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Floyd, John Buchanan, 1806-1863
Letter, 1858

DESCRIPTION

Two-page letter from John B. Floyd, U.S. Secretary of War, to C. J. Faulkner, Chairman of the Committee on Military Affairs, House of Representatives, concerning the armed possession of posts in Chihuahua and Sonora, Mexico, dated December 17, 1858. He notes that the armed possession of these posts would "add nothing to the present necessity for the increase of the army. The line of defense from the frontier of Texas to the Pacific Coast would be materially shortened, and might be so chosen . . . to diminish the cost of transportation for the supplies of a very large portion of our forces, employed upon our southern border."

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HISTORICAL NOTE

Politician; John Buchanan Floyd was Governor of Virginia, 1859-1852, U. S. secretary of war in Buchanan's cabinet, 1857-1860, resigned at the request of the President, and entered Confederate Service as brigadier of volunteers.

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