

crops and our stock raisers with a like increase in their herds.

By an act of the last session of the congress of the United States our agency was abolished and the duties of Agent transferred to the Hon. Commissioner of Indian Affairs.

The treaty of 1866, between our people and that Government provides for a Reservation of land upon which to erect buildings for the use of the U. S. Agent, which in case of Abandonment was to revert to the Muskoke (Creek) Nation upon the payment of a reasonable compensation.

I have as yet received no official information of the Abandonment of the buildings at the late Union Agency.

Whether the Abolishment of our Agency was a wise measure or not; is not for me to say; Our people have always looked upon the person appointed by the United States as our Agent, as Placed among us, to see that our treaties were faithfully observed, and carried out; that the laws regulating trade and intercourse were enforced; that our rights under treaties were not trespassed upon by intruders or unlawful persons; and to preserve peace among us.

Disturbances have hereto fore arose between our people and citizens of the United States, and also between our own people.

In trouble we have looked at our Agent, and the United States as mediator and peace maker. To the first for a faithful, true and impartial representation of facts. Being among us, and upon the ground, these could easily be obtained. Although his powers to