

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

Inclosures.

OFFICE OF U. S. INDIAN INSPECTOR,

FOR

INDIAN TERRITORY,

Muscogee, Ind. Ter., December 21, 1898 .

Mr. Solomon J. Homer,  
National Secretary Choctaw Nation,  
Caddo, Ind. Ter.

Dear Sir:-

I return herewith two acts passed by your recent National Council in October, last, which have been returned to me by the Honorable Secretary of the Interior for the reason that they have not been prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Atoka agreement. By reference to the Curtis Act, Section 29, you will see that when Acts are passed by the National Council they must be certified by the National Secretary of the Nation and not the Governor thereof as provided by the Act of June 7, 1897.

I inclose herewith forms that you will observe in the future preparation of these acts, which I have marked on the corners thereof for reference. All acts must be engrossed and SIGNED while the Council is in session and before presenting to the Governor for his approval, all surplus matter being eliminated. A careful observance of these instructions will save annoyance and delay to all parties concerned. The seal of the Nation must be affixed to each act as well as to the certificate of the National secretary.

I have enclosed forms of the certificates I consider necessary to attach to the returned acts, prepared in accordance with the direction of the Department, and they should be regularly made out by you on paper the size of the acts, that is cap size, neatly typewritten, signed, and sealed and returned to me without delay. You must also impress the seal

To the section which the Secretary of State has referred to the  
Senate with some difficulty and which was to be referred to the Committee  
on Foreign Affairs, it was agreed to refer the same to the Senate Committee  
on Armed Forces, and the Senate Committee on Armed Forces, in accordance  
with the resolution of the Senate, has referred the same to the Committee on  
Armed Forces. A copy of the resolution of the Senate Committee on Armed  
Forces is as follows:

In the consideration of such a proposition the assurance of the  
Department is an item of such  
importance as requires our thought  
as well as the action of the Senate  
in accordance with the resolutions of the House of Representatives.

I respectfully submit that the Senate Committee on Armed Forces has  
arrived at the conclusion that the action of the Senate in this matter  
should be taken in accordance with the resolution of the House of Repre-  
sentatives.

Садко вил. лев.  
Ивановъ Гаврилъ Симеонъ Ивановъ  
и. Гавриловъ

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of the Nation upon the Act itself to show that it is properly authenticated.. The old forms of certificates used by the Governor under the Act of June 7, 1897, can no longer be used.

Owing to the erasures and amendments to the acts herewith returned I have thought it necessary to insert in your certificate the amount finally agreed upon by the Council to be appropriated and expended under said acts. But in future if the acts are properly engrossed and signed before the adjournment of the Council the forms mentioned first in this letter will be correct.

Very respectfully,

J. Geo Wright

U. S. Indian Inspector.

Dear,

Find two acts herin with  
my certificate, please attach  
the seal so that the impress

of the seal will be on both  
the act and my certificate, you  
can do this by simply opening the  
act out full and putting the  
seal to act & certificate at the  
same time. Do this and send

~~to the quipper with the college.~~

~~be the good people to the government of  
expenditure etc etc. but in that it is best to be enclosed  
when no longer wanted to be able to be  
left to the person who is necessary to handle it only  
the letter.~~

~~on the arrival of the statement and enclosures to the acts relating~~

~~not to issue a bill can no longer be used.~~

~~as per the forms of certificates used by the general office the  
one to the institution upon the fact itself so soon that it is to be enclosed in~~