

There are questions as to jurisdiction arising between our people and our brothers of the Seminole Nation, Growing out of the fact that the United States Government sold to, and settled the Seminoles upon (175000) One Hundred and seventy five thousand acres more or less, of land belonging to our people. These questions are becoming more complicated and should be settled at as early a day as practicable. I would therefore recommend that a suitable delegation be appointed, composed of not more than two persons to proceed to the capital by the session of said lands to the United States, or otherwise, asking for them but a just and fair value, a sum which a just and fair Government could give, and to attend to any other interest our people have which might arise before the Congress of the U. S. or the Departments. Subject however to the approval of the National Council.

For the Financial Condition of the Nation I refer you to the Report of the Treasurer, and recommend that some plan be adopted to liquidate our National debt at as early a day as possible. The sacrifices our people make in discounting their Warrents to the amount they do, in unjust and burthensome. I would recommend in all things the strictest economy, to scrutenize every claim, making no appropriation, except for that which is just and equitable, and necessary of the Public good and the Expenses of the Nation.

Forget past differences and party feeling, and Legislate for the best interests of the entire people of the Muskoke Nation.