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My dear Mr. CreeK

I have your letter of the 6th inst., (mailed the 12th inst.) acknowledging receipt of our appeal, and have noted its contents.

In reply, I beg to hand to you herewith a carbon copy of our brief in support of the appeal for your consideration. I am pleased that you approve the appeal as prepared and trust that you will find the brief in support thereof equally satisfactory. This brief should be in the hands of the Secretary of the Interior at Washington tomorrow.

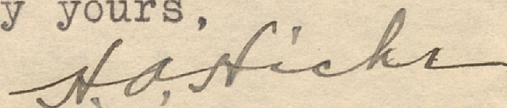
Regarding the matter of the Colorado lands, I have to advise that a petition was made to the Commissioner of the General Land Office at Washington, D. C. on the Colorado lands at the same time the appeal was taken upon the California lands, but no decision has been received on the Colorado lands, and I am just waiting until it is decided. It may be that we will receive a favorable decision on the Colorado lands, and perhaps that is why the delay has occurred.

The abstracts as forwarded to Washington were not down to date, and I really expected them to call upon me for supplemental abstracts, but they did not do so in the case of the California lands, and hence I am assuming that we may get by without it on the Colorado lands.

Would you be willing to incur the expense of having an abstract of title made to the Colorado lands so that we can have them at hand in case of the necessity of an appeal at Washington? If you authorize it, I will get estimates of the cost and report to you.

With best wishes, I am,

Very truly yours,



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