cuarto. Dos Reales:

Habilitado provisionalmt^{te} por la Aduana
Maritima del puerto de Monterey en el
Departamento de las Californias para
los años de mil ocho cientos cuarenta y
cuatro y mil ocho cientos cuarenta y cinco

Micheltorena

Jabalo de la Guerra

(Sello) D^o Juez de 1^a instancia
Salvador Valles vecino de esta juris-
dicción dueño del Rancho de Chapala
como mejor proceda de d^{ho} ante V. parezo
y dijo q^{ue} como consta del título q^{ue} presenta

con la solemnidad y juram^{to}. neces^{ario}
tenpo en mi dho rancho cuatro sitios de
fincas mayores dentro de los linderos q^e
expresa dho titulo; y p^o que en todo tiempo
conste hasta donde llegaren dhos linderos
y si me perjudicaren alg^{un} de los circunve-
cinos o yo a estos suplico a V. se ordene
mandar q^e preeciendo las diligencias
acostumbradas de identidad lista
de Ofos y reconocim^{to}. et^o se proceda
con citacion de los circunvecinos a
las medidas de mis dhas tierras p^o cuyo
efecto nombro desde ahora y p^o cuando
el caso llegare p^o medidor a Paulino
Vasquez; Decimo de esta jurisdiccion
intelligent^e en esta materia y q^e los demas
que fueron interesados nombren p^o los suyos
dhos medidores y habiendolos hecho asi
los q^e nombren, y el referido Paulino Vasquez
p^o mi nombrado, aparezcan, acepten y firmen
y en su conformidad se proceda a
dhas medidas.

P. D. A. V. suplico que
habiendo p^o presentado dho documento
se sirva mandar hacer como llebo pedido
y q^e sea se me devuelvan dhos documentos
con las diligenc^{ias}. Originales q^e le hicieren
p^o en guarda de mi Dicho, este escrito
y todo lo necesario et^o

Donoma Febr^o 21 / 1844.
Salvador Vallejo

Quofado 1^o }
de } En el pueblo de Donoma a los
Donoma } cuatro dias del mes de Febr^o
se mil Ocho Ciento Cuarenta y cuatro
ante mi Jacobo P. Leese Alcalde de 1^{er}
instancia, nominacion de esta jurisdic^{ion}

se leyó la petición antecedente y vista la
Diligencia q. espresa y memo q. con citación de los
de su presentacion vecinos se haya informacion de
cion del me identidad vista de Qps y como cimita
morial. de otras tierras a q. estoy pronto a asistir
personalmt- asi lo provei, mande y firmé
con los de mi asse.

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Jacob. P. Leese

Asse
V^o - Jurador

De asistencia
Don. St. Rhoeliff

En el Espresado pueblo a los cuned
dias del mismo mes y año yo el referido
Declaracion Alcalde 1^o con los de Assist^o p^o - proce
del 1^o Testigo des a la informac^o de identidad hijo
Nazario Ber compareces ante mi al Ciudad^o Nazario
- rellesca, Berreyra; Vecino de Esta jurisdic^o
de Oficio Labrador y casado del cual
recibi juramt^o q. hizo por Dios y la señal
de su Cruz en forma a cargo del cual
prometio decir Verdad y siendo preguntado
p^o el conocimiento de las tierras y parages
terminos y linderos pertenec^o al Rancho
de Chapá: Dijo: q. hace diez años es vecino
de Esta jurisdiccion y sabe que las tierras
pertenec^o a dicho Rancho son de Capt^o
D. Salvador Valles y tiene p^o linderos al
N. E. el Rio de Chapá, al S. el Arroyo de
los Cameros, al N. O. el del Rancho de
Yinth y al S. E. el de Nicolas Hejnera
las cuales ha visto y reconocido varias
Vces y q. desde q. las posee el referido
D. Salvador Valles las ha labrado, culti
vado y han producido en ellas sus ganados
y p^o pruebas de lo q. tiene dicho. esta
pronto a ir a otras tierras (Dello enar to

Dos Reales. Habilitado provisionalmt.
por la Armada Maritima del Puerto
de Monterey, en el Departamento de la
California para los años de mil Ocho
cientos cuarenta y cuatro y mil Ocho
cientos cuarenta y cinco.

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Micheltrona hablo de la Buena
con el prest. juez y señalale los
penafes terminos y linderos donde
llegan y q. lo q. lleva dicho es la de
dallo p. el juramto q. tiene hecho en q.
se afirmo y ratifico. Declaro ser de cincuenta
y seis años de edad y no tocarle las penas
de la ley: Firmo conmigo y los de Asso
Jacob. P. Lee
Nasario Benellesa

D. Asso
Dam. A. Rhodtz # D. Asso
W. - puelon

En el mismo pueblo dia mes y año
Declaracion del yo el Referido Alcega de 1º hizo comparecer
D. Estefano ante mi y los de mi asistencia al cual
Rafael Chirvag Rafael Chirvag vecino de Esta jurisdic.
de Oficio Labrador del cual Recibí juramto
en forma de decir Verdad y siendo pregunta
do p. el conocimiento de las tierras y penafes
terminos y linderos pertenec. al Rancho
de Chapu dijo: que hace seis años es vecino
de Esta jurisdic. y sabe q. las tierras per-
tencen a dho Rancho son del Cap. D.
Salvador Vallejo y tiene p. linderos al
N. E. el Rio de Chapu al S. el Arroyo
de los Cameros al N. O. el del Rancho
de Smith y al S. E. el de Nicolas Higuera
las cuales ha visto y conocido varias
veces y q. desde que las posee el Referido
D. Salvador Vallejo, las ha labrado cultivado

y hem pasado en ellas sus ganados y p^o
puebas de lo q^d tiene dicho esta pronto a
ir a dhas tierras con el presente juez y
señalarle los parages terminos y linderos
donde llegam y q^d lo que lleva dicho es la
verdad por el juramt. q^d tiene hecho en
que se afirmo y ratifico. Declaro ser de cua-
renta y nueve años de edad no tener las
pales de la Ley y.

Jacobi P. Lee de

Rafael Canbez

Assar.

Assar

Dam: Sr. Rodrigo

vos pueden

Acto continuo hizo comparecer
ante mi y los de mi asst^o al ciudadano-

Helipe Gomez, vecino de Estu juiz de con

Declaracion del cual recibí juramt. en forma de
del 3^o Rey de en verdad y siendo preguntado por el Sr
Helipe Gomez juramt. de las tierras y parages terminos
y linderos pertenec^{tes} al Rancho de Chapu-
dip que hace cinco años habita en esta
frontera y sabe q^d las tierras pertenec^{tes}
a dho Rancho son del capitam D. Salvador
por linderos al Sr. Calleja, y tiene al Sr. Curvo de los Can-
Ch. Bel Rido n^o p^o neros al Sr. O. el del Rancho de Ymth
y al Sr. E. el de Chielas Higuera las cuales
ha visto y reconocido varias veces y que
desde q^d las posee el Referido D. Salvador
Calleja, las ha labrado, cultivado y hem pa-
cido en ellos sus ganados; y p^o prueba
de lo q^d tiene dho esta pronto a ir a dhas
tierras con el pres^{te} juez y señalarle los
parages, terminos y linderos donde llegam
y q^d lo que lleva dicho es la Verdad por el
juramt. que tiene hecho en que se afirmo
y Ratifico. Declaro ser de cincuenta

y dos años de edad; y no trearle las gales
de la Ley; y p^o no saber formar, hizo una
señal de Cruz de que doyp^o.

Jacob. P. Leese

Señor Felipe Gomez #

Assu

Assu

Don: A. Khodup

Don: Prudon

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Rello Cuarto Dos Reales:

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Marítima del puerto de Monterey en el
Departamento de las Californias para
los años de mil Ochocientos cuarenta
y cuatro y mil Ochocientos cuarenta
y cinco.

Michelarena # Pablo de la Guerra

Reconocim^{to} ^{del} Estando en el campo en el paraje
nombrado Arroyo de Chapu lindero
de Nicolas Higuera el día cinco de Julio
del prest^o año; yo el Alcalde 1^o actuando
p^o receptoria con dos testigos de Assu
p^o falta de Escribano públicos los testigos
p^o mi examinados prest^o el Cap^o D.
Salvador Vallejo, dueño de dichas tierras
y G. G. George Yuntz y Nicolas Higuera
colind^{tes} y vicin^{os} vecinos, procedi a ver
y reconocer las tierras de dho Rancho y
p^o mayor claridad puestas a caballo
en compañía de todos las partes y testi
gos referidos mandé a los susodichos me
senalaren los parajes, terminos y linderos
de ellas según las señales que han de cla
rado en sus disposiciones y en su confor
midad guiaron al d. hasta llegar al
arroyo de Los Carneros el q. me mostraron
y desde allí prosiguió el reconocimiento

y lista de Op de dhas tierras rumbo N.O
hasta llegar al Lindeo del Rancho de
Yunth, camino de arriba de alli con
tinuando N.N. O siguiendo el mismo
arroyo llegamos al camino de arriba
q. va p^a el Rancho de Yunth desde
donde me enseñaron una parte de
tierra intransitable, hasta llegar al
Lindeo de Yunth, desde donde tomamos
rumbo N.N.E. llegamos al Rio de Chapu
y bajando dicho rio rumbo S.E. llegamos
al arroyo de Chapu el cual subimos
siguiendo el rumbo S. hasta en contra
nos en el mismo punto de donde se
empezo el recono-cimiento y dijeron ser
todos los terminos y linderos de las espres
das tierras pertenec^{tes} a D. Salvador
Valles cuyos parafos y el referido Al-
calde 1^o vi y reconoci con los de mi Ass^{to}
testigos examinados y papeles presenta
dos; y cotejado con estos el referido re-
c^ono-cim^{to}. se veita la identifica
cion de las mencionadas tierras op^{tas}
y como lo declararon otros testigos; y
para q. conste se puso por diligencia
y lo firmé con los de mi Ass^{to} y demas
q. superior de q. doy fee.

Jacob. P. Reese

Nasario Beneyesa

Rafael Narbaez

D. Cass^{to}

Dam: A. Rhodg.

ass^{to}

U^o p^oudon

Eclipse Gomez

Inmediatam^{te} y el Alcalde 1^o
p^o proceder a las medidas contenidas
en estos autos, mando q. se notifique

Don D. Salvador Valles dueño de las
terras p^o q^o ratifique el nombramiento
Notificación de medidor como así mismo q^o de acuerdo
al interesado todos los colindantes nombren p^o su parte
p^o q^o. Ratifique el sup^o habiendo de ser intellip^o en materia
el nombram^o de medidas y los q^o fueren nombrados pa
de medida vean, acepten y puen, y hecho esto estoy
pronto a señalar día p^o otras medidas
así lo provei mened^o y firm^o con los de
mi assist^o

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De asistencia

Asso

Don: St. Rhoduz

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Des Prudon

En el mismo día mes y año yo el Alcalde
Ratificación 1^o lei y notifique el auto de su uso según
del nombram^o y como en el se contiene, al Cap^o D. Sal
de medida Salvador Valles y a sus colind^o en sus
personas q^o conozco, habiendolo oido y
entendido dijeron (Sello cuarto Dos Reales
Habilitado prov^o cionalm^o por la Aduana
Maritima del puerto de Monterey en el
departamento de la California para
los años de mil Ocho cientos cuarenta y
cuatro y mil Ocho cientos cuarenta y
cinco.

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Pablo de la Guerra

lo dyen y el primero dijo: que ratifica
Sello su nombram^o en el Cur^o Paulino
Blafquez y los segundos nombran a
Francisco Higuera ambos intellip^o y
de legalidad a quienes notifique parez
can acepten y puen, y a consecuencia
se proceda a otras medidas como esta
mandado y lo firmaron los q^o sup^o en
ante mi y los de Asso de q^o doyp^o.

Jaeb. P. Leese
Casimiro Benellesa
Paulino Vasquez +
Rafael Carbajal
Eclipe Gomez +

Deasos
Dnm. A. Rodriguez # Ve- puden

Inmediatamente yo el referido Alcalde
1.º lei y notifique el auto de su uso y
Notificacion nombramiento de medidores a los b. l. e
a los medidores paulino Vasquez y Francisco Higuera
y su premt. vecinos de Esta jurisdic. en sus personas
q.º conozco y habiendolos oido y entendido
dijeron q.º aceptan el Encargo de medidores
q.º se les confia y juran a D. A. J. y la
senal de la D. F. que usaran de su En-
cargopiel y legalmt.º segun su leal saber
y Entender y otras medidas la verifica-
ren con fidelidad y Exactitud como
es de su Obligacion ya satisfaccion
de todos los interesados y habiendo asi
respuesto lo formaron con miso y los de
Asos de q.º doy fe

Jaeb. P. Leese
Paulino Vasquez +
Deasos
Dnm. A. Rodriguez # Ve- puden

Asignacion
del dia de
las medidas

En seguida yo el referido juez ha-
biendolo visto la aceptacion y premt.º
hecho p.º los b. l. e. paulino Vasquez y Fran-
cisco Higuera nombrados p.º medidor
dije q.º p.º proceder a otras medidas asig-
naba y asigné el dia Ocho del prest.º mes
a los ocho de la Ramona y q.º se haga
saber asi a los mencionados medidores.

citandose al Efecto tambien a los en-
cumvecinos colindantes asi lo provei
mande y firme con los de Aso =

Jacob. P. Geese

Asso
Deaso
V^o Puelon # Don. A. Rodrig^o

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Inmediatam^{te} se hizo saber el auto
de antecedente a la parte interesada Cap^o
Notificacion D. Salvador Valles, a las mediciones Paulino
del auto anterior Vazquez y Jeremias Higuera y entendidos
dijeron q^e se dem^o por citados y lo firmaron
con el prest^o juez y los de Assis =

Jacob. P. Geese

Paulino Vazquez - J.

Deaso
Don. A. Rodrig^o assa
V^o Puelon

En el mismo dia mes y año se libaron
boletas de comparendo a los colind^{tes} C. C.
Libram^{to} de Jorge Yunta y Nicolas Higuera p^o q^e
boletos de comparezcan en el dia citado y a la hora
comparendo asignada en el mencionado remcho de napa
y p^o constancia lo firme con los de mi
Assis =

Jacob. P. Geese

Asso
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V^o Puelon # Don. A. Rodrig^o

En el Remcho de Napa a los Ocho
dias del mes de Feb^{ro} de mil Ochocientos
cuarenta y cuatro presente el capitán D.
Medida del Salvador Valles y en cumvecinos a otras
Bordel
terras, hizo comparecer ante mi y los de
mi asistencia a los C. C. Paulino Vazquez
y Francisco Higuera, mediciones nombrados
a quienes mande tomasen un Bordel de

hilo y midiesen cincuenta Varas con
Vara de medir de cuerda palmos castel
lanas y en efecto los referidos medidores en
mi presencia midieron en un cordel tor
cido (Sello Cuanto Dos Reales) (Hablita
do provincialmte por la Aduana ma
ritima del puerto de Monterey en el
Departamento de las Californias para
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y cuatro y mil Ocho cientos cuarenta
y cinco.

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y bien trado con V^o de medir castel
lanas mexicana y sellada el numero
dicho de cincuenta Varas; Lo q^d verifi
cacion fiel y legalmte a Vista y presencia
del interesado y circunvecinos y p^o
q^d con este mandato se ponga p^o diligencia
y se proceda a otras medidas como esta
mandado lo q^d certifique asi mismo firmen
dolo con los de mi Ass^o

Jacob. P. Leese

Asso.

De aso

De p^o Judic^o # Dam. A. Prochiz^o

Estrecho en el campo y tierras

Medida pertenec^o al Rancho de Chapu del Capn
del Rancho D. Salvador Valles hoy dia Ocho de Julio
de mil Ocho cientos cuarenta y cuatro
y el Alcalde 1^o de esta jurisd^o
actuando p^o receptoria con dos testigos
de assist^o p^o falta de Coescribenos publicos
presentes los. C. G. Paulino Lafquez y Fran
cisco Figueroa y mididores nombrados p^o
la parte interesada y colm^ote mande
procederem a la medida de cuatro
sitios de ganado mayor q^d por mas o menos
toem y pertenecen al Rancho dicho

segun el titulo y disenõ presentado en cumplimiento habiendole vuelto a medir y reconocer el Cordel desde principio a otra medida empezando p^o el Arroyo de Napa Lindero de Nicolas Figueroa desde donde siguiendo rumbo S hasta llegar al paso de abajo del arroyo de Las Carneros, se midieron cinco veinte Cordeles de cincuenta varas, q^o son seis mil varas. Allí levanto el interesado un monton de piedras en señal de la mohonera q^o pondria en efecto; de este punto, siguiendo la medida hacia el N.O. p^o todo el arroyo, hasta el Camino de arriba q^o va p^o Napa se contaron cinco veinte Cordeles (seis mil varas) y puso el interesado la Correspondiente señal para poner allí tambien la mohonera respectiva. Siguiendo el mismo arroyo N. N.O. hasta el Camino de arriba q^o va p^o el rancho de Yumuth se contaron noventa y dos Cordeles (cuatro mil suscientas varas) y no pudiendo pasar adelante p^o ser unas serranias intramitables se calculo a vista de ojo hasta el lindero de Yumuth, noventa Cordeles (diez mil varas) donde asi mismo puso otra señal p^o poner otra mohonera y continuando hacia el N. N. E. hasta el rio de Napa se midieron sesenta y cinco Cordeles (tres mil doscientas cincuenta varas) donde pondria igualmente q^o en las anteriores la Correspondiente mohonera. Bajando el mismo rio, rumbo S. E. hasta el arroyo de Napa, se midieron trescientos

Tres y medio Cordiles (quinze mil
Ciento setenta y cinco v.) puso la
Señal de mohonera y siguiendo el
mismo arroyo, rumbo O. llegamos
al punto de donde se dio principio
a las medidas y se contaron cuarenta
y dos Cordiles (dos mil seiscientas
varas de manera que dando por
concluida la medida del terreno que
comprende el rancho de Napa resulta
una circunferencia de cuarenta y siete
mil seiscientas veinte y cinco var.)
poco menos de lo q. corresponde a
cuatro sitios de ganado mayor; y de-
clararon los enunciados medidores estar
enterado el Cap.ⁿ D. Salvador Vallejo
de las tierras q. le corresponden, segun
el título y diseño q. se hallan a la
cabeza de este Exped.^{te}.

Por todo lo cual y en señal de verda-
dera posesion, y consensual acostumbrado
arrancó piedras y yerbas y tiró p.^a los
cuatro vientos, en manifestac.ⁿ de su legal
y legitima posesion q. tomó p.^a sí,
En consecuencia, mande q. p.^a mas
claridad de los linderos q. van expres-
ados, hiciere a su costa y manion unas
mohoneras de piedra

Sello Cuarto Dos Reales

Habilitado provisionalmente por la Aduana
Maritima del puerto de Monterey, en el de-
partamento de las Californias, para los
años de mil ochocientos cuarenta y cuatro
y mil ochocientos cuarenta y cinco.

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y Cal en altos de mas de vara
para q. en todo tiempo conste;

reconozcan, y queden por terminos y linderos de sus tierras, p^a lo demas circunscritos de ellas, y de haberse ejecutado dha medida quita y pacificam^{te} sin contradicciones de persona alguna. Lo pido p^a testimonio y yo el referido Alcalde 1^o con lo de mi casa lo doy de haber pasado como dicho es y q^e las referidas medidas han sido practicadas a todo el real saber y entender de los medidores, segun depusieron sin dolo fraude ni engano en contra de ninguna persona, y p^a mas seguridad y ratificacion del juram^{to} q^e tienen hecho firmaron conmigo y lo de mi an^a de q^e doy fe
Jacob P. Luse

Paulino Varquez x
De an^a

an^a
V^o. Prudon

Dam. A. Rodrig^z

En vista de hallarse concluido este Exped^{te} en q^e consta haberse dado posesion juridica del rancho nombrado Napiu a distancia de cuatro leguas de este pueblo al Cap^{ta} D.^o Salvador Valles q^e la tomo p^a si, Entreguese a la parte el original p^a los usos q^e le convengan, con los documentos q^e presenta. El Ciudad^o Jacobo P. Luse Alcalde 1^o de esta jurisdiccion actuando p^a recepsion con dos testigos de an^a p^a falta de Escribano publico, asi lo provi mande y firmé a doce de febrero de mil ochocientos cuarenta y cuatro.

Jacob P. Luse

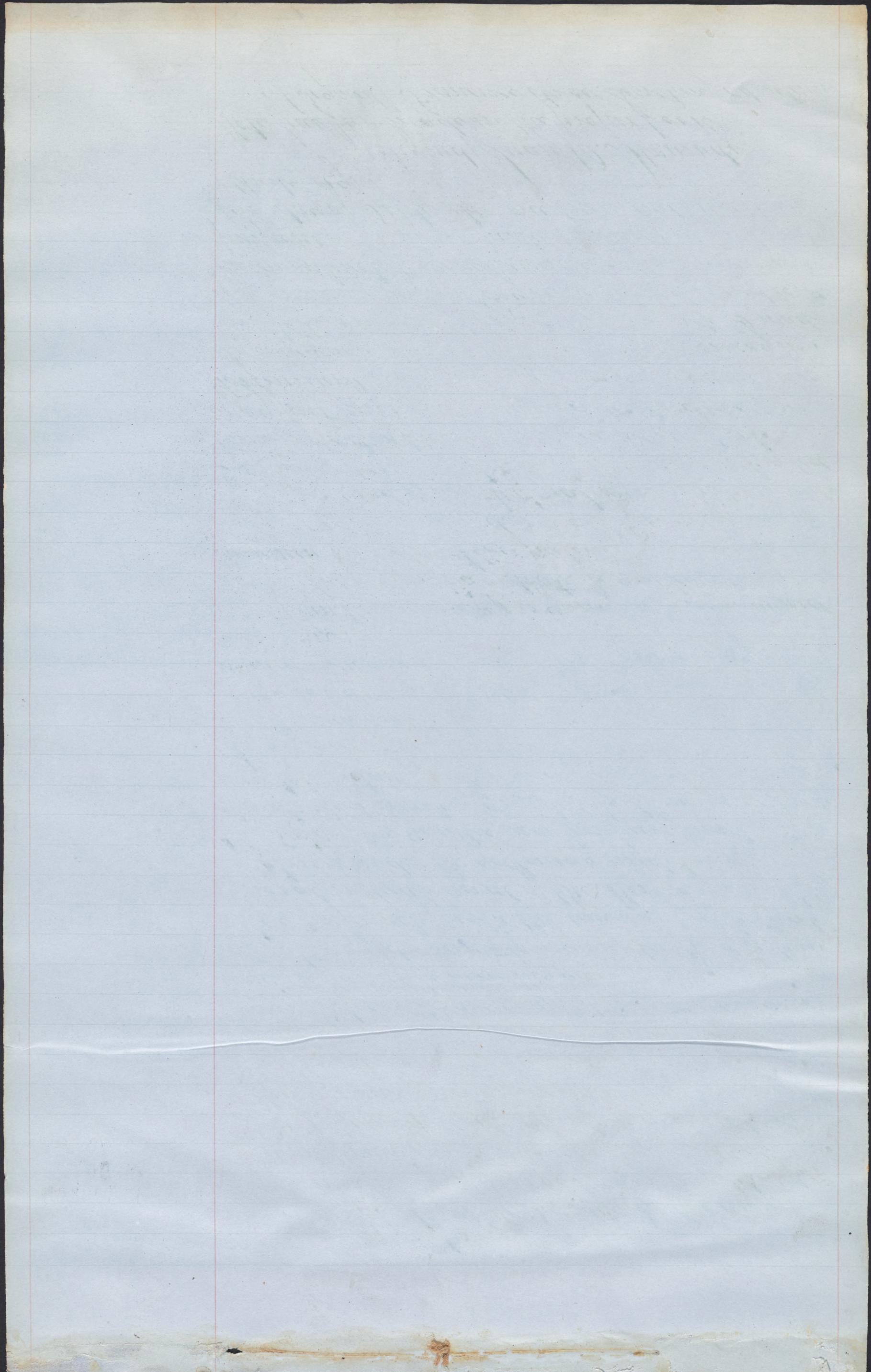
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del Exped^{te} al interesado



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Civil Government of Upper California

Citizen Juan B. Alvarado, Political Chief ad interim of Upper California.

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A Translation of which are conferred on me in the name of the Mexican Nation, I have granted him the aforesaid land, declaring to him the ownership of it by these presents - said grant being understood to be in virtue conformably with the laws subject to the approval or disapproval of the Most Excellent Deputations, & under the following conditions.

Whereas Salvador Vallejo has, for his own personal benefit & that of his family, petitioned for the land known by the name of Napa, within the boundaries of the mesa which accompanied his petition, the proper measures being previously taken as required by laws & regulations on the matter, using the powers of which are conferred on me in the name of the Mexican Nation, I have granted him the aforesaid land, declaring to him the ownership of it by these presents - said grant being understood to be in virtue conformably with the laws subject to the approval or disapproval of the Most Excellent Deputations, & under the following conditions.

1st Neither the grantee nor his heirs can divide or alienate that which is granted to them, subject it to any tax, entail, pledge, mortgage or other incumbrances for religious purposes, or convey it in mortmain.

2nd He may enclose it without prejudice to the crossing roads & servitudes, & enjoy it fully & exclusively, making such use & cultivation of it as may best suit him.

3rd When the ownership is granted to him, he will request the proper Magistrate to give him the judicial possession in virtue of this patent, by whom its boundaries will be marked out, & its bounds placed.

4th The land of which donation is made, is solely that described in the petition of the person interested & marked out on the map, & the magistrate who may put him in possession, will advise this Government of the number of square leagues it contains. In consequence I order that this present serving him for a title, & being held as firm & valid, note be made of it in the corresponding book & it be delivered to the person interested for his use & other convenient purposes. Given in Santa Barbara on the twenty first day of September, one thousand eight hundred & thirty eight.

(Signed) Juan B. Alvarado.

Note has been made in the proper book.

(Signed) Francisco Arce, Secretary, ad interim.

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Juan B. Alvarado, Political Chief ad interim of
Upper California

The Most Excellent Departmental
Assembly in session of this day has resolved the following
Approve the grant made by the Superior Government
of the Department, in title issued with date the twenty
first inst, in favor of Citizen Salvador Vallejo, of the
land of Napa, in entire conformity with the law of
August 18th 1832 & article 5th of the regulation
of November 21st 1828.

And for the security of the person interested I thus
make it known

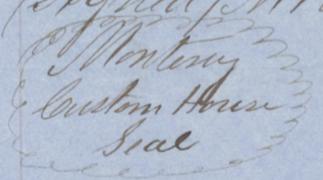
GIVEN in Santa Barbara on
the twenty third of September, one thousand eight
hundred & thirty eight.

(Signed) Juan B. Alvarado.
(Signed) Francisco Arce.
Secretary ad interim.

Stamp Fourth, Two Reales.

Provisionally authorized by the Maritime Custom House
of the Port of Monterey in the Department of the Califor-
nia, for the years eighteen hundred & forty four
& eighteen hundred & forty five.

(Signed) Micheltonna. (Signed) Pablo de la Guerra.



To the Magistrate of 1st Nomination
Salvador Vallejo, a

resident of this jurisdiction, owner of the rancho of
Napa, as I best may proceed in law, appear & say.
that as appears by the title which I present with
the necessary solemnity & oath, I have in my said
rancho four square leagues within the limits
mentioned in said title, & that it may in all time
appear how far said limits extend, & whether I
prejudice any of my neighbors or they me. I pray
you to have the goodness to order that, after taking
the customary measures of identity, viz & exam-
-ination &c, the measurement of my said lands
be proceeded to, the cofre dantes being summoned
for which purpose I appoint measurer now & for
when the time may arrive, Pauline Nasquez, a
resident of this jurisdiction & skillful in this matter,

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Let the other persons who may be interested appoint another measurer on their part & this being done let those they may appoint ^{and said Paulino was read by me appropriate} appear accept & take the oath & in due conformity therewith proceed to said measurements.

Whereupon I pray you that admitting this document you will be pleased to order that to be done which I have asked & being finished, that said document may be returned to me with the original official acts which may be made for the security of my right, this petition & whatever else may be necessary &c.

Sonoma February 4th 1844.

(Signed) Salvador Callejo.

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The presentation of the memorial.

First Court of Sonoma.

In the pueblo of Sonoma on the 4th day of the month of February one thousand eight hundred & forty four, before me, Jacob Pease Alcalde of 1st installation of this jurisdiction, the foregoing petition was read, & having been read I admitted it with the document it refers to, & I order that, summoning the colonos & informants be taken of identity, view & examination of said lands, at which I am ready to assist personally. I thus provided, ordered, & signed with those of my assistance. (Signed) Jacob Pease.

Act witnesses (Signed) Victor Bredon. Damian A. Rodriguez.

Declaration of 1st Witness Narciso Berrillera.

In the aforesaid pueblo on the 5th day of the same month the aforesaid first Alcalde, with those of my assistance, in order to proceed to the information of identity, caused to appear before me citizen Narciso Berrillera, a resident of this jurisdiction, by occupation a labourer, & married, of whom I received an oath which he made by God our Lord & the sign of the cross in form, under which he promised to speak the truth, & being asked for the knowledge (he may have) of the lands, place, termination & boundaries pertaining to the rancho of Napa, he said: that for ten years he has been a resident of this jurisdiction & knows that the lands pertaining to the Rancho of Napa, are (the property) of the Captain Don Salvador Callejo & have for boundaries on the N.E. the river of Napa, on the South the Arroyo de los Carreros, north West the rancho of Yumb, South East that of Nicolas Heiguera the which

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he has seen & examined on various occasions, & that since the said Don Salvador Vallejo has possessed them he has worked & cultivated them, & his cattle have pastured on them, & for the proof of that what he has said, he is ready to go to the said lands with the present magistrate & point out to him the places, terminations & boundaries, how far they extend; & that what he has said is true by the oath which he has made, which he affirms & ratifies. He declared that he was fifty six years of age, & that the legal exceptions do not effect him. He signed with me & those of my assistance, assisting witnesses (Signed) Jacob P. Leece. (Signed) Damaso A. Rodriguez. (Signed) Narciso Bonelles. (Signed) Victor Brandon.

Declaration of
2^d Witness
Rafael Narvaez.

In the same day, month & year, I the said J^t Alcalde caused to appear before me & those of my assistance citizen Rafael Narvaez, a resident of this jurisdiction by occupation a laborer of whom I received an oath in form, to speak the truth, & being asked for the knowledge which he has of the lands & places, terminations & boundaries pertaining to the Rancho of Napa, he said that he has been for six years a resident of this jurisdiction & knows that the lands pertaining to said Rancho are of the Captain Don Salvador Vallejo & that for its boundaries, on the north East the river of Napa, on the South the arroyo of Los Carreros, on the North West that of the rancho of Yuruth, on the South East that of Nicolas Higuera, which he has seen & examined several times, & that since the said Don Salvador Vallejo has possessed them, he has worked & cultivated them & his cattle have pastured on them, & for the proof of that which he has said, he is ready to go to said lands with the present magistrate & point out to him the terminations, places & boundaries, how far they extend, & that what he has said is true by the oath which he has made which he affirms & ratifies. He declared that he was forty nine years of age, & that the legal exceptions do not affect him.

Assisting Witnesses. (Signed) Jacob P. Leece. (Signed) Damaso A. Rodriguez. (Signed) Rafael Narvaez. (Signed) Victor Brandon.

Declaration of 3^d
Witness Felipe Gomez

In continuation I caused to appear before me & those of my assistance, citizen Felipe Gomez, resident of

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this jurisdiction of whom I received oath in due form, to speak the truth, & being asked for the knowledge of the lands & places, terminations & boundaries pertaining to the rancho of Napa, he said: that he has lived on this frontier for five years, & knows that the lands pertaining to said rancho are of the Captain Don Salvador Vallejo & it has for boundaries on the north east the river of Napa, south the arroyo de los Carreros, north west that of the ^{Rancho} of Guntz, & south east by that of Nicolas Higuera, the which he has seen & examined several times & that since the said Salvador Vallejo has possessed them he has worked & cultivated them, & his cattle have pastured on them, & for the proof of that which he has said he is ready to go to the said lands with the present magistrate & point out to him the places, terminations & boundaries, how far they extend, & that what he has said is true by the oath which he has made, which he affirmed & ratified. He declared that he was fifty two years old, & that the legal exceptions do not affect him, & not knowing how to write he made a sign of the cross to which I certify, as my witnesses.

Damaso A. Rodriguez. Jacob P. Lese.
Victor Pineda. Felipe Gomez. +

Examination.

Being in the fields in the place named Arroyo de Napa, the boundary of Nicolas Higuera, the fifth day of February of the present year, I the 1st Alcalde, acting in virtue of my office, with two assisting witnesses firward of a Notary Public, the witnesses by me examined present Captain Don Salvador Vallejo, owner of said lands, & citizens George Guntz & Nicolas Higuera, colonists & neighbors, I proceeded to see & examine the lands of said Rancho, & for greater clearness, being on horseback in company with all the parties & witnesses aforesaid, I ordered the aforesaid (witnesses) to point out to me the places, terminations & boundaries of them according to the signs which they have declared in their depositions & in conformity therewith they led the way to the south until they reached the Arroyo de los Carreros, which they showed me & thence returned the termination & line of said lands in a direction north west to the boundary of the rancho of Guntz, the upper road, thence continuing N. W. W. following the same Arroyo we reached the upper road which goes to the rancho

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of Yumth, from which place they pointed out to me an impassable tract of land as far as the boundary of Yumth - whence - taking the direction N. N. E. we reached the river of Napa, & going down said river, came S. E. reached the Arroyo of Napa, which we ascended following the direction West, until we found ourselves in the same point where the examination was commenced, & they said these were all the terminations & boundaries of the aforesaid lands pertaining to Don Salvador Vallejo, which places, & the said Alcalde saw & examined with those of my assistance, the witnesses examined, & papers produced, & the said examinations being compared with the latter the identification of said lands proves to be certain, according to the declarations of said witnesses, & in testimony it was officially noted, & signed it with those of my assistance, & others who knew him, to which I certify as my witnesses.

Damaso G. Rodriguez. Victor Pundon. Jacob P. Seese. Narciso Bonilla. Rafael Naray. Felipe Gomez.

Notification to Immediacy I, the 1^o Alcalde in order to proceed the person interested to the measurements referred to in these acts, I order to ratify the appointment of measurers, as also that all the colindantes by common consent appoint theirs on their part, they having to be skillful in matters of measurements, & that those who may be appointed appear, accept & take the oath & this being done, I am ready to appoint a day for said measurements, I thus provided, ordered & signed with those of my assistance.

Asisting Witnesses
Damaso A. Rodriguez. Victor Pundon. Jacob P. Seese.

Ratification of the On the same day, month, & year I the 1^o Alcalde appointment of said & made known the act referring to them, as it there appears, to Captain Don Salvador Vallejo & his colindantes, in their persons, which I know, & having heard & understood it, they said that they heard it, & the first said that he ratifies his appointment of Citizen Paulino Vasquez, & the latter appoint Francisco Figueroa, both skillful & legally appointed.

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whom I notified to appear, accept & take the oath & in consequence proceed to said measurements as is ordered, & those signed it with me who knew how before me & those of assistance to which I certify.

Assisting Witnesses
Damaso A. Rodriguez. Victor Pando. Jacob P. Seese. Paulino Nasquez + Nazario Berdellera. Rafael Navarra. Felipe Gomez.

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Notification to the measurers & their oath.

Immediately the aforesaid M^r Alcalde, read & made known the act referring to them & their appointment to citizens Paulino Nasquez & Francisco Nigura, residents of this jurisdiction, in their persons which I know, & having heard & understood it, they said that they accept the office of measurer which is entrusted to them & they make oath by God our Lord & the sign of the holy cross, that they will use their office faithfully & legally, to the best of their knowledge & understanding, & will verify said measurements with fidelity & exactness, as is their obligation, to the satisfaction of all those interested, & having thus replied, they signed it with me & those of assistance to which I certify.

Assisting Witnesses. Jacob P. Seese. Paulino Nasquez. Damaso A. Rodriguez. Victor Pando.

Designation of the day for the measurements.

In continuation of the aforesaid Magistrate, having seen the acceptance & oath made by citizens Paulino Nasquez & Francisco Nigura, appointed measurers, I said that in order to proceed to said measurements I was designating & I designated the 8th day of the present month at 8 o'clock in the morning & that it be made known to the said measurers, also summoning for that purpose the neighbors bounding on him, & thus provided, ordered & signed with those of my assistance.

Assisting Witnesses. Jacob P. Seese. Damaso A. Rodriguez. Victor Pando.

Notification of the foregoing act.

Immediately the foregoing act was made known to the party interested, Captain Don Salvador Valls, to the measurers Paulino Nasquez & Francisco Nigura, & having understood it they said that they consider themselves summoned, & they signed it with the present magistrate & those of assistance.

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assisting witnesses

Damaso A. Rodriguez

Nictor Pardon

Jacob P. Seese

Paulino Vasquez

Issuing of written
summons.

On the same day, month & year, written summons
were issued to citizens George Gunst & Nicolas Niquera
to appear on the day aforesaid at the designated hour
in the said rancho of Napa & in testimony I signed it
with those of my assistance.

assisting witnesses

Damaso A. Rodriguez

Nictor Pardon

Jacob P. Seese

Measurement of
the cordel

In the rancho of Napa on the 8th day of the month
of February, eighteen hundred & forty four, present Captain
Don Salvador Vallejo & the neighbors to said lands, I
called to appear before me & those of my assistance,
citizens Paulino Vasquez & Francisco Niquera, measurers
appointed, where I ordered to take a cordel of hemp &
measure off fifty varas with a vara measure of four
Castilian palms, in effect, the said measurers, in my
presence marked off the aforesaid number of fifty varas
on a cordel, twisted & well stretched, with a stamped
Mexican, Castilian vara measure, which was done
faithfully & legally, in the sight & presence of the party
interested & neighbors, & in testimony I order it to be
recorded officially, & that said measurements be proce-
ded to as is ordered, to which I certify - also signing
it with those of my assistance.

Assisting witnesses

Damaso A. Rodriguez

Nictor Pardon

Jacob P. Seese

Measurement
of the Rancho

Being in the fields & lands belonging to the rancho of
Napa, of the Captain Don Salvador Vallejo, this 8th
day of February 1844, I, the 1st Alcalde of this jur-
isdiction, acting in virtue of my office with two as-
sisting witnesses for want of a Notary Public, present
Citizens Paulino Vasquez & Francisco Niquera, meas-
urers appointed by the party, interested & colindantes
I ordered them to proceed to the measurement of four
square leagues which, a little more or less, belong & pertain
to the rancho aforesaid, according to the lotte & map
presented, in obedience to which having again measured
& examined the cordel, they commenced said mea-
surements, beginning at the Arroyo of Napa -

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boundary of Nicolas Niquera, from which place following a Southernly direction to the lower pass of the arroyo de los Cameros, they measured one hundred & twenty cordels of fifty varas each. Then the person interested raised a pile of stones as a sign for the landmark which he would place, from this place continuing the measurement towards the N.W. along the Arroyo to the upper road which goes to Napa, one hundred & twenty cordels (six thousand varas) were measured & the interested placed the corresponding marks in order to fix those the respective bound. Following the same Arroyo N.W. to the upper road which goes to the rancho of Yumth ninety two cordels (four thousand six hundred varas) were counted, & not being able to pass forward because it is an impassable mountain range, it was estimated by eye that there were two hundred cordels (ten thousand varas) to the boundary of Yumth, where he also placed another mark to fix another bound, & continuing towards the N.E. to the river of Napa sixty five cordels (three thousand two hundred & fifty varas) were measured where he placed, as in the former points, the corresponding bounds. - Going down the same river course S.E. to the arroyo of Napa, three hundred three & a half cordels (fifteen thousand one hundred & seventy five varas) were measured, he placed there the mark for a bound & following the same Arroyo W. we came to the point where the measurement was commenced & they counted fifty two cordels (two thousand six hundred varas) so that considering as finished the measurement of the land included in the rancho of Napa, there results a boundary of forty seven thousand, six hundred & twenty five varas a little less than that which corresponds to four square leagues & the aforesaid measures declared that Captain Don Salvador Nallejo was informed of the lands which corresponded to him according to the title & map which are found at the head of this expediente. For all which & in sign of true possession and a customary ceremonial, he pulled up grass & stones, & threw to the four winds, in manifestation of his legal & legitimate possession which he formally took. - In consequence I ordered that for greater clearness of the boundaries which have been described he should form at his own cost & expense, bounds

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of masonry, in height more than a vara, that in all
 time it may appear, they be recognized & remain as
 limits & boundaries of his lands. by the other neighbors
 thereto, & that said measurements were executed exactly
 & peacefully without contradiction of any person he pray-
 ed for a testimony & I, the aforesaid 1st Alcalde, give
 it with those of my assistance, that all passed as has been
 said, & that said measurements have been executed to
 the best of the knowledge & understanding of the measure
 as they deposed, without craft, fraud or deceit against any
 person, & for greater security & the ratification of the
 acts which they have made they signed with me & those
 of my assistance, to which I testify.

Assisting Witnesses. Jacob P. Leese.
 Damaso A. Rodriguez.
 Victor Pindora.

act of the delivery In view of this expediente being concluded in which
 of the expediente it appears that judicial possession of the rancho nam-
 to the person in - ed Napa, distant four leagues from this pueblo has been
 granted given to Captain Don Salvador Vallijo who took it in
 person, let the original be delivered to the party for the
 uses he may find convenient, together with the docu-
 ment which he presented.

Citizen Jacob P. Leese 1st Alcalde of
 this jurisdiction, acting in virtue of my office with
 two assisting witnesses for want of a Notary Public
 thus provided, ordered, & signed on the 12th of February
 1844.

Assisting Witnesses Jacob P. Leese.
 (Sgd) Damaso A. Rodriguez.
 (e) Victor Pindora.

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Sepan todos por las presentes que yo Salvador Vallejo del Estado de California, en el condado de Sonoma, en consideracion de ochocientos pesos, à mi pagados por Lyman Bartlett del mismo condado y Estado suso dichos, cuyo recibo se reconoce por la presente doy por esta, otorgo, trato cuido y transfere a dicho Lyman Bartlett y a sus herederos, cierto terreno situado en el Condado de Napa, limitado y descrito como sigue à saber: en la orilla del Norte del arroyo de los Cuerneros / la orilla sur, del mismo arroyo serviendo de limite para el rancho de Napa, ó rancho Viejo, entre los terrenos de Prudon, al Este y de Guignore al Oeste y limitado al Norte por las tierras de Salvador Vallejo en esto cuanto una milla, es decir por todo una milla Cuadrada ó Seiscientos Cuarenta acres. Dicho terreno con todas sus pertenencias por ser para siempre la propiedad de dicho Lyman Bartlett, herederos ó asignatarios de manera que dicho Lyman Bartlett, sus herederos ó asignatarios. y por la consideracion suso dicha, así como otras consideraciones valiosas, yo Luz Cavillo, esposa de dicho Salvador Vallejo por la presente con todas sus derechos y reclamos à dicho terreno de cualquiera naturaleza que sean presentes y futuras, y me desprendo de ellos à favor de dicho Lyman Bartlett sus herederos y asignatarios.

En testimony de lo cual, nosotros, Salvador Vallejo y Luz Cavillo hemos puesto nuestras firmas y sello à las presentes este dia veinte y tres de Enero del año de mil ochocientos Cuarenta y uno. en la Ciudad de Sonoma ut supra.

Otorgado en presencia de

D. S. Rega.

Salvador Vallejo.

2º testigos

M^a Luz Cavillo.

José de la Posa.

State of California $\frac{2}{3}$
 County of Sonoma $\frac{3}{3}$ On the 24th day of January
 A. D. 1851, before me the undersigned County Clerk

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of Sonoma County, personally appear Salvador Vallejo, who is personally known to me, as the person who executed the foregoing Instrument, who acknowledged to me that he executed the same freely & voluntarily for the uses & purposes therein mentioned.

Given under my hand with private seal
(seal) affixed (there being no seal of office yet provided) this 24th day of January A.D. 1851.

John Hendley
Clerk.

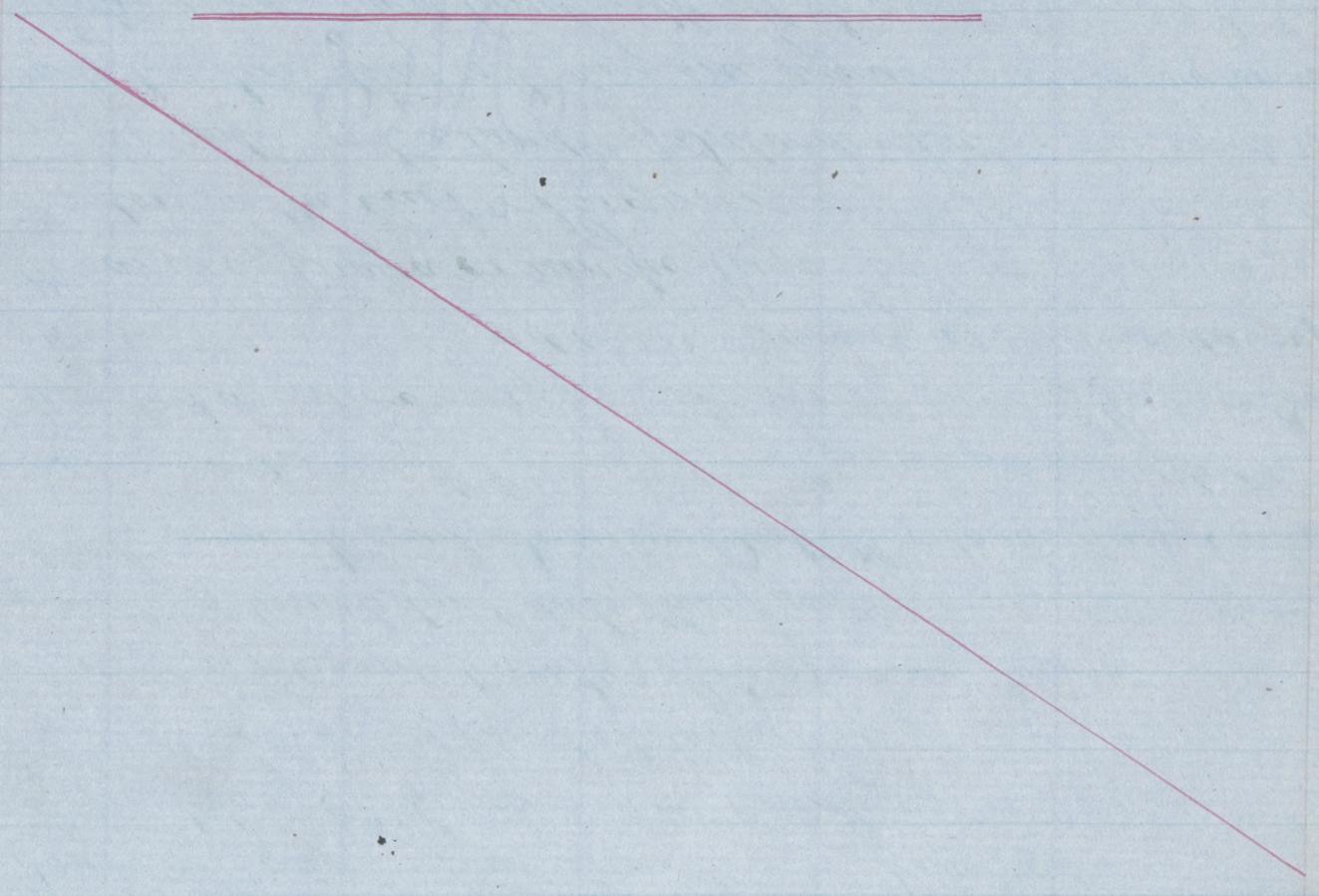
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M. H. N. Kendig
Recorder Napa Co.
By P. D. Bailey. Deputy.

(Fee-paid).

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Translation
Conveyance of
Salvador Vallejo's wife to
S. Bartlett.

Know all men by these presents that I, Salvador Vallejo of the state of California, in the County of Sonoma, in consideration of eight hundred dollars to me paid by Seymour Bartlett of the same County & State aforesaid, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, do by these presents give, grant, bargain, sell & convey to said Seymour Bartlett & to his heirs, a certain tract of land situated in the County of Napa, bounded & described as follows, viz: "on the north bank of Camero Creek (the south bank of said Camero serving as the boundary of the rancho of Napa or rancho Viejo, between the lands of Poudon on the East & Prigmore on the West, & bounded on the north by the lands of Salvador Vallejo, one mile on each direction, that is to say one square mile or six hundred & forty acres," said land with all its appurtenances to be forever the property of said Seymour Bartlett, his heirs or assigns, whosoever I and myself, my heirs & assigns, so that said Seymour Bartlett, his heirs & assigns shall enjoy the full & free possession of said land, which by these presents he is bound to defend against every legal claim or demand of any person in favor of said Seymour Bartlett his heirs & assigns. And for the consideration aforesaid as also for other valid considerations I, Suz Carrillo, wife of said Salvador Vallejo, by these presents transfer all my rights & claims to said land, of whatsoever nature, present & future, & give them up in favor of said Seymour Bartlett, his heirs & assigns.

In testimony of which, we Salvador Vallejo & Suz Carrillo, have placed our hands & seals to these presents, this twenty third of January of the year One thousand eight hundred & fifty one, in the city of Sonoma as above.

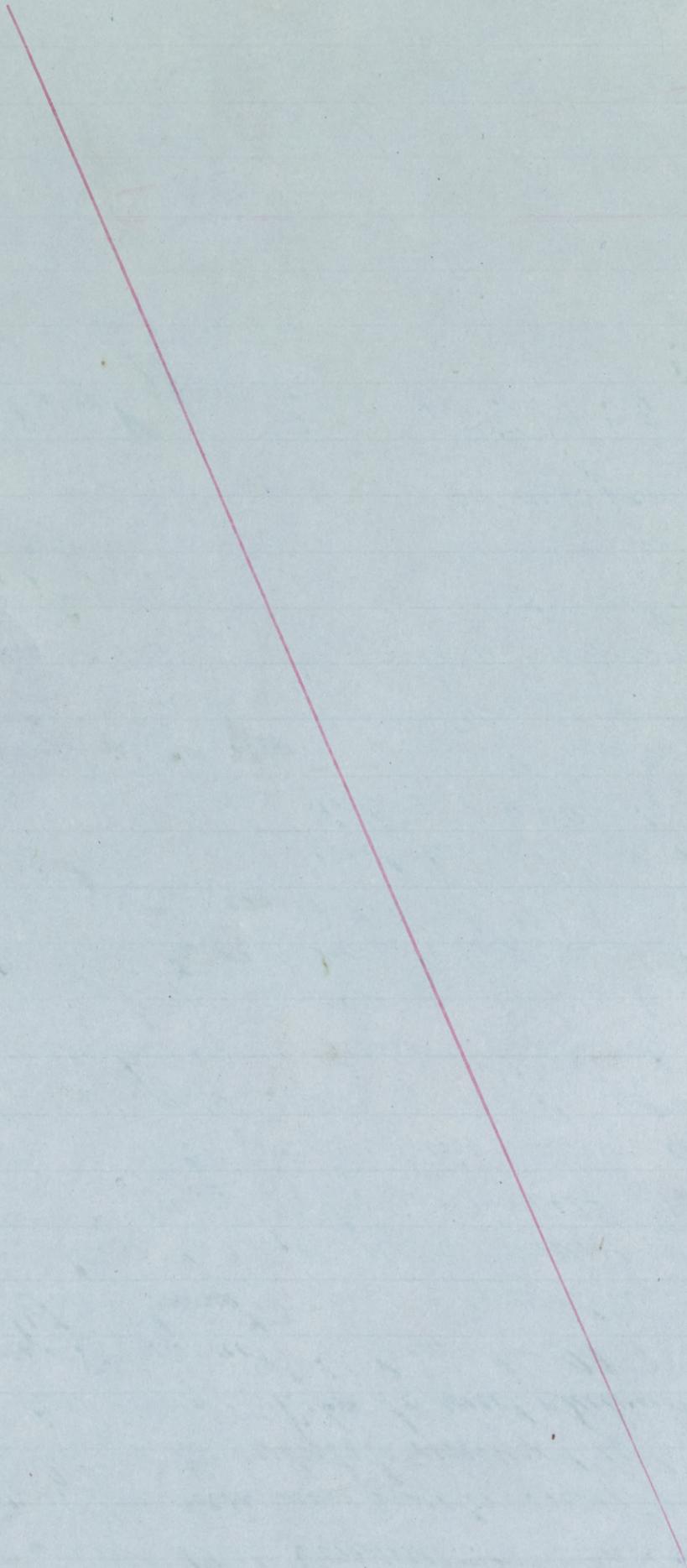
(Signed) Salvador Vallejo (Seal)
(Signed) M^o Suz Carrillo. (Seal)

Delivered in presence of
(Signed) Fred. G. Berger.

2^d Witness (Signed) Josi de la Rosa.

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For a tract of land contain-
ing 640 acres, part of the
place called Napa, in the
County of Napa.

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Opinion by Comr
Alpheus Felch.

The claimant alleges title in a
portion of the Rancho called Napa by virtue of a deed
made to him of the premises described in the petition
by Salvador Vallejo, the original grantee of Napa.
By stipulations filed in the case, signed by the as-
sociate Law Agent & the Attorney for the claimant
it is agreed that two depositions of José de la Rosa, one
filed in case No 493, & the other in case No 300, pen-
ding before this Commission shall be read as testi-
mony in the case now under consideration. These
depositions & the exhibits annexed to them, prove a grant
of the Rancho of Napa to said Salvador Vallejo by
Governor Alvarado, December 21 1838; the approval
of the Departmental Assembly on the second day there-
after & the acts of judicial possession & measurement
on the 8th day of February 1844. They also show
that the grantee occupied the premises granted in 1838
or 1839, built a house on the land, had cattle & horses
on it & cultivated portions of the land. The proofs seem
ample to show the right of Vallejo to the land, and to
enable him to convey the premises to a third person.
The claimant derives title to the premises described in
his petition from said Vallejo by deed which is given
in evidence & bears date the 23rd day of January
1851. The premises described therein are proved to
be within the limits of the grant to Vallejo.
The claimant is entitled to a confirmation according
to the description of the land contained in the
deed to him.

Claim confirmed.

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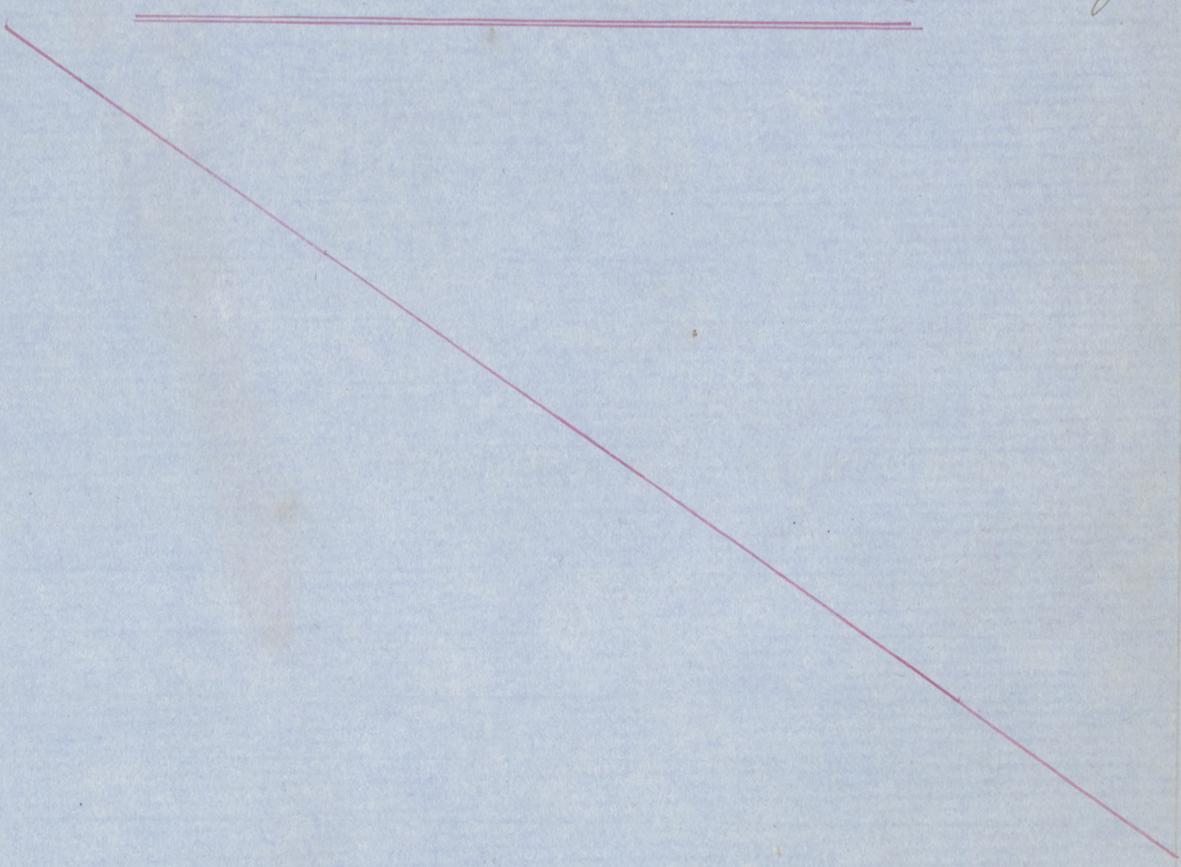
In this case on hearing the proofs & allegations it is adjudged by the Commission that the said claim of the petitioner is valid, & it is therefore decreed that the same be confirmed. The land of which confirmation is hereby made is a part of the place known by the name of Napa, situated in Napa County which was granted to Salvador Vallejo by Governor Alvarado, the premises hereby confirmed being bounded & described as follows viz: on the North bank of Carrizo Creek / the South bank of said Arroyo, running as the boundary of the Rancho of Napa or Napa / between the lands of Pruden on the East & Wigmore on the West & bounded on the North by the lands of Salvador Vallejo one mile in each direction; that is to say one square mile or six hundred & forty acres of land.

Alphens Felch. 1
Thompson Campbell. 3
W. Aug. Thompson. 3 Commissioners.

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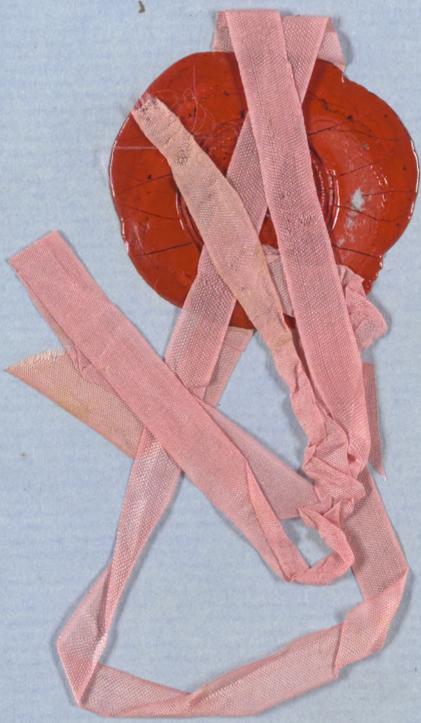


Office of the Board of Commissioners,

To ascertain and settle the Private Land Claims in the State of California.

I, *George Fisher*, Secretary to the Board of Commissioners to ascertain and settle the Private Land Claims in the State of California, do hereby certify the foregoing *Twenty-five* — pages, numbered from 1 to *25*, both inclusive, to contain a true, correct and full Transcript of the Record of the Proceedings and of the Decision of the said Board, of the Documentary Evidence and of the Testimony of the Witnesses, upon which the same is founded, on file in this Office, in Case No. *734* on the Docket of the said Board, wherein *Lynnman Bartlett* is

the Claimant against the United States, for the place known by the name of *"Kapa"*



In Testimony Whereof, I hereunto set my hand and affix my private Seal (not having a Seal of Office) at San Francisco, California, this *Twenty third* — day of *August* A. D. *1854*, and of the Independence of the United States of America the seventy=*eightth*.

Geo. Fisher
G. Fisher
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U. S. DISTRICT COURT,
Northern District of California.

No. 66-111

THE UNITED STATES,

vs.

Lynn, Bartlett

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TRANSCRIPT OF THE RECORD
FROM THE
BOARD OF U. S. LAND COMMISSIONERS,
In Case No. 734,

Filed, August 3^d, 1854
John A. Monroe,
Clk.

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Office of the Attorney General of the United States,

Washington, 30th November 1854.

Lyman Bartlett

vs.

The United States

} 734.

You will please take notice that in the above case, decided by the Commissioners to ascertain and settle private land claims in the State of California in favor of the claimant, and a transcript of the proceedings in which was received in this office on the 18th day of August 1854 the appeal in the district court of the United States for the Northern district of California will be prosecuted by the United States.

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Attorney General.

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U. S. District Court

Northern District

The United States

vs -

Sydney Bartlett

Appeal Notice -

Filed Jan'y 8. 1855.

John A. Monroe,

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To the Honorable District Court of
the United States in and for the
Northern District of California.

The United States
Appellants
vs
Seymour Bartlett
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The Petition of the United States by their
Attorney represents that this cause is
an Application for a review of the
decision of the Board of Commissioners
whereby the claim of the said Appellee
was confirmed as appears by reference
to the records in the case:

That a transcript of the said Records
was filed in this Court on the 1st
day of Aug 1832 & that a notice of
appeal was filed on the 1st day of
Aug. 1832. and that the land claimed
lies in the said District.

That the said claim is invalid.
Wherefore Appellants pray that the
said decision of the Board be
reversed & that this Court deem the
said title to be invalid:

Respectfully &c — A. Massell
Asst U.S. Atty

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U.S. Dist. Court

The U.S. States

vs

Lynida Bartlett

Petitioner

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In the United States District Court for the
Northern District of California.

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The United States, appellants } Transcript No 734.
vs. }
Lyman Bartlett, appellee } Answer of appellee

Lyman Bartlett, the appellee in the
above entitled cause, appears by his Attorneys
and for answer to the petition of the United
States filed herein, says.

That his title to one square mile,
six hundred and forty acres of the Tract
of Land or Rancho called "Napa", as set
forth and described in his petition to the
Board of Commissioners and in the documents
and other evidence filed in this case, is
a good and valid title. The land claimed
is situated in the Northern District of Califor-
nia and within the jurisdiction of this court.

Wherefore he prays this Honorable Court
to affirm the decision of the Board of
Commissioners and to decree his title to be
valid.

Hallam Peachey & Billings
Atty for appellee.

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United States District Court
Northern Dist of Cal.

The United States, Appellant
vs.
Lyman Bartlett, Appellee

Answer of Appellee

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Halluk Peachy & Billings.
Atty for Appellee

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In the United States district court for the
Northern District of California.

Stated Term.

The United States, Appellants } April 21, 1856,
vs } Transcript No 734.
Lyman Bartlett, Appellee }

On appeal from the final decision of the Board
of Commissioners to ascertain and settle Private
Land claims in the State of California.

Decree.

This cause came on to be heard at a stated
term of the court on appeal from the final
decision of the Board of Commissioners to ascertain
and settle Private Land claims in the State
of California under the act of Congress
approved on the 3^d of March A.D. 1851,
upon the Transcript of the proceedings
and decision of the said Board of Com-
missioners, and the papers and evidence
on which the said decision was founded,
and it appearing to the court that the
said Transcript has been duly filed according
to law, and counsel for the respective
parties having been heard it is by the
court hereby ordered, adjudged and
decreed that the said decision be and
the same is hereby in all things affirmed,
and it is likewise further ordered,
adjudged and decreed that the claim
of the appellee is a good and valid
claim, and that the said claim be, and

the same is hereby confirmed to the extent and quantity of six hundred and forty acres, being the same land described in the deed of conveyance from the original grantee to the claimant, and of which possession was proved to have been long enjoyed; Provided that the said quantity of six hundred and forty acres now confirmed to the claimant be contained within the boundaries called for in said conveyance to the claimant by original grantee, and within the boundaries called for in the original grant and the map to which the grant refers; and if there be less than that quantity within the said boundaries, then we confirm to the claimant that less quantity.

By the Court
H. S. Dick Judge

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In the U.S. Dist Court
Northern Dist of Cal

The United States, appellants
vs.
Leyman Bartlett, appellee

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W. D. Chivers,
Deputy Clerk

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At a Stated Term of the District Court of the
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, for the Northern District of
California, held at the Court Room, in the City of SAN FRANCISCO,
on *Thursday* the *second* day of
April in the year of our Lord one thousand
eight hundred and fifty-seven.

Present:

The Honorable OGDEN HOFFMAN, District Judge.

The United States
v
Lyman Bartlett.

D. C. 116; L. C. 734.

The Attorney General
of the United States having given notice
that appeal will not be prosecuted
in this case; and a stipulation to
this effect having been entered into
by the U. S. Attorney:

On motion of the
District Attorney it is ordered adjudged
and decreed that claimant have
leave to proceed under the decree of
this Court heretofore rendered in his
favor, as under Final Decree.

Ogden Hoffman
U. S. Dist. Judge

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United States District Court, Northern
District of California.

The United States

vs.

Lapman Bartlett

ORDER.

vacating appeal

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John Monroe CLERK.

By *W. A. Chivers* DEPUTY.

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California Land Claim.
Attorney General's Office
29 Jan'y 1857.

Sir,
In the case of the claim of Ed-
ward Bartlett, confirmed to the claim-
ant by the Commissioners, Case no. Seven
hundred and thirty four, (734), appeal
will not be prosecuted by the United
States.

I am,
Respectfully,
Clement

Wm. Blauding Esq
U. S. Attorney
San Francisco.

In the District Court of the U.S.
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Lyman Bartlett

} D. C. 66: L. C. 724.

In pursuance of a notice
from the Attorney General of the United States,
herewith annexed, it is hereby stipulated and
agreed that no further appeal be taken in
this case on the part of the United States;
and that claimant have leave to proceed
under the decree of this Court heretofore
rendered in his favor, as under Final Decree.

San Francisco April 2nd, 1857

Wm Blanding
Dist Atty

Hallam Peckham & Billings
Attys for claimant

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U. S. Dist Court

The United States

vs
Lyman Bartlett

Stipulation

Filed April 2^o 1857
W. A. Chevers,
Deputy.

Office of the Board of Commissioners,

To ascertain and settle the Private Land Claims in the State of California.

San Francisco, August 23^d 1854

John A. Monroe Esq.

Clerk of the U. S. District Court for the
Northern District of California.

Sir;

I herewith transmit you, pursuant to the requirements of the Act of Congress, approved August 31st, 1852, a Transcript of the Record of the Proceedings and of the Decision of this Board, of the Documentary Evidence and of the Testimony of the witnesses upon which the same is founded, in Case No. 734 on the Docket of the said Board, wherein

Lymon Bartlett is
the Claimant against the United States, for the place known
by the name of *Wapa*

and request your receipt for the same.

I am, Respectfully,

Your O^bt Servant,

Geo. Fisher