

Tushkahoma, Indian Territory, October 13, 1899.

To the Senate and House of Representatives, General Council of the Choctaw Nation:

Your Committee on Finance having had under consideration the petition of Mrs. Jane F. McCurtain, late Superintendent of Jones Academy, asking for relief on account of losses incurred, by her, have investigated the matter and find that she was superintendent for 2 1/3 years; that during that and up to this time the Nation has been financially embarrassed and unable to pay Mrs. McCurtain cash with which to run the school.

We find that she had good personal credit and in order to keep up the school she borrowed money <sup>on</sup> which she had to pay interest; and that while she was superintendent she bought supplies of all kinds on credit, and our warrants have so decreased in value, that no one would take them.

While this committee is unwilling to set a general precedent of allowing interest to parties who had to pay interest on account of being unable to get their warrants cashed, still we think that in cases like Mrs. McCurtain, who spent all her personal cash and even sold her beef cattle to raise money on which to continue the school; and this Committee believes that but for her sacrifices and personal endeavors, the school would have been closed.

Therefore this Committee recommends that an exception be made in her case, and that she be allowed relief for the actual amount of interest paid by her.

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