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INDIAN DEPREDATION CLAIMS.

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L E T T E R

FROM

THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR,

TRANSMITTING

*Abstract showing the character and amount of all claims presented to him since date of last report, December 6, 1882, for depredations committed by Indians, &c.*

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DECEMBER 14, 1883.—Referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs and ordered to be printed.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
*Washington, December 5, 1883.*

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith, in compliance with the first clause of section 445 Revised Statutes, the accompanying abstract showing nature, character, and amount of all claims presented to the Secretary of the Interior, since date of last report, December 6, 1882, for compensation for depredations committed by Indians, with his action thereon, and the evidence upon which this action is based.

The claims are numbered 1 to 62 inclusive.

Very respectfully,

M. L. JOSLYN,  
*Acting Secretary.*

The SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Abstract of claims for losses through deprecations by Indians.

Number of claim.	Name of claimant.	Post-office address.	Amount of claim.	Date of deprecation.	Place where deprecation was committed.	Date of presentation of claim.	Tribe to which deprecators belong.	Amount recom-	Amount allowed	Amount disal-	Date of Depart- ment action.
								mended by In- dian Office.	by Depart- ment.	lowed by De- partment.	
			Dollars.					Dollars.	Dollars.	Dollars.	1883.
1	Ira W. Utter.....	King County, Wash...	607 25	Jan. 26, 1856	King County, Washington.	May 2, 1856	Washington .....				Jan. 30.
2	George H. Pettigrew.	Vinita, Ind. T.....	12,000 00	June 22, 1881	Vinita, Ind. T.....	July 7, 1881	Cherokee .....	2,000 00			June 30.
3	S. M. Hamilton....	Cascades, Wash .....	6,164 00	Mar. 26, 1856	Cascades, Wash .....	Mar. 11, 1881	Klickitat .....	6,164 00	4,931 20	1,232 80	June 11.
4	Alfred McCarger	Routt County, Colorado	3,883 50	Sept. 29, 1879	Between Rawlins and White River, Colorado.	Mar. 27, 1883	White River Utes ..	1,403 50	1,403 50		June 30.
5	George Gordon ..	Carbon County, Wy- oming.	8,084 35	Sept. 29, 1879	.....do .....	Feb. 3, 1883	.....do .....	4,439 20	4,439 20		Aug. 22.
6	E. J. Northcott & Bro.	Josephine County, Oregon.	6,210 00	Oct. 24, 1855	Josephine County, Oregon.	Mar. 25, 1877	Rogue River.....	5,450 00	5,450 00		Aug. 25.
7	James Hughes....	Pierce County, Wash- ington.	2,164 87	— —, 1855	Near Steilacoom, Wash ...	Apr. 1, 1880	Nisqually and other.	1,082 43			Aug. 25.
8	Fracis M. Vander- pool.	Skamania County, Washington.	515 00	Mar. —, 1856	Skamania, Washington ..	May 14, 1856	Klickitat .....	515 00	515 00		Aug. 22.
9	Thomas Hoadley..	King County, Wash- ington.	2,138 00	— —, 1855	Puyallup River, Washing- ton.	Feb. 11, 1856	Puyallup and other.	1,068 00	1,068 00		Aug. 25.
10	Patrick Gosson ...	Westfield, Iowa.....	500 00	Oct. 5, 1859	Westfield, Iowa.....	Nov. 9, 1859	Sioux .....				Aug. 25.
11	A. L. Porter .....	Pierce County, Wash- ington.	4,244 00	Sept. 26, 1855	Pierce County, Washing- ton.	May 29, 1856	Puyallup and other.	2,843 48	2,843 48		Aug. 25.
12	James Longmire..	Thurston County, Washington.	934 50	Oct. 29, 1855	Thurston County, Wash- ington.	Dec. 17, 1855	Nisqually and other.	747 60	747 60		Aug. 24.
13	George Edwards..	.....do .....	446 75	— —, 1855	.....do .....	Jan. 6, 1881	Nisqually .....	446 75			Aug. 25.
14	Peter Wilson .....	Pierce County, Wash- ington.	373 00	1855-'56	Pierce County, Washing- ton.	Jan. 8, 1881	White River.....	300 00			Aug. 25.
15	Henry Smith .....	.....do .....	1,100 00	Feb. —, 1856	.....do .....	Jan. 8, 1881	Muckleshoot .....	815 50			Aug. 24.
16	Daniel Hines .....	Snohomish County, Washington.	350 00	Oct. 27, 1879	Snohomish County, Wash- ington.	Oct. —, 1882	Tulalip .....				Aug. 27.
17	James H. Bean....	Douglas County, Ore- gon.	1,034 00	July 25, 1856	Douglas County, Oregon ..	Feb. 5, 1857	Umpqua .....	784 00	784 00		Aug. 24.
18	B. F. Ashby.....	Seven Rivers, N. Mex.	1,025 00	Dec. 9, 1879	Lincoln County, New Mexico.	Aug. 30, 1880	Mescalero Apache ..	1,025 00	1,025 00		Aug. 27.
19	Wm. D. Downey ..	Pierce County, Wash- ington.	400 50	Oct. 1, 1855	Pierce County, Washing- ton.	Mar. 7, 1881	Nisqually and other.	400 50			Aug. 24.
20	Lewis Barnes .....	Del Norte County, Cali- fornia.	1,700 00	Oct. 22, 1855	Del Norte County, Cali- fornia.	July 8, 1857	Cow Creek and other	840 00	840 00		Aug. 24.
21	John M. Barker....	Douglas County, Ore- gon.	200 00	Aug. —, 1857	Douglas County, Oregon..	Nov. 5, 1857	Umpqua .....	100 00	100 00		Aug. 24.

32	M. L. Avery	Star Prairie, Wis	1,500 00	Sept. 16, 1856	Star Prairie, Wis	Sept. 24, 1856	750 00		Aug. 27.
23	E. and A. Rose	Gila County, Arizona	2,290 00	Sept. 3, 1881	Yavapai County, Arizona	Oct. 7, 1881	2,000 00	2,000 00	Aug. 27.
24	J. A. Montoya	Socorro County, New Mexico	1,500 00	May 22, 1880	Near San Antonio, N. Mex.	Nov. 29, 1881	1,500 00	1,500 00	Aug. 27.
25	Frederick Meyer	Pierce County, Washington	1,256 50	—, 1855	Pierce County, Washington	Jan. 10, 1881	Nisqually and other	1,256 50	Aug. 25.
26	Jacob Kersner	do	754 00	1855-'56	do	May 1, 1881	do	500 00	Aug. 24.
27	Carl L. Gohrich	do	1,089 00	—, 1855	do	May 21, 1881	do	708 00	Aug. 25.
28	H. B. Oatman	Jackson County, Oregon	300 00	Sept. 25, 1855	Jackson County, Oregon	June 1, 1857	Rogue River	300 00	Aug. 25.
29	Peter Benquist	Pierce County, Washington	863 75	—, 1855	Pierce County, Washington	May 21, 1881	Yakima and other	600 00	Aug. 25.
30	Robert B. Hay	Grant County, Oregon	2,865 17	July 29, 1878	Grant County, Oregon	Apr. 3, 1879	Bannock and other	700 00	Aug. 27.
31	Joseph M. V. Cochran	Custer County, Montana	654 50	Sept. 13, 1877	Yellowstone Valley, Montana	Oct. 28, 1882	Nez Percé	654 50	Aug. 27.
32	J. M. Hogan	Stockton, Cal	30,000 00	July 18, 1861	Spring Creek, Utah	Dec. 18, 1882	Shoshone	6,600 00	Aug. 27.
33	S. C. Moore	Douglas County, Oregon	1,332 00	Apr. 12, 1856	Douglas County, Oregon	Oct. 27, 1857	Umpqua	620 00	Aug. 29.
34	W. P. Day	Coos County, Oregon	913 37	Mar. 24, 1856	Coos County, Oregon	Dec. 23, 1856	Rogue River	913 37	Sept. 5.
35	John A. Richards	Douglas County, Oregon	974 00	Dec. —, 1855	Douglas County, Oregon	Oct. 27, 1857	Rogue River and other	600 00	Sept. 10.
36	William McCullough	do	500 00	Dec. 1, 1855	do	Nov. 4, 1857	Umpqua and other	300 00	Sept. 7.
37	A. E. McCullough	Douglas County, Oregon	200 00	May 15, 1856	do	Nov. 4, 1857	do	200 00	Sept. 29.
38	William Brigg	do	75 00	Mar. 9, 1856	do	Mar. 19, 1857	do	75 00	Sept. 29.
39	John Byron	do	528 80	May 15, 1856	do	Nov. 4, 1859	do	400 00	Oct. 2.
40	Eli B. Maple	King County, Washington	387 37	Jan. 26, 1856	King County, Washington	May 31, 1856	White River and other	360 00	Oct. 4.
41	John McCall	Scott County, Minnesota	139 35	Aug. 6, 1855	Scott County, Washington	—, 1856	Sioux	70 00	Oct. 10.
42	Francis McNatt	King County, Washington	1,749 50	Jan. 26, 1856	King County, Washington	Apr. 30, 1856	White River	1,097 50	Oct. 10.
43	B. L. Johns	do	1,578 75	Jan. 26, 1856	do	May —, 1856	Puyallup and other	1,400 00	Oct. 15.
44	Eugene Taylor	Routt County, Colorado	2,500 40	Sept. 29, 1879	Routt County, Colorado	Feb. 10, 1883	White River Utes	1,342 60	Oct. 20.
45	J. John Moss	King County, Washington	339 35	Jan. 26, 1856	King County, Washington	Dec. 28, 1856	Klickitat and other	339 35	Oct. 19.
46	Thomas Pierce	Skamania County, Washington	1,725 00	Aug. 1, 1856	Skamania County, Washington	June 3, 1856	do	1,225 00	Oct. 22.
47	Jerome T. Parrott	Deadwood, Dak	3,390 00	July 17, 1877	Near Deadwood, Dak	May 20, 1878	Sioux	1,664 00	Oct. 26.
48	Michael Coleman	O'Neill, Nebr	125 00	Jan. —, 1880	Holt County, Nebraska	May 30, 1883	do	50 00	Oct. 25.
49	Thomas McNatt	Olympia, Wash	545 00	Mar. —, 1856	Cascades, Washington	Sept. —, 1856	Klickitat	545 00	Nov. 10.
50	Sylvester Gilson	Globe, Ariz	2,061 00	Apr. 19, 1882	Gila County, Arizona	Oct. 4, 1883	San Carlos	2,061 00	Nov. 12.
51	James S. Wells	Douglas County, Oregon	1,531 25	Nov. 20, 1855	Douglas County, Oregon	Mar. —, 1857	Cow Creek and other	1,218 75	Nov. 12.
52	William Huton	Roseburgh, Oreg	834 50	Apr. 19, 1856	do	Nov. —, 1856	Umpqua	550 00	Nov. 12.
53	Martin W. Newland	Douglas County, Oregon	340 00	Dec. 1, 1855	do	Sept. 30, 1857	Rogue River	340 00	Nov. 14.
54	D. A. Neely	Seattle, Wash	841 50	Jan. 29, 1856	King County, Washington	May 10, 1856	Puyallup	737 50	Nov. 15.

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			Dollars.					Dollars.	Dollars.	Dollars.	
55	Thomas Mercer...	Seattle, Wash.....	267 00	— —, 1856	King County, Washington	Jan. 21, 1857	Puyallup and other	217 00	217 00	.....	1853.
56	Nathan Tanner...	South Cottonwood, Utah.	1,900 00	July 20, 1860	Malad River, Idaho.....	May 21, 1883	Bannock.....	.....	.....	.....	Nov. 17. Nov. 22.
57	Daniel Varner....	Stellacoom, Wash....	1,712 00	1855-'56	Pierce County, Washing- ton.	Dec. 8, 1855	Klickitat and other..	1,712 00	1,712 00	.....	Nov. 27.
58	Henry Van Asselt	Seattle, Wash.....	1,860 50	— —, 1856	King County, Washing- ton.	May 3, 1856	Puyallup and other	1,860 50	1,860 50	.....	Nov. 28.
59	Plummer & Chase.....	do .....	8,200 00	Feb. 1, 1856	do .....	Dec. 6, 1856	do .....	8,200 00	8,200 00	.....	Dec. 4.
60	William B. Bolton.....	do .....	1,146 00	Aug. 26, 1855	do .....	July 19, 1879	do .....	997 50	997 50	.....	Dec. 4.
61	R. H. Beatty .....	do .....	708 00	Jan. 26, 1856	do .....	May 3, 1856	do .....	708 00	708 00	.....	Dec. 4.
62	John M. Thomas.....	do .....	625 00	Oct. 25, 1855	do .....	July 13, 1858	do .....	595 75	595 75	.....	Dec. 5.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
Washington, D. C., December 5, 1883.