

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

UNITED STATES INDIAN INSPECTOR

FOR

INDIAN TERRITORY,

D 3183-1901

Muskogee, Ind. T Dec. 24, 1901.

Mr. S. J. Homer,
National Secretary Choctaw Nation,
Caddo, Indian Territory.

Sir:-

I have to respectfully advise you that the act of the National Council of the Choctaw Nation, approved by the Principal Chief on November 4, 1901, and entitled "Bill No. 31, an act for the relief of Mrs. J. F. McCurtain," was submitted by the Honorable Secretary of the Interior to the President for executive action on December 10, 1901, and was disapproved on December 12, 1901, for the reason that the act appropriates a sum to be paid out of the coal and asphalt royalties belonging to the Choctaw Nation, in settlement of an indebtedness incurred prior to the ratification of the agreement on June 28, 1898, it having been held that such fund is not applicable to the settlement of indebtedness incurred prior to that time.

The act, bearing the disapproval of the President, is respectfully enclosed.

Very respectfully,

J. E. Wright
U.S. Indian Inspector
for Indian Territory.

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Enclosure.