

Office Supt. Indian Affairs,
Olympia W.T. Dec. 7, 1853.

Hon Joel Palmer,

Supt. Indian Affairs O.T.

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Will you inform me, whether you have received instructions from the Department to act as Superintendent of Indian affairs in this Territory till my arrival or have received an official notification of Mr. Starling's removal from office.

I am sir verry respectfully,

your most obedt. servt.

Geor. Stevens
Supt. I. A. W. T.

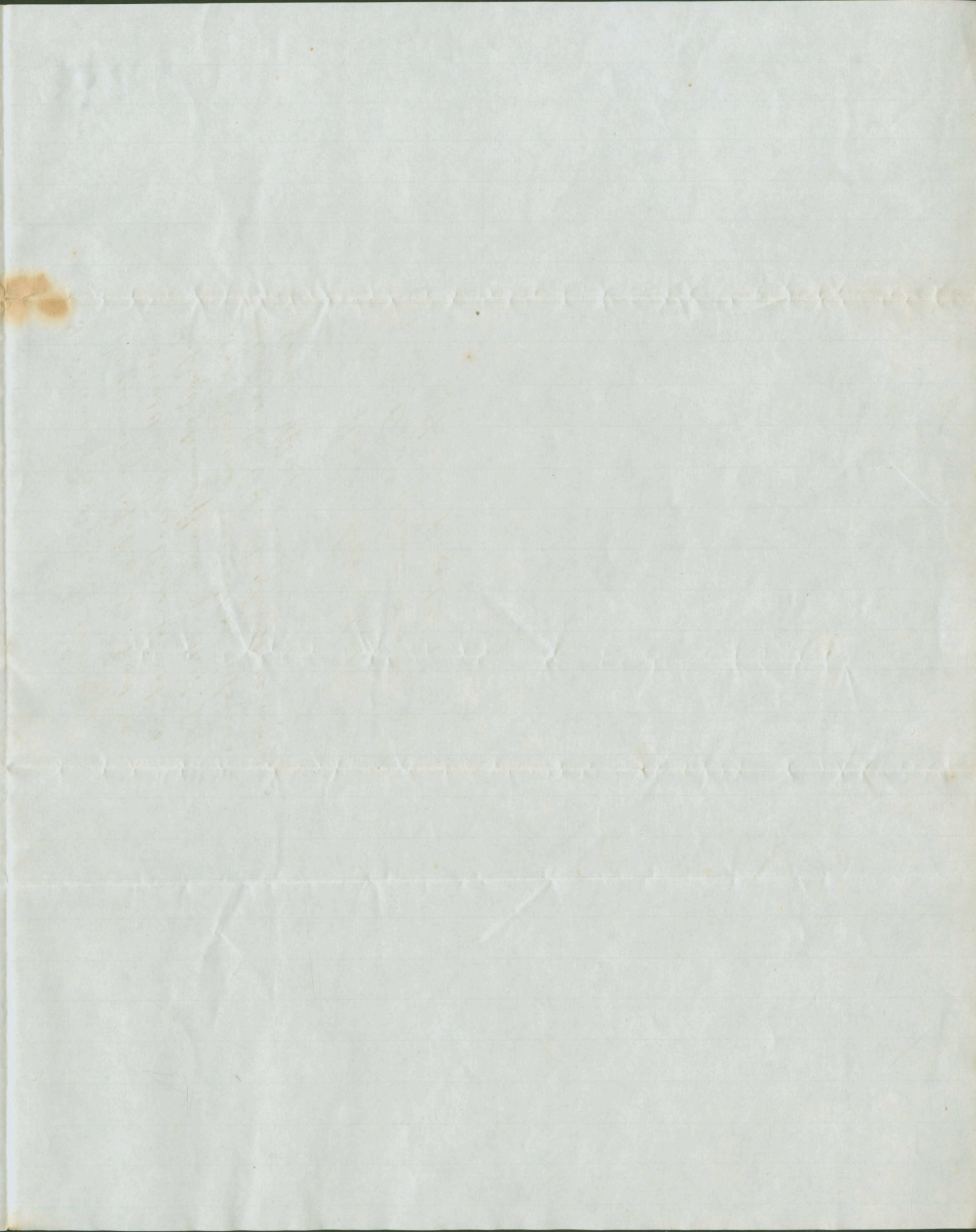


Office of the Secretary of the Interior
Washington, D.C.

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Very truly yours,
Secretary of the Interior

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Gov. Stevens to Hon. J. Palmer,
Inquiring whether he had re-
ceived instructions to act as
Supt. of Indian Affairs of M. T. till
Gov. Stevens' arrival, or informa-
tion as to Col. Starbuck's removal
from office.

Recd Dec. 26, 1853

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Isaac J. Stevens,
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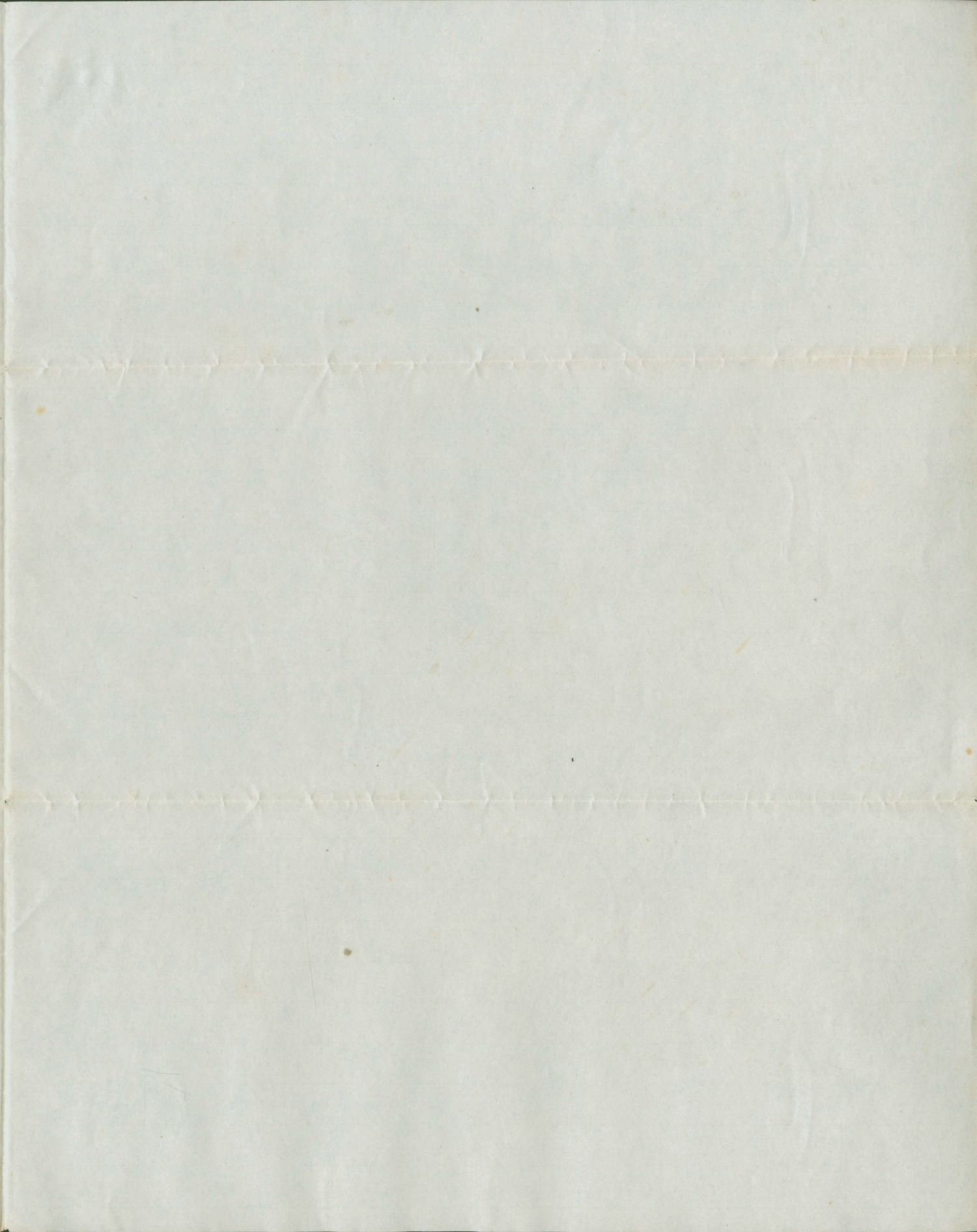
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Office of the
Secretary of the
War Department

Mr. John P. ...
Department of War

Very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
John P. ...

John P. ...



Letter from Gov. Stevens

1833

Received Jan'y 16th 1854
General District

Copy of letter previously
received containing information
the reference to Sterling's account
is in the

next in the account