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Monterey California

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Sir,

Mr March has called upon me, delivered Your message and reported the many serious depredations recently committed near San Luis Obispo by the Indians. He informs me that the people cannot pursue the Indians for the want of Ammunition. You should organize a party, pay twenty five or thirty good men, and hold them in readiness to move at a moments warning in pursuit of the Indians when depredations are committed.

I will deliver to Your order twenty five or thirty pounds of powder and a proportionable quantity of lead, to be used by such organized party when in accordance to Your instructions, they may be called on to go in

pursuit of Indians who have committed
depredations upon the Ranches and run off
bands of horses. You must be responsible
that this ammunition is not applied to impor-
-per purposes, that it is taken care of, and
only used for the service for which it is inten-
-ded.

I am Respectfully

Yours obedt servt

R. M. Mason

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