COMMISSIONERS: TAMS BIXBY, THOMAS B. NEEDLES, C. R. BRECKINRIDGE, W. E. STANLEY.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR. COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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ALLISON L. AYLESWORTH, SECRETARY.

ADDRESS ONLY THE COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

Muskogee, Indian Territory, August 1, 1903.

Hon. Green McCurtain,

Principal Chief Choctaw Nation,

Sans Bois, Indian Territory.

Sir:

The Commission has been informed by the Department of the Interior that you and the Governor of the Chickasaw Nation have been written, under date of July 7, 1903, relative to the advisability of negotiating a supplemental treaty for the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations to cover certain matters not provided for in the last agreement.

It is desired and you are requested to inform the Commission what steps have been taken, or are likely to be taken, to carry into effect the suggestions contained in the letter of the Secretary of the Interior to you above mentioned.

An early reply will greatly oblige,

Respectfully.

Commissioner in Charge.

Mr Isaac King,

Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas.

Dear sir:

In reply to your letter of the 26th ult, I have to say that on Tuesday, the 28th ult, I was in Ft. Swith and had a conference with the attorney in your case. He expressed great hopes of obtaining pardon for you boys, yet you all must never rely too much on this but must look on thedark side of your trouble. Keep in good spirit and think ofyour God in Heaven, who is more able to give you relief than all the powers of this world. Remember that myself and some of my friends will never let up in our effort to secure the release of you boys. Jeff Cooper is doing all he can to get back to you boys. Since he came back he has cut Ott Neil and done a great many other similar things. The last trouble he got into was with Jim Cole. Jim Cole went to arrest him and Jeff wrung the pistol out of his hand and knocked him down and threw him down; I never did get the particulars, at any rate he got Jim's pistol and went to shoot him and Jim caught the hammer. If that is true he has a hard case against him. Well, boys, I am doing and am going to do all I can to ge you boys out, and when you get out you must be good boys and let whisk alone. With my best wishes to all, I am, Your friend.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, BUREAU OF ANIMAL INDUSTRY, LOCAL OFFICE.

Mi Curtain Oklu. Aug 3 1915 mr Seo. Scott. Kenta Oktu. I wish very much to meet you and your neighbours, at Kinta Okla, next Saturday for the purpose of starting tick endication work him your neighbourhood. I expect to be in Kinta Saturday forenoon twould like to meet as many geofle as possible. Let me know by return mail as to whether I can expect to see you on the date meitered Postal Card requires no stamp. Very respectfully

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Hon. Green Fre Curtain

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Sir. Withing to oblain a Charter for a ferry across the link. River at Redland IT and being referred to you by the Indian agy. as the proper derson to apply to

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Sans Bois, I.T., August 3,19

Mr Will Wirsing,

Pt.Smith, Ark.

Dear sir:

Enclosed find the for \$20.00, in payment of your bill rendered, for which you will give me credit, and oblige,

Yours truly,

Mr C.C. Mathis,

Monroe, I.T.

Dear Si

I am just in receipt of your letter of July 30,1905, and am glad to know that you have been passed by the Dawes Commission.

I will see the attorneys and call their attention to the matter.

I wish you would wire me the result of the election, to Kintah, I.T., as soon as you know.

Yours truly,

Honorable J. George Wright,

United States Indian Inspector,

Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:-

Homer, of Conser, I.T., with reference to churches located on coal land that has been segregated. He says that there are two churches in his vicinity located on segregated coal land, and he wants to know what they are to do with them. Being unable to advise him in this matter I therefore respectfully make the same inquiry of you.

Wery respectfully,

Sans Bois, I.T., 1903.

Mr A.H. Homer,

Conser, I.T.

Dear sir:

Itam just in receipt of your letter of July 30,1903, and in reply desire to say that I have this day written the Interior Department asking the questions asked in your letter, and as soon as I get a reply will advise you.

Yours truly,

Messrs Hayes & Co.

Redland, I.T.

Gentlemen:

In reply to your letter of the 3rd inst, I beg to advise that it will be necessary for you to make a trade with the citizen who has alloted the land on the bank of the river where you desire to make a landing.

Yours truly,

Prin.Chief C.N.

CENERAL MERCHANDUSE

Mr J.J. Moore,

Red oak, I.T.

Dear sir;

I am just in receipt of your letter of the 3rd inst and in reply desire to say that I am informed that there is a lot of good average land up on the neighborhood of Tamaha that can be allotted. I would not advise anyone to go to the Chickasaw Nation, as I am informed that all that country is controlled by those land companies and it is almost impossible to get hold of it unless you make a lease on it for five years. I think the best plan is to hunt up land in the Choctaw Nation.

I wish you would wire me the result of the election in your county as soon as you know, to Kintah.

GMcC(W)

Your friend,

Mr Walter Paterson,

Ryan, I.T.

Dear sir:

I am just in receipt of your letter of July 29,1903, and in reply desire to say that Margret Pickens is on the Chostaw Pay roll, but her name got there through some mistake, as there is no doubt about her being a Chickasaw. The only way that her name can be transferred will be to go to work and secure affidavits of persons who know her and her people, and then take the matter up with the Dawes Commission, and it may be that you can in this way get her name transferred. If you desire it I can secure affidavits

from persons who know, that will be of help to you in the matter but I think it better for you to get all the proof you can and then take the matter up with the Corrission yourself.

Everything now points to an overwhelming victory for the Tushkahoma party tomorrow.

Your friend,

Honorable T.B. Needles,

Commissioner in Charge,

Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:-

Replying to your letter of the 1st inst, wherein you state that the Department of the Interior had written the Governor of the Chickasaw Mation, and myself, with reference to the negotiation of a suplemental treaty for the two Nations, to cover certain matters not provided for in the last agreement, I beg to advise that I, some days ago, wrote Governor Mosley with reference to this matter, but as yet have had no reply. If I do not hear from him in a very short time I will transmit to the Department my views on the matter.

CMcC(W) Very respectfully,

Mr Hampton Burris,

Newburg, I.T.

Dear sir:

In reply to your letter of August 3,1903, you are advised that there is no law to prevent you from allotting land on which is located a church that belongs to non-citizens. They have no rights in the premises, and I would therefore advise you, if you want the land, to go ahead and allot it.

GMCC(W)

Yours truly



Bank of Grant Capital, \$25,000.00

Grant, J.J.

Aug. 8, 1903.

Hon. Secretary of the Interior,

Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:-

I have rented a pasture of a citizen and want to raise mules and cattle in this enclosure. There being no tax on non-citizen's stock(in this the Choctaw Nation) will I violate any law by breading and raising my stock in this enclosure?

Respectfully.

G.W. Dodd.



Department of the Interior,
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M. A. WEBB, CASHIE

Mr J.L.Helms,

Herbert, I.T.

Dear sir:

In reply to your Letter of the 4th inst, you are advised that the laws of the Chostaw Nation require all non-citizens to keep their hogs in an enclosure.

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Yours truly,

B. G. Rhodes & Co. ******** CAPACITY of PLANT Manufacturers of KILN BURNED BUSHELS YEARLY. CHARCOAL Mr. Enem, Mr. Curtaig. T. C. C. Ma. San Brig Respected Sir. I venture to hope that you to my assistance in permiting athers to take a sew days recreation in your mation during the Man. promise a Shat the straitforward lung is the lest always auxiously abacting the result of your consideraban an This important support. we authorshy in vite you to visit and comp if me and allowed the privilige which will he is the winding stain but. in what is called Horsefun branch Sugar Tout Co.

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Executive Office Choctaw Nation Green McCurtain, Principal Chief Sons Bois, J. J. aug-10-1903 Hon . D. E. Lewis Do mealester, J.J. yours of the 7th inst received and I must, in Capty- say that your services to the nation is valuable. But your conduct to the administration and the attornies, for the nation, has become nusance, charging my self and the attorners that we are to get 10 per cent of what was court Samants, and beside this D. C. told me that you had also included him and the attornies in This coal deal or stral or what wer you may have been calling it now and Dimost while I know that any person with least common sense would believe such aport.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, August 11, 1903.

Honorable Green McCurtain,

Sansbois, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

Mr. H. Van V. Smith, Special Agent of the United States
Government now in Mississippi reports to this office that he will,
on the twelfth instant, leave Meridian, Mississippi, with some four
hundred full blood identified Mississippi Choctaws. These Indians
are indigent and are being moved from Mississippi to the Choctaw
Nation, Indian Territory, under the provisions of the act of Congress
approved March 3, 1903, which appropriated twenty thousand dollars
for this specific purpose.

Owing to the fact that these Indians must be treated to an extent in the nature of incompetents, this office has decided that the best interests of the Indians and the government will be protected by suspending the rule requiring personal application to be made for allotments and the Commission assume the duty of personally locating these Indians upon their allotments in the Choctaw Nation.

The special agent of the government having in charge this work will arrive at Atoka, Choctaw Nation, Indian Territory, on the afternoon of August 14, 1903, and the Atoka Land Office has this day been instructed to render every assistance possible for the expedi-

tious location of these Indians.

I have in this connection to request that you suggest three Choctaws by blood who could assist the Commission in this matter and direct such persons as you may suggest to report to Mr. Wm. H. Angell, Clerk in Charge, Choctaw Land Office, at Atoka, Indian Territory, not later than August 15, 1903. These persons will be paid a salary of Three Dollars a day exclusive of Sundays and legal holidays and such actual expense as may be incurred by them in the performance of this duty.

In view of the brief time within which to act in this matter I have to request that you advise me by wire of your concurrence in this matter and also if you will be able to secure the services of three such persons as suggested by the fifteenth instant.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

Sans Bois, I.T., August 12,190

Mr O.S. Lawrence,

Ashland, I.T.

Dear sir:

In reply to your letter of the 10th, you are advised that you can cut all the hay you want for your own use without the payment of any royalty. However, the Department has ruled that all persons, whether citizens or not, must pay the royalty on all hay cut and sold, and if you desire to cut this hay for the market it will be necessary for you to give bond for the royalty; but if you are cutting it for your own use, and for no other purpose, this is not necessary.

Yours truly,

Prin.Ohief Co.

Mr H.A. Homor,

Conser, I.T.

Dear sir:

Replying further to your letter of July 30,1903, I herewith enclose letter just received from J.George Wright, U.S. Indian Inspector, which gives you the information requested. Until the improvements on segregated lands have been paid for the citizen has the right to use same.

Yours truly,

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Mr Amos Yenry,

Walls, I.T.

Dear sir:

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Mississippi, to arrive in Atoka on the 14th inst. After due consideration of the matter I have decided to appoint yours&&f, Lon Harkins
and L.C. LeFlore, for this duty, and have so advised the Commission.
You will receive instructions from Mr Angell with reference to the
work to be done. I trust you may find this a pleasant and profitable
duty.

Yours truly,

Mr Lon Harkins,

Atoka, I.T.

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Mr LLC LeFlore,

c/o W.H.Angell, Clerk in charge,
Atoka, Indian Territory.

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Yours truly,

T.B. Needles, Commissioner in Charge,

Muskogee, I.T.

mos Henry, Malle, Your letter eleventh, have instructed Henry L.C.LeFlore, Caddo, Lon Harkins, Atoka, to report to Angell morning fifteenth.

Green McCurtain.

Henry Ansley,

S.McAlester, I.T.

You will report to Chief Clerk Angell, Atoka, on morning August fifteenth. instructions mailed you today in his care. Green McCurtain.

(Send above message also to Lon Harkins, Atoka, I.T. and L.C. Lewlore, Caddo, I.T.)

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Messrs Weldon, Williams & Lick,

Fort Smith, Arkansas.

Gentlemen:

I herewith enclose my check for \$20.00 in payment of your bill for stationary recently sent me. Please acknowledge receipt and oblige,

Yours truly,

Donlyg August 15 1403 Gonner deer Sir I will write you a line to do if the Sharef Reported d. w. creage to your office or dot the sheret and indian police was down some Time a go looking after him but I has not heard any more Send pleese write me whith or crot and it ofot I mile give you some infermation ; This leves all well shoping to find all the same I under Stand that Craige is you To ship all outles that is patter dot yours Truly R. B. Thompson

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Honorable D.C.McCurtain,

S.McAlester, I.T.

Dear son:

In reply to your letter of recent date, wherein you recommend the appointment of William Ansley, vice S.E.Lewis, suspended, I
beg to herewith enclose Commission for said Ansley, of even date, which
you will please deliver to him, at the same time expressing the desire
that he make an efficient officer. I have this day directed the
Auditor to draw warrants henseforth in his favor.

Dic-GM Encl. Your father,

er S.E.Lewis,

S.McAlester, I.T.

Dear sir:

In reply to your letter of recent date, I beg to herewith advise that I have this day suspended you from the office of Citizenship Commissioner for the Chostaw Nation, and have appointed W.

Ansley in your stead. You will therefore have no further business connection with this office.

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Yours truly,

Mr D.C. Merryman,

Bengall, I.T.

Dear sir:

I(rm just in receipt of your letter of the 11th inst and in reply desire to say that I am unable to tell you why the intermarriage roll is held in the Interior Department. However there has been one list already approved and published, and I have that the others will be forthcoming soon.

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Yours truly,