RESOLUTION

DENYING FURTHER COMPENSATION TO S.W.PEEL FOR LEGAL SERVICES RENDERED AND STATING THE REASONS THEREFOR.

Your Finance Committee, to whom was referred the claim of S.W.Peel for legal services rendered in the suit of the Pike heirs vs the Choctaw Nation, respectfully submit the following report.to-wit:

By an Act of the General Council of the Choctaw Nation approved october 19,1893, the office of Delegate to Congress of the United States was created. This Act, after fixing the compensation of said Delegate, provided in Sec. 5:

"That said Delegate is authorized and empowered to employ such attorneys as he may deem advisable, and by and with the advice and consent of the Principal Chief, on requision drawn by said Delegate and countersigned by the Principal Chief of the Choctaw Nation, on the National Treasurer of the Choctaw Nation, to disburse and expend not more than two thousand dollars per annum in payment of such attorney, or attorneys so employed by said Delegate."

Under this Act S.W. Peel was employed by the Delegate of the Choetaw Nation and a warrant was drawn in his favor for two thousand dollars, as follows:

No.

\$2,000.00

NATIONAL AUDITORIS WARRANT.
THE TREASURER OF THE CHOCTAW NATION:

Pay S.W.Peel, or order, two thousand dollars, attorney to Washington, D.C., 1895, out of the National Treasury, appropriated to pay National expenses.
Given at Tushkahoma, this 12th day of November, 1895.

G.W. Dukes, Auditor.

It will be observed that the delegate had no power to bind the Nation for more than the sum above provided, and any contract made in excess of that amount by said Delegate was beyond the scope of his authority. Wherefore we recommend the adoptionof the following resolution.

BE IT RESOLVED

BY THE GENERAL COUNCIL OF THE CHOCTAW NATION ASSEMBLED.

That the claim of S.W.Peel for additional compensation for legal services rendered in the suit of the Pike heirs vs Choctaw Nation be denied; and that this resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

> Jackson James Chairman Finance Committ ce Committee

Bill no 36 Read . Interpreted passed A Res olution derying The Renales, and referred fur ther Compens atton to Lower House. This now -So S. W. Peel for 3-1903- James Bowed. Ones. of Sensie. Legel Services rendered and Oxaling the reasons there of Joulvanien, Recording Durelang). Filed in the office of the National Read duter foreled Secretary of the Choctaw N :ion pas sed the House 5 day of nov 100 % Estwilson and refurred to the National Secretary. Principal Chief this november 3rd 1403 attest Speaker of The Hora E. E. Dyer Che Decty of nov-1903 Jun milartain principal chief cholaw ration