Kinta, Indian Territory, November 14, 1906.

Received from Green McCurtain Two hundred, eighty-one & 50/loo (\$281.50) Dollars, Two hundred (\$200.00) Dollars of same being two years' rent due Mrs. Betsy Holmes, deceased, by Sid Maxwell, and Hightyone & 50/1co (\$81.50) Dollars of same being a payment on a one hundred dollar note payable to Mrs. Betsy Holmes by Henry Cooper less Eighteen & 50/100 (\$18.50) Dollars for costs, in full of all demands.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE,

UNION AGENCY,

MUSKOGEE, IND. T., Nov. 24, 1906.

Honorable Green McCuratin,

Principal Chief of the Choctaw Nation,

Kinta, I. T.

Sir:

There is enclosed herewith Patent No. 13, conveying title to Lot 2, in Block 119, in the town of Hugo, to Gustavus L. Barr.

You will note that this patent was not signed by you, although the same has been dated and sealed. Findly sign and return this patent at your earliest convenience in the enclosed self addressed envelope, which requires no postage.

Very respectfully,

Acting

GIF(B) Enc. United States Indian Agent.

Too 24-06. Hon DC. McCurtain. So. Malexter S. Near Sir. - Judge Shepherd was there yesterday and addressed the Couvention on the dis posal of the surface Coal lands, and told the Convention that the only opposition to their method of dispose Came from the

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the Commition. & address this letter to you heave am satisfied that you are thoroughly Conversant with the governor's ideas and in the hope that I may have an cooly reply. Write me when you Chave any subjection of actions to the Fribus fest. B. J. Harrison.

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Nov. 26, 1906.

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Dear father; -I enclose you herewith letter that & Accenier pau Ben Darrison which I refer to you for your information En abation action you would to take therear. It ceeus to me that you had better wire Ben med asse That no action be taken in the way of memonaliques Congress on Indian uterests until the Indians can be heart, an then I their you has better evouse and prepare for hearing. Mr. Don.

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Nov., 26, 1906.

Gov. Green McCurtain, Kinta, Ind. Ty.

Dear Father:

You will remember that while you were at my house I received a letter from Brosius asking me to submit my views in a letter to him as to the best manner in which to dispose of the coal lands and deposits.

I have written a letter to him, and while I could not go into the full details of the exact manner of the sale I would suggest, yet I have given him my opinion on the matter generally.

I send you this letter, as you are interested in the matter not only as a member of the tribe, but as the head official of the Nation.

Your son,

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Nov., 26, 1906.

Hon.S.M.Brosius,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of a recent date, in which you request that I write you a letter stating my views as to the proper disposition of the coal lands and deposits belonging to the Choctaw and Chickasaw tribes in Indian Territory.

Happily I am able to say that the Choctaws and Chickasaws have expressed their preferences in this matter to the Senatorial Committee that has just recently visited this country, and I can, therefore, give you the exact position of the tribes on this most important interest. You are aware, of course, that a committee from the U.S. Senate composed of Senator Clark. of Wyoming, Chairman, Senator Long, of Kansas, Senator Teller, of Colorado, Senator Clark, of Montana, and Senator Brandagee, of Connecticut, has been in this country quite recently getting a view of the situation at close range in order that the Congress of the United States might be informed of the exact condition here. The Committee showed every disposition to get at the facts here and to this end hearings were had at several of the important places in the Territory, and at these hearings all classes were permitted to present their views on various matters of which Congress might be expected to take cognizance. At one of these sittings or hearings the Choctaw and Chickasaw people were accorded a hearing on matters affecting their interests, and among these things was presented the matter of the coal interests.

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regarding Briefly stated, the desire of the Choctaw and Chickasaw people the disposition of their coal properties is that they be disposed of in such manner as will command the very best price obtainable in the market be that from the Federal Government the State or private purchasers. During the hearing of the Choctaw and Chickasaw delegations it was suggested that the Federal Government buy these properties at such a price as a test of the market might show them to be worth; but one or two members of the Senate Committee discouraged this idea by promptly stating that the Government could be induced to take over this property. There exists no plan, of course, for the State to buy them, for the State has not yet come into existence, and when it does it will hardly be able financially to buy this extensive interest and pay the Indians for it, and that fact alone almost eliminates the State from further consideration as a probable purchaser. About the only chance the State would have at this time or in the immediate future to acquire these lands would be for the Federal Government to buy them and turn them over to the State; but it would be hard to induce Congress to do this for it is considered by many that the Federal Government has done all that it should be expected to do for the State, having appropriated five million dollars for the State school fund. Five million dollars would not be sufficient of course to pay for these lands even should it be desired to apply it in that direction. So, we are forced to the conclusion that the State can not be considered a very probable purchaser in the market unless the coal properties are to be sold on long time; and that would hardly be fair to the Indian owners.

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With the State and the United States eliminated from the market sphere, the tribes and the Federal Government must necessarily turn their attention to the matter and manner of disposing of these properties to private interests. As to what is the best plan for disposing of these lands, that is a matter that is now engaging the very best thought of the tribes, and I trust that it will receive as I believe it will the attention that it merits from the Congress of the United States. I am fully aware that during this era of "trust busting" there is a very strong disinclination to sell these properties to private interests. But what are the tribes to do if the Federal Government wont buy the lands, and the State Government can't buy them ? There is one thing that should be kept in mind. Mr. Brosius, and that is the plain duty of the Federal Government to sell or provide for the sale of these lands to the very best advantage for the tribes -- that is a duty the performance of which the Federal Government cannot well escape, if it it is going to do its duty to its wards; if it fails to do its duty in this, it cannot be justified in such failure on the ground that it didn't want to permit private interests to acquire these lands. The paramount consideration is or should be, the peguniary interest of the tribe; the question of allowing private interests to acquire the lands is a political matter that the Government must juggle with in its own way, but it is not such a matter as should be suffered to deprive the tribes of the full value or any part of the value of their lands.

Another thing to which I wish to call attention, that is the importance of the Federal Government either disposing of or providing definitely for the disposition of these lands before the State Government is inaugurated. Understand me, I am not expressing any opinion against the State acquiring the properties if they can do so and pay for them,—in fact. I would like to see the State get them under any condition that would be fair to the Indians. But whatever disposition is to be made of them, I want to see that settled definitely, if not finally and fully, hefore the State begins its operations, for if this question should ever become a political issue in this country to be bandled about as the political fortunes of the one or the other of the two parties might be affected, then the Indians' interest will be lost sight of entirely, for they will not be sufficient in numbers or political strength to protect themselves or their property.

I do not mean to offer any unjust criticism when I say that the Federal Government has made a miserable failure as a sales agent for the Indians in the matter of disposing of their coal interests; the failure is a fact, and needs no comment. But I do want to suggest this, and if your association feels that it would like to give attention to this matter in the Indians' behalf, and I feel sure that it does, and that is that the Indians be given a direct voice in the matter and manner of disposing of their property. Briefly, I would suggest that the coal be sold by a cormission composed of one person appointed by the President, one by the Principal Chief of the Choctaw Nation, and one by the Governor of the Chickasaw Nation; the sale to be approved by the President of the United States. This manner to apply even if the land is sold to the Federal Government, the State, or private purchasers.

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ATOKA, IND. TER., December, 1st. 1906

Gov. Green McCurtain,

Kinta, Ind. Terry.

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I had several interviews or conversations with Senath: Teller and he said that if I would get your entersement and other indians he felt sure that Congress would make an appropriation to help us establish our Indian Orphan's Home. After consultation with friends I have decided to ask Congress for \$100.000.00 dollars to be expended in erecting cottages for the children and old people. For a school building apel, a printing office, hospital, shops, bakery, cotton gin, it is hous water works &6. I would appreciate a letter from you favoring and recommending the appropriation.

In your letter you might set forth the fact that it located and Chickasaws gave the Home 3185 acres of land, that in as much as the Orphan's schools of the Choctaw Nation will soon be closed and the bullings and furniture sold, there will be turned loose in a untry least three hundred additional orphans with nowhere to go and in cases no one to care for them; but if Congress gave us the money of erect the buildings above named we could care for many, if not for a of these orphans.

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Sincerely,

Kinta, Indian Territory, December 3, 1906.

Hon. J. George Wright,

U. S. India Inspector,

Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:-

Replying to your communication of November 27, 1906, relative to an act o council making appropriation of \$4000.00 for salary of the c coal commissioner appointed by the President as provided by Section 59 (of the Supplemental Agreement with the Chectars and Chickasaws which provided that the segregat d coal land should be sold within three years from the ratification of such acts or before September 25, 1905. You further state that you are directed by the Department to Jood Sain and . count what services said comesioner has performed September 25, 1905, and amounts have been paid him. In real thereto, I dose to say that the coal commissioner has regularly appeared at Washington, D. C. at the opening of the scaled bias in the attempted sale of said coal lands; that prior thereto he had been regularly commissioned and that since that time he has received his salary at the rate of four thousand dollars per a mum. You further aks information as to the appropriation made for officers under the Chectaw government in commection with the tribal courts and request to be advised what service has been rendered by said officers in connection with such tribal courts and what particularly duties they perform. In reply to this inquiry you are respectfully informed that these courts were continued by act of congress without motion upon the part of the Indians. The interior Department has seen fit to with-hold the funds due the Chectaw government under





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December 15th 1906

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Governor Green McCurtin,

Kinta, I.T.

Dear Governor:-

On my return to the office I found your favor of the 10th awaiting me in which you advise me that you sent to me, for my wife, a pair of Indian moccasins. She received them several days ago and desires me to thank you sincerely for them. They are certainly very pretty and are very highly appreciated.

whenever I can serve you in this section of the country or in Washington, where I hope soon to be, you have only to command me.

Hoping you will have a happy Christmas I beg to remain,
Your Friend,

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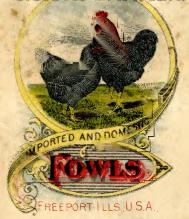
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