delay, he was officially informed that Congress had appropriated twenty thousand dollars to cover his claim; but what became of it he never knew as not one dollar of it ever came to him.

A daughter & a nephew of Captain Black Beaver attended the school at the Wichita Agency during the eight months I was engaged in it. The daughter Lucy, afterward married a white man by the name of Osborn, who was killed in his cornfield during the battle of the Washita river in 1874.

The nephew Soldier, perished in the flames when the first school house erected at the Wichita Agency was burned.

tween the Kiowa camp and the Agency, and feeling much depressed with illness, I concluded to remain in at the Agency for a while, and try the effect of better diet. On the 16th inst. I went to the Wichita Agency, and spent a few days there, during which I rode out to several Caddo settlements, also to the Pawnee, Wichita, and Comanche camps.

The Caddoes are rapidly improving. When I first became acquainted with them there were but two or three farms among them, and their houses, though of pretty good size, were of the most miserable description, being close, dark, smoky, and filthy. Now they have about two thousand acres broken for crops, over one hundred good frontier houses, with windows of glass, doors and chimneys, with some household furniture — tables, chairs, bedsteads, and the like. The houses have been mostly built by themselves. They have also quite a quantity of stock, besides ponies. The school is in a flourishing condition, having about sixty scholars, and a prospect of twelve or fifteen more in a few days.

On a little tour around among the camps, with Dr. F. Grinnell, we found the Pawnees indulging in an athletic sport requiring the exercise of some skill, as well as practice, to perform.

Two of them, grown men, had a ring of some flexible material, about four inches in diameter, and each of them a straight wooden rod, about four feet in length, with a small knob or button at one end and a double hook at the other, similar to the flukes of an anchor on