ORION CLEMENS' COPYBOOK
1863, JANUARY-APRIL

From: Orion Clemens, Secretary and Acting Governor of Nevada Territory To: Hon. Elisha Whittlesey, First Comptroller of the Treasury, Washington, D.C. January 5, 1863 Description: Requesting Funds Subject: Governor Nye Left the Territory for New York. To be Absent Until May. Requesting $200 for Quarter Ending March 30, 1863, to Defray Contingent Expenses of the Territory. TERR-0131 0196

From: Orion Clemens, Secretary and Acting Governor and Ex-Officio Superintendent of Indian Affairs for Nevada Territory To: Hon. William P. Dole, Commissioner of Indian Affairs, Washington, D.C. January 5, 1863 Description: Draft Subject: Governor Nye Left the Territory for New York, to be Absent Until May. Prior to Departure, Nye Indicated a Draft for $2,500 for the Indian Department Would be Sent and Payable to Nye. Requesting the Draft be Payable to Clemens and Made Payable in San Franc TERR-0131 0197

From: Orion Clemens, Secretary of Nevada Territory To: Hon. Perry. G. Childs, Nevada Territorial Auditor December 23, 1862 Description: Election Certification Subject: Election Held at the House of A.W. Worm at Susanville, in the 9th Council District on August 31, 1861. Z.J. Brown, A. Ramsey and M.S. Scott as Judges. Robert F. Moody and C.W. Dake as Clerks. Robert F. Moody Delivered the Returns to Clemens' Office. TERR-0131 0198

From: Orion Clemens, Secretary of Nevada Territory To: D. E. McCarthy, Esq. January 7, 1863 Description: Draft Subject: Sending Back Original Draft as Given. Cannot Accommodate by Changing Payee from J. T. Goodman & Co. for $1,224.68. "You will Have to Let it go Payable to Bearer." TERR-0131 0199

From: Orion Clemens, Acting Governor of Nevada Territory To: Lieutenant Cahill January 8, 1863 Description: Acknowledgement Letter Subject: Received letter Requesting "Permission to recruit a company to be attached to the Regiment or one of the seven companies which is now being recruited in California." Clemens Has no Power to Grant Request. TERR-0131 0200

From: Orion Clemens, Secretary of Nevada Territory To: Messrs, Valentine & Co. January 8, 1863 Description: Acknowledgement Letter Subject: Received Letters. Has Been Busy. Advises He Gave the Printing Job to the Virginia Territorial Enterprise. Cannot Pay the Balance on the Last 2 Bills Until Audited at Washington. Valentine & Co's Account for Printing of the Laws and Journals has Been Audit TERR-0131 0201

From: Orion Clemens, Secretary of Nevada Territory To: Messrs. J. T. Goodman & Co., Proprietors, Territorial Enterprise, Virginia, Nevada Territory January 9, 1863 Description: Shipping Laws Subject: Sent Package of General Laws for Publication in Paper. Questions When they Will Commence Printing of the Laws and Journals, and When They Will be Finished. TERR-0131 0202

From: Orion Clemens, Secretary of Nevada Territory To: Hon. D. W. Cheesman, Assistant U.S. Treasurer, San Francisco, CA January 12, 1863 Description: Drafts Subject: Drafts to: Wells Fargo & Co. $222.00; John G. Fox $111.60; D.W. Harroun $50. TERR-0131 0203

From: Orion Clemens, Secretary of Nevada Territory To: Hon. D. W. Cheesman, Assistant U.S. Treasurer, San Francisco, CA January 13, 1863 Description: Draft Subject: Draft in Favor of S.D. King $50. TERR-0131 0204

From: Orion Clemens, Acting Governor of Nevada Territory To: Thomas Sunderland, Esq. January 15, 1863 Description: Notary Subject: Received Letter Requesting Appointment of George W. Gordon as Notary Public for Storey County. Satisfied with Qualifications but Wants to Know if Gordon "is a Union Man or not; and by a 'Union Man' I Mean a Supporter of the Administration." TERR-0131 0205

From: Orion Clemens, Secretary of Nevada Territory To: Hon. Elisha Whittlesey, First Comptroller of the Treasury, Washington, D.C. January 23, 1863 Description: Legislative Account Subject: Sent "Account Current" and "Abstract of Legislative Expenses." Discusses Different Accounting Issues. TERR-0131 0206-0207

From: Orion Clemens, Secretary of Nevada Territory To: Hon. T. L. Smith, First Auditor of the Treasury, Washington, D. C. January 23, 1863 Description: Acknowledgement Letter Subject: Was Advised that the Manner in Which he Credited the United States Gave Trouble.

Explains the Differences in Notices Received From the New York Assistant Treasurer and the San Francisco Assistant Treasurer. TERR-0131 0208

From: Orion Clemens, Secretary and Acting Governor of Nevada Territory To: T. A. Read, Sheriff, Washoe County, Nevada Territory January 24, 1863 Description: Removal of Prisoner Subject: Received an Application in Writing for the Removal of Prisoner Horace F. Swazey. Advised to Remove the Prisoner to Another Jail Anywhere in the Territory He May Think Expedient. TERR-0131 0209

From: Orion Clemens, Secretary of Nevada Territory To: Messrs. J. T. Goodman & Co., Proprietors, Territorial Enterprise, Virginia, Nevada Territory January 24, 1863 Description: Publishing Subject: Received Bill for Publishing the Session Laws. Need to Publish the Act Authorizing Them to Publish the Laws. TERR-0131 0210

From: Orion Clemens, Secretary of Nevada Territory To: Salmon P. Chase, Secretary of the Treasury, Washington D. C. January 28, 1863 Description: Requesting Funds Subject: Advance $5,000 from the Fund Appropriated by Congress to Defray the Legislative Expenses of the Territory of Nevada. Credit Funds to Office of the Assistant Treasurer at San Francisco. TERR-0131 0211

From: Orion Clemens, Secretary of Nevada Territory To: Hon. Perry. G. Childs, Nevada Territorial Auditor January 30, 1863 Description: Certification Letter Subject: Certification that the Daily Territorial Enterprise Has Substantially Complied with the Act Relative to Printing the Session Laws of 1862. Compensation Entitled for Publication "Ten Hundred Dollars." TERR-0131 0212

From: Orion Clemens, Secretary and Acting Governor and Ex-Officio Superintendent of Indian Affairs for Nevada Territory To: Hon. Second Auditor of the Treasury, Washington, D.C. February 3, 1863 Description: Report as Ex-Officio Superintendent of Indian Affairs for Nevada Territory Subject: Would Like General Instructions on His Duty as Superintendent of Indian Affairs. Outlines Bills for: Franklin Campbell (Teamster), Indian Agent on the Walker River Indian Reserve-$715; James M. Brown (Teamster), Indian Agent on the Walker River Reserve-$5 TERR-0131 0213-0216

From: Orion Clemens, Secretary of Nevada Territory To: Messrs. J. T. Goodman & Co., Proprietors, Territorial Enterprise, Virginia, Nevada Territory February 5, 1863 Description: Acknowledgement Letter Subject: Responds to Their Inquiry on Compensation for Printing of the Laws and Journals. TERR-0131 0217

From: Orion Clemens, Secretary of Nevada Territory To: Hon. Elisha Whittlesey, First Comptroller of the Treasury, Washington, D.C. February 5, 1863 Description: Payment to Territorial Enterprise Subject: Encloses Letter from the Proprietors of the Territorial Enterprise. Expresses Concerns over Payment Options and Printing Situation. TERR-0131 0218-0220

From: Orion Clemens, Secretary of Nevada Territory To: Messrs. J. T. Goodman & Co., Proprietors, Territorial Enterprise, Virginia, Nevada Territory February 6, 1863 Description: Printing Information Subject: Inquiries Relative to Printing in the Territory of Nevada. TERR-0131 0221-0222

From: Orion Clemens, Acting Governor of Nevada Territory To: Holland Smith, Esq., First Copying Clerk, Senate, Sacramento, CA February 7, 1863 Description: Commissioner of Deeds Subject: Not Willing to Send Mr. Randall a Commission Unless Satisfied that He is a Union Man, Meaning He is a Supporter of the Administration and that the Appointment Would be Otherwise Suitable. TERR-0131 0223

From: Orion Clemens, Secretary of Nevada Territory To: Hon. F. W. Seward, Assistant Secretary of State, Washington, D.C. February 9, 1863 Description: Acknowledgement Letter Subject: Received Blank Forms of Letters of Appoinment for Publishers of the Laws. TERR-0131 0224

From: Orion Clemens, Acting Governor of Nevada Territory To: Dr. W. S. Minneer February 16, 1863 Description: Appointment Subject: Appointing Dr. Minneer as Vaccine Agent. Requires Proof that He is a Graduate in Medicine. TERR-0131 0225

From: Orion Clemens, Secretary of Nevada Territory To: Hon. Elisha Whittlesey, First Comptroller of the Treasury, Washington, D.C. February 16, 1863 Description: Public Printing Subject: Encloses Response from the Washoe Times in Relation to Public Printing. TERR-0131 0226

From: Orion Clemens, Secretary of Nevada Territory To: A. W. Russell, Esq., Lyon County Recorder February 18, 1863 Description: Acknowledgement Letter Subject: Received Letter Regarding Copying of Records. Copyist Working on Storey County Records. Lyon County Records will be Copied After Washoe County. TERR-0131 0227

From: Orion Clemens, Acting Governor of Nevada Territory To: General James Allen, Editor, Washoe Times February 19, 1863 Description: Printing and Publishing Subject: Letter is Blurred. Request for Publication and Printing. TERR-0131 0228

From: Orion Clemens, Acting Governor of Nevada Territory To: February 19, 1863 Description: Reward for Apprehension Subject: $1,000 Reward for the Apprehension of Edward W. Richardson, Charged with Murder and Robbery, and Horace F. Swazey, Charged with Murder. Both Escaped from the Ormsby County Jail on February 18, 1863. Clemens Provides Detailed Descriptions of Each Man. TERR-0131 0229-0230

From: Orion Clemens, Acting Governor of Nevada Territory To: February 21, 1863 Description: Notice of Accreditation Subject: John K. Lovejoy Accredited as Agent and Authorized to Visit Roop County and Investigate Nevada Territory/California Border Difficulties. TERR-0131 0231

From: Orion Clemens, Acting Governor of Nevada Territory To: Governor Leland Stanford, Sacramento California February 21, 1863 Description: Border Conflict with California Subject: Authorities of Nevada Territory and California Have Come in Conflict. Six Men Wounded. Has Sent Agent to Honey Lake. May Require Legislative Action. TERR-0131 0232

From: Orion Clemens, Secretary of Nevada Territory To: Hon. Elisha Whittlesey, First Comptroller of the Treasury, Washington, D.C. February 23, 1863 Description: Printing Subject: Sends Printing Questionnaire Answers from the Territorial Enterprise.The Daily Virginia UnionHas not Yet Responded. TERR-0131 0233

From: Orion Clemens, Secretary of Nevada Territory To: Messrs. John Church & Co., Publishers, Virginia Daily Union Description: Printing Subject: Printing Questions.

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From: Orion Clemens, Acting Governor of Nevada Territory To: Albert P. Overton, Esq. February 25, 1863 Description: Removal from Office Subject: Informing Mr. Overton He is Removing Him from the Office of Commissioner of Deeds. Cause-Disloyalty. TERR-0131 0235

From: Orion Clemens, Acting Governor of Nevada Territory To: I. G. Wickersham February 25, 1863 Description: Commissioner of Deeds Subject: Advising of the Removal of Albert P. Overton from Office of Commissioner of Deeds. Requesting Recommendation for Replacement. TERR-0131 0236

From: Orion Clemens, Acting Governor of Nevada Territory To: George S. Saunders, Esq., Undersheriff, Washoe County February 26, 1863 Description: Acknowledgement Letter Subject: Replies to Inquiry of Removal of an Insane Person to Some County Jail or Territorial Prison. Clemens Advises He Does not Think He has the Power to Order Removal. Refers Saunders to Chapter 51, Page 178 of the Laws of 1861. TERR-0131 0237

From: Orion Clemens, Acting Governor of Nevada Territory To: Hon. Perry. G. Childs, Nevada Territorial Auditor February 28, 1863 Description: Warrants Subject: Request to Issue Warrants on the Territorial Treasurer: James Allen-$30; Orion Clemens, Acting Governor-$200; Orion Clemens, Acting Governor-$600. TERR-0131 0238

From: Orion Clemens, Acting Governor of Nevada Territory To: Hon. Perry. G. Childs, Nevada Territorial Auditor March 2, 1863 Description: Warrants Subject: Requests Issuance of Warrants in Favor of Corel Howk and Ambrose Robinson Jointly for $500 and $60. TERR-0131 0239

From: Orion Clemens, Secretary of Nevada Territory To: Territory of Nevada March 2, 1863 Description: Receipt Subject: Acknowledges Receipt of $425 for Quarterly Salary from December 1862 to March 1863. TERR-0131 0240

From: Orion Clemens, Acting Governor of Nevada Territory To: Hon. Perry. G. Childs, Nevada Territorial Auditor March 2, 1863 Description: Warrant Subject: Requests Issuance of Warrant in Favor of Orion Clemens, Acting Governor of Nevada Territory, for the Sum of $45. TERR-0131 0241

From: Orion Clemens, Acting Governor of Nevada Territory To: William Hill Naileigh, Esq., Sheriff of Roop County, Nevada Territory March 3, 1863 Description: Border Conflict with California Subject: Jurisdictional Boundary Conflict Between Authorities of Roop County, Nevada Territory and Plumas County, California. Received Mr. Naileigh's Letter Regarding Conflict and Peace Meeting and Responds. Includes Letters Between Acting Governor Clemens and Gov TERR-0131 0243-0247

From: Orion Clemens, Acting Governor of Nevada Territory To: His Excellency, Leland Stanford, Governor of the State of California March 4, 1863 Description: Jurisdictional Border Conflict with California Subject: Letter Crossed Out. Similar Letter Sent on Pages 257-262. TERR-0131 0248-255

From: Orion Clemens, Secretary and Acting Governor of Nevada Territory To: Treasurer of the United States, Washington, D.C. March 5, 1863 Description: Receipt Subject: Acknowledges Receipt of Treasury Draft of $250 from Assistant Treasurer, U.S. Treasury, San Francisco, CA TERR-0131 0256

From: Orion Clemens, Acting Governor of Nevada Territory To: His Excellency, Leland Stanford, Governor of the State of California March 5, 1863 Description: Border Conflict with California Subject: Jurisdictional Boundary Conflict Between Authorities of Roop County, Nevada Territory and Plumas County, California. California Agent Has Not Arrived. Encloses Mr. Naileigh's Report on Conflict and Peace Meeting, Report of the Committee Appointed from the TERR-0131 0257-0262

From: Orion Clemens, Secretary of Nevada Territory To: H. Smeathman, Esq., Star City, Humboldt County, Nevada Territory Description: Notary Public Subject: Bond Submitted is Incorrect. Returns it for Corrections. TERR-0131 0263

From: Orion Clemens, Acting Governor and Ex-Officio Superintendent of Indian Affairs of

Nevada Territory To: Hon. T. L. Smith, First Auditor of the Treasury, Washington, D. C. March 10, 1863 Description: Indian Vaccinations Subject: Top of Page is Blurry. Describes Situation with Chief of the Reese River Band of Indians. Encloses Bill for Vaccinating 54 Washoe Indians. Hopes the Bill will be Paid. Spread of Disease has 5 Sick Indians and Several Died. TERR-0131 0264

From: Orion Clemens, Secretary of Nevada Territory To: Treasurer of the United States, Washington, D.C. March 10, 1863 Description: Receipt Subject: Received Draft for Quarterly Salaries. TERR-0131 0265

From: Orion Clemens, Secretary and Acting Governor of Nevada Territory To: Hon. William H. Seward, Secretary of State, Washington, D.C. March 18, 1863 Description:Nevada Territory/California Border Subject: Detailed History on Boundary Issues in Both Roop and Esmeralda Counties. Names Mentioned: Nevada Territorial Governor James W. Nye; Judge Mott, Associate Justice of Nevada Territory, Supreme Court; William H. Naileigh, Acting Sheriff, Roop County TERR-0131 0266-0275

From: Orion Clemens, Secretary of Nevada Territory To: D. E. McCarthy, Esq. March 27, 1863 Description: Printing Inquiries Subject: Letter is Blurred and Difficult to Read. Provides Fiscal Answer to Inquiry. TERR-0131 0276

From: Orion Clemens, Secretary and Acting Governor of Nevada Territory To: Hon. William Hemphill Jones, Acting Comptroller of the Treasury, Washington, D. C. March 28, 1863 Description: Acknowledgement Letter Subject: Received Confirmation that Request for $250 from the Contingent Fund is Complied with and has Received Draft for that Amount. "If I am entitled to any portion of the salary of Governor or Superintendent of Indian Affairs, while acting as such, please send TERR-0131 0277

From: Orion Clemens, Acting Governor of Nevada Territory To: E. E. Ferris, Esq. March 28, 1863 Description: Letter Regarding Appointments Subject: Notice of Adoption of Rule for Appointments. "Shall be a Union man and supporter of the Administration, including the Emancipation Proclamation." TERR-0131 0278

From: Orion Clemens, Secretary of Nevada Territory To: Messrs. J. T. Goodman & Co.

March 30, 1863 Description: Voucher Subject: Enclosing Voucher for Audited Balance of Account for $3.05 TERR-0131 0279

From: Orion Clemens, Acting Governor of Nevada Territory To: Judge William Haydon March 31, 1863 Description: Request to travel Subject: Requesting Permission to Travel to San Francisco on the Adjournment of the April Term of Judge Haydon's Court. Consent Given. TERR-0131 0280

From: Orion Clemens, Secretary of Nevada Territory To: Orion Clemens March 31, 1863 Description: Receipt Subject: Received for 1 Month's Services as Secretary of the Territory, from March 1-31, 1863-$141.67. TERR-0131 0281

From: Orion Clemens, Secretary of Nevada Territory To: Messrs. J. T. Goodman & Co., Proprietors of Territorial Enterprise, Virginia, Nevada Territory April 6, 1863 Description: Public Printing Subject: Printing Matters . TERR-0131 0282

From: Orion Clemens, Acting Governor of Nevada Territory To: Brigadier General George Wright, Commanding Department of the Pacific, U. S. Army, San Francisco, CA April 6, 1863 Description: Letter Crossed Out Subject: Similar Letter on Pages 285-287. TERR-0131 0283 0284

From: Orion Clemens, Acting Governor of Nevada Territory To: Brigadier General George Wright, Commanding Department of the Pacific, U. S. Army, San Francisco, CA April 9, 1863 Description: Acknowledgement Letter Subject: Acknowledges Receipt of Mr. Wright's Letter Regarding Possible Civil War in California. Clemens Thinks it is Probable that 1 to 4 Companies of Infantry can be Organized in Nevada Territory. Recruitment would be More Successful if Government would Provide TERR-0131 0285-0287

From: Orion Clemens, Acting Governor of Nevada Territory To: Col. Samuel Youngs, Aurora, Esmeralda, Nevada Territory April 9, 1863 Description: Acknowledgement Letter Subject: Receives Col. Youngs Letter of the 4th. Agrees with Views. Clemens Proposes to Organize Esmeralda County Immediately Upon Adjournment of the California Legislature. Requests Recommendations and that they Make Application to Him for Various Offices. TERR-0131 0288-0289

From: Orion Clemens, Acting Governor and Ex-Officio Superintendent of Indian Affairs for Nevada Territory To: Hon. Second Auditor of the Treasury, Washington, D.C. April 10, 1863 Description: Indian Affairs Report Subject: Enclosing Report as Superintendent of Indian Affairs of Nevada Territory for Month Ending March 31, 1863. Is Out of Blank Forms to Make any Further Reports. TERR-0131 0290

From: Orion Clemens, Secretary and Acting Governor and Ex-Officio Superintendent of Indian Affairs for Nevada Territory To: Hon. William P. Dole, Commissioner of Indian Affairs, Washington, D.C. April 10, 1863 Description: Acknowledgement Letter Subject: Received Mr. Dole's Letter of March 17. Clemens Encloses Report Showing How Funds Came into His Possession and the Disbursement of Fundsfor the Indian Department. Balance Due to Clemens of $22.58. Makes Reference to Vouchers. TERR-0131 0296

From: Orion Clemens To: Judge Robert Robinson, Sacramento, CA April 15, 1863 Description: Acknowledgement Letter Subject: California/Nevada Territory Boundary Issue. Received by Pony Express the Judges Letter of the 31st. Encloses Copy of Letter Written to Col. Samuel Youngs. (Crossed out Acting Governor Under His Signature.) TERR-0131 0298

From: Orion Clemens, Secretary of Nevada Territory To: Messrs. J. T. Goodman & Co. April 16, 1863 Description: Vouchers Subject: Encloses Vouchers the U.S. Comptroller Questioned. Goes Over Accounting. Asks When Printing of the Laws and Journals will be Finished. TERR-0131 0299

From: Orion Clemens, Acting Governor of Nevada Territory To: Hon. Perry. G. Childs, Nevada Territorial Auditor April ?, 1863 Description: Warrant Subject: Letter is Blurry on Top. Issue Warrant out of the Contingent Fund for $20 in Favor of D.R. Woolf. TERR-0131 0300

From: Orion Clemens, Acting Governor of Nevada Territory To: Major McDermit, In Command at Fort Churchill, Nevada Territory April 20, 1863 Description: Arms and Ammunition Subject: Acknowledges Receipt of McDermit's Letter of April 9. Clemens Discusses Arms and Ammunition. H. Martin Smith Notified Clemens that McDermit's Family Has Been Sick. Informs McDermit He is Busy and Cannot Leave Conveniently but Will if Needed. TERR-0131 0301

From: Orion Clemens, Secretary and Acting Governor of Nevada Territory To: Hon. William Hemphill Jones, Acting Comptroller of the Treasury, Washington, D. C. April 25, 1863 Description: Request for Funds Subject: Requests $250 for Quarter Ending June 30, 1863 out of the Appropriation of $1,000 to Defray the Contingent Expenses of Nevada Territory. Encloses Vouchers in the Same Amount for Quarter Ending March 31, 1863. TERR-0131 0302

From: Orion Clemens, Acting Governor of Nevada Territory To: Brigadier General George Wright, Commanding Department of the Pacific, U. S. Army, San Francisco, CA April 27, 1863 Description: Acknowledgement Letter Subject: Received Wright's Letter of April 16. Encloses Copy of Proclamation Calling for 2 Companies of Cavalry and 2 Companies of Infantry to Serve 3 Years or During the War. Advises of His Activities Regarding the First Cavalry and Visit to Fort Churchill. TERR-0131 0303-0304

From: Orion Clemens, Secretary of Nevada Territory To: Hon. William Hemphill Jones, Acting Comptroller of the Treasury, Washington, D. C. April 29, 1863 Description: Nevada Territory Subject: Twenty Two Pages of Detail. Discusses Vouchers, Printing and Adjustments to His Accounts. Discusses Living Situation, Old and New Legislative Furniture and Renting of Legislative Halls. Abraham Curry Helped Negotiate the Procurement of $1,500 for Rent fro TERR-0131 0305-0326