

for the burning of the two Seminole boys some time ago, has created considerable comment. I called on the Governor to get an expression direct from him, as to what he and his nation expected to do about the matter. He said:

"Under the treaties with my nation the United States guaranteed us protection, and indemnity is undoubtedly due the Seminoles for the burning of two of their citizens by citizens of the United States. I expect to make a claim for indemnity, under our treaties. I will present this claim direct to Congress, and will proceed with it just as soon as pending Indian Territory legislation is disposed of. A provision is pending in the Indian Appropriation bill for the ratification of the Seminole treaty, and I have every reason to hope and believe it will become a law with the bill. When that is disposed of we will present and press out claims for indemnity."

The Cherokees have determined to have the Supreme Court of the United States pass upon two questions of vital interest of their nation: The validity of the law abolishing their court jurisdiction and their treaty right of self government.

The first question will be brought to the