

Kintah, I.T., September 2, 1903.

Mr Sidney Sage,

Talihina, I.T.

Dear sir:

In reply to your letter of recent date, you are advised that J.C. Curtice and those claiming under him are court citizen. However, if Stowe is cutting hay and selling same he is liable for royalty on same, and the Sheriff should so report.

Yours truly,

Prin. Chief C.N.

Kintah, I.T., September 2, 1903.

Mr W.H.Heflin,

Gillham, Ark.

Dear sir:

I am just in receipt of your letter of the 29th ult. and note what you say with reference to your application for admission as an Intermarried citizen before the Dawes Commission. This is a matter that is peculiarly within the province of the Dawes Commission and I do not feel that I could aid you materially in any way. Congress has seen fit to vest this power in its own officers, and has taken whatever authority the Choctaws once had and placed it in the hands of the United States Government. It might be well for you to personally visit the Commission at Muskogee, and ascertain the reasons for their refusal to enroll you.

Yours truly,

Prin. Chief C.N.

Department of the Interior,

UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE,

UNION AGENCY,

Muskogee, Ind. T., September 3 1903

Hon. Green McCurtain,

Prin. Chief, Choctaw Nation,

Sans Bois, I. T.

Sir:

There is enclosed herewith a communication from W. C. Galloway dated at Morris, I. T., in which he requests permission to drive his cattle through the Choctaw Nation to his lease in the Creek Nation, for such action by you as is deemed necessary.

Very respectfully,

J. H. Shoup.

U. S. Indian Agent.

JBS(E)

Mon Ind. Ter,
Thurs Sep 3 1903
Hon Gov Green McFurtain
Savbois I.T.
Dear Sir

I write you in
in regard to helping me
to get my wife on the role
she is entitle to her part
of the land same as any
other intermarried citizen
But the Commissioners wont
enrole her because I tried
to have Registered as a
intermarried Chickaraw I
did not know that we had

been changed from the
Chickasaw Role to the
Choctaw Role untill I went
to file on my land
I could of had her on the
Role if I had of known
we were on the Choctaw Role
in time

We went before the commission
at Ada when they were there
they didnot tell me then that
they were going to change our
names to the Choctaw Role
I have papers to show ~~that~~
~~that~~ my children were
enroled as Chickasaws

let me hear from you
at once

Resp. Elias Tolson.

Department of the Interior,

UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE,

UNION AGENCY,

Conodion
(Muskogee, Ind. T., 9/5-1903

Hon. Gen. Mc. Gowan

P. C. C. Nation

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Sir:

I herewith transmit you names of non-citizens who are holding more cattle than the Choctaw laws allows them to, and ask that you transmit them to the Agent, that he may furnish me with the proper papers to remove them from the Choctaw Nation & D. T. It seems that the Sheriff is not trying to do anything in this matter, the names are as follows, H. Benson, Conodion, D. T. about 200 head of cattle, J. J. Jones, Conodion D. about 150 head of cattle, Chas. Bradshaw, Indianola, D. T. about 100 head of cattle, Fred Browne, Massey, D. T. about 500 head, I ask that you have the

Department of the Interior,

UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE,

UNION AGENCY,

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as he removed from the Nation
to Terrell

Very Resp.

H. E. Marrison
U. S. Indian Agent

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

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WASHINGTON.

September 5, 1903.

LRS

Hon. Green McCurtain,
Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation,
Sans Bois, Indian Territory.

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 18th last, transmitted by the U.S. Indian Inspector for Indian Territory on August 20th, in which you invite attention to the necessity of formulating some definite and practical plan looking to a personal supervision in aiding the fullblood Choctaws in securing descriptions of the lands they desire to select as their allotments. The Inspector states that the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes has previously made reports to the Department in the matter of the approval of the act of the General Council referred to by you, and recommends that, inasmuch as these matters pertain wholly to the work of allotment, your letter be referred to said Commission for report. Concurring in that recommendation, I have sent your communication to the Commission for its report upon the matters therein presented.

Respectfully,

Shoshau
Acting Secretary.

Executive Office Choctaw Nation

Green McCurtain, Principal Chief

Sans Bois, Indian Territory, September 5, 1903.

To The President,

Washington, D. C.,

Sir:

I understand that George K. Pritchard, of North Carolina is an applicant for the position of United States Marshal of the Central District of the Indian Territory which is wholly within the Choctaw Nation.

Kowing the conditions that exist here at this time, I am satisfied that it would be unwise to appoint a man to this position who has been connected with the administration of the Marshal's office. A man to be Marshal of the Central District should be a man of courage, and of the strictest integrity.

From what I know of Mr. Pritchard, I am confident that he would make a capable and efficient officer, and I therefore give him my unqualified endorsement.

Very respectfully,

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

Executive Office Choctaw Nation

Green McCurtain, Principal Chief

Sans Bois, Indian Territory, September 5, 1903.

PERSONAL.

Honorable E. A. Hitchcock,
Secretary of the Interior,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I am advised that F. S. Genung of South McAlester, Indian Territory, who is chief office deputy under B. F. Hackett, United States Marshall for the Central District of the Indian Territory left for Washington a few days ago; and that in leaving he made the statement that he would return to the Indian Territory with an appointment, either as Chairman of the Choctaw townsite Commission or as United States Marshall for the Central District of the Indian Territory.

I am not definitely informed that vacancies exist in these offices or that the matter of the appointment of successors to the present incumbents is now being considered; but in view of the statement of Mr. Genung of his purposes to this end, considering what I and my people know of Mr. Genung and his official conduct in the Choctaw Nation, I am constrained to appeal to you to use your good offices to prevent the consummation of what he says he is able to bring about.

Mr. Genung has been chief office deputy in the office of the United States Marshall for the Central District of the Indian Territory for the past several years, and his official conduct and

the conduct of the Marshall's office and of his administration, in connection with matters affecting the rights and interests of the Choctaws, has been characterized by prejudice and unfairness toward our people throughout. So much so that his appointment as Chairman of the Choctaw townsite Commission or as United States Marshall for the Central District of the Indian Territory would be distasteful to our people in the highest degree and tend to aggravate the ill feeling and bitter controversies for which the office of United States Marshall has been largely responsible; and on behalf of my people I appeal to you to prevent his appointment to either of these positions.

It is not my purpose, on behalf of the Choctaw people, to attempt to interfere in these matters beyond the point which is entirely proper; but inasmuch as the incumbents of both of these offices are directly and constantly connected with the and political rights and interests of the Choctaws, I feel that I am warranted in stating the facts as they exist, for your consideration in connection with the application of this man for appointment; and I know of no way of expressing my views and the views of my people any better than to appeal to you, and such is the purpose of this letter.

Our only interest is that men be selected for appointment to positions where our rights and interests are involved, who are fair and just and free from bias and prejudice, and who will dis-

charge the duties incumbent upon them with justness and fairness toward all, citizens and non-citizens alike.

The official conduct of this man throughout the past several years, as he has come in contact with the rights and interests of the Choctaw people, shows that he is not capable of a fair and impartial administration of public duties, where our rights and interests are involved; and his appointment to either of the positions to which he aspires would be received by our people with the keenest regret.

Trusting that this matter may have your personal attention and that you will understand that in submitting this appeal I am prompted only by a desire to promote the best interests of the Choctaw people whom I represent, I am,

Very respectfully,

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation

Kintah'I.T., September 7, 1903.

Mr W.H.Holleman,

Holloran, I.T.

Dear sir:

I herewith enclose letter just received from Hon.J.Blair Shoenfelt, U.S. Indian Agent, with reference to cattle held by W.W.Jones which explains itself.

Yours truly,

Prin.Chief C.W.

Kintah, I.T., September 7, 1903.

Honorable J. Blair Shoenfelt,
United States Indian Agent,
Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:--

In reply to your letter of the 3rd inst, wherein you enclose letter from W.C. Galloway, of Morris, I.T., with reference to driving cattle through the Choctaw Nation, you are advised that I have this day advised this gentleman with reference to the law on the subject. I had a letter from this same person some time since with reference to this matter and I replied to the same stating the law to him.

Very respectfully,

Prin. Chief C.N.

Kintah, I.T., September 7, 1903.

Mr W.C.Galloway,

Morris, I.T.

Dear sir:

Your letter of recent date, addressed to J.B.Shoenfelt, U.S.Indian Agent, has been referred to this office for appropriate reply and in reply to the same you are advised that you can use this letter as a pass to use should any of the officers of the Choctaw Nation in any manner attempt to stop your cattle as you are driving same through the Choctaw Nation, it being understood that you will use due dilligence in driving them through the Choctaw Nation as soon as possible after starting them.

Yours truly,

Prin.Chief C.N.

Sept 7 1903

to inform is - May Concern
as having been reported to the
men of the Cheolene Station that
the undersigned had sent
of cattle running on the Public Road
of the Cheolene Station contrary to
laws of the Cheolene Station.

Now I do make oath of my own
will and record, that - All the cattle
in the Cheolene Station is Eighteen
Big and Little and I have been trying
to sell them all but - three with cows
I have three head of the above cattle
and will be returned this evening
or tomorrow morning

Respectfully

W. C. Johnston
Mort

Witness
W. A. Chalkin
J. W. McBrink

Subscribed and sworn to before me
a Notary Public in and for Central Texas
this 7 day of Sep 1903
Notary Public

Hugo 25 9/7-1903

To Whome is May Concerne
It having been Reported to the Governor
of the Choctaw Nation that I was
Holding More Cattle in the Choctaw Nation
and Running on the Public Domain than
the Law Allowed &c

Now I Herely Make Affidavit of
My Own free Will and Accord that all
the Cattle big little Old or young I have
Running on the Public Domain of the
Choctaw Nation is Seven Head and
Four Head in my lot

Respectfully
G. S. Davis.

Subscribed and Sworn to before me
a Notary Public in and for Central
Dist 2 of this the 7 day of Sep 1903
W. S. Burbaugh
My Commission Expires in 1904 Notary Public

I Here by Certify that I am known to all
of Mr Davis' Cattle and Eleven Head is
all that he has on the Public Domain
of the Choctaw Nation

I am a citizen of the Choctaw Nation } John L. McIntosh
Subscribed and Sworn to before me this the
7 day of Sep 1903
W. S. Burbaugh
Notary Public

Whitefield S. T.
Sept. 7 '03

Governor McConrath

Sans Bois S. T.

I herewith
inclose letter from Chair-
man Bixby.

Is it necessary
for me to reply to this?
if so what reply should
best be made?

Yours Truly
D. C. Hall

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NORMA E. SMISER, EDITOR.

Atoka, I. T., Sept. 8 - 1903.

Dear Gen. McCurtain -

I fully agree with you
- that the "so called" Jacob Jackson
convention called for Atoka should
be ignored. From what I see &
put together, I think Joe Ralls is
the promoter of this scheme, and
I think he is kinder sore over
the flat failure to get any rep-
resentative men here. During the
last week these newspaper reporters
have interviewed me on "the situation"
here - the Kansas City Star & Times
and St. Louis Republic men. I
see in the Star of yesterday an
article which in the main is
about as I told him. He was very kind
and honest in keeping his promise

— that he would not use my
name. I am glad to see that
he gives you the credit, due you,
for getting the new rules & reg-
ulations on allotting. In this
week's issue Mr. R. C. McCutcheon's
2nd answer to J. G. Rains will be
published. I think his answer
complete & forceful. About two weeks
ago Frank Threlkett came to my
Office and asked that Mr. Smith
and I write to you in behalf of
getting his father reinstated on the
townsite work. I told him I did
not think such was best for his
father's interests— that if his father
had a defense or vindication of
himself I thought you would be
more favorably impressed if he would
go to you in person & face to face

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Atoka, I. T., 1903.

State his case. Frank is very, very sore over his association & connection with the Hunter faction and talk very freely admitting this and giving me a full account of affairs. One item - the Boswell Bank is still carrying that \$500.00 draft issued by the Crowd at Paris to pay off the Duke Hunter Council. He admits that he knows Hunter took some lots in many towns in lieu of a low appraisement. You know the old adage - "When thieves fair out too". Remember me very kindly to your wife & family and Mr. Foster. Thanks for your interest in suggesting as you did. Sincerely
Norma E. Smiser

Kintah, I.T., September, 8, 1903.

Nr R.J.Ward,

Oak Lodge, I.T.

Dear sir:

I am in receipt of your letter with reference to 'Skinning the Indian' and note what you have to say, in a humorous way. I am satisfied that if the Indians had have had charge of this from the beginning that they would not have treated their people any worse than those who now have the matter in charge. It appears to me that the Government was a long time in ascertaining what every body in this country had known for months. However, I myself was surprised to know that the officers who stood at the head of affairs here were involved to the extent charged by Brosius. I hope however that this shaping up will lead to the dismissal of those who are involved, and that we may see a new class of men who are afraid to do otherwise than right. I hope that you are enjoying good health and will be on hand at Council.

Yours truly,

Kintah, Ind. Ter., September 8, 1903.

Judge H.P. Ward,

Kiowa, I.T.

Dear sir:

I am just in receipt of your letter of the 6th inst, and have read its contents with pleasure. I note what you say with reference to Bill Harrison, and heartily agree with you on this score. I regret very much that I did not receive your letter in time to name Benjamin for the place. I have promised the place to Johnson Ott, and have made out a Commission to that effect. I was completely at sea as to who to appoint in that County after receiving the resignation of Martin Charleston. I was thoroughly determined not to appoint W.H.H., notwithstanding his many solicitations in that direction. Had I thought of Benjamin I would have given him the appointment. I hope that you will find it convenient to come over to Council in order that you may lend us your counsel and aid in the winding up our affairs. Hoping this will find you well, I am

Your friend,

Department of the Interior,

UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE,

UNION AGENCY,

(Muskogee, Ind. T.) September 8 1903

Hon. Green McCurtain,

Prin. Chief, Choctaw Nation,

Kinta, I. T.

Sir:

Referring to former correspondence on the subject, I now have to advise you that I am in receipt of a communication from Alf McCay, United States Indian Policeman, wherein he states that Lee Nesmith has paid the royalty on all hay cut by him, has disposed of all surplus cattle, agrees to take out a permit, and hereafter comply with the Choctaw law.

Under the circumstances, I have informed the policeman that if the facts are as stated by him, no further action in this matter need be taken.

I shall be pleased to be advised whether or not my action meets with your approval.

Very respectfully,

J. Blair Shoyelt.

U. S. Indian Agent.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

UNITED STATES INDIAN INSPECTOR

FOR

INDIAN TERRITORY,

D 7231-1903

Muskogee, Ind. T., Sept. 8, 1903.

Honorable Green McCurtain,
Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation,
Kintah, Indian Territory.

Sir:-

Referring to your letter, dated July 20, 1903, addressed to the Department, in the matter of the sale of pine timber, in which you suggest that the National Council create the office of Inspector, whose duties shall be to carefully scrutinize and approve all contracts, deeds, leases, etc., I have to state this letter was forwarded to the Department, and the Honorable Secretary of the Interior considered the same in a communication, dated August 28, 1903, a copy of which is enclosed for your information, in which it is held that the only effective remedy for the conditions mentioned by you is by legislation on the part of Congress, authorizing the Department of the Interior to supervise all contracts for leasing and sale of lands by members of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations.

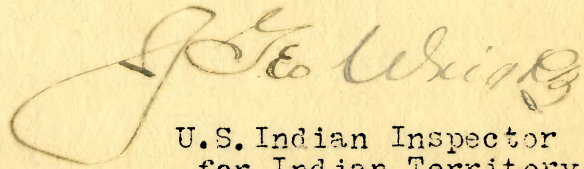
Attention is called to the fact that on July 7th last, you were requested to appoint commissioners to meet with the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes for the purpose of securing a

supplemental agreement with the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations,
and that the Department has not received a reply from you.

I am instructed to request that you inform the Department
what action you propose to take with reference to the appointment
of these commissioners.

I have also today addressed a similar communication to the
Governor of the Chickasaw Nation. I will thank you to give
this matter your early attention.

Very respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "J. E. Wright".

U.S. Indian Inspector
for Indian Territory.

D. H. K. (C)
Encl. 94.

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Sept 8-1903

How Green McCurtain

Kintah I T

Dear friend + Uncle - Will
write you a short letter
to see if you will
appoint me National Lighthouse
during Council if so
will assure you it
will be appreciated very
much. Please answer
soon

Yours as ever
Geo. Riddley

Kintah, I.T., September 9, 1903.

Mrs Daisy Hall,

Whitefield, I.T.

Dear Madam:

I am just in receipt of your letter of the 7th inst enclosing a letter from Honorable Tams Bixby, Chairman of the Dawes Commission with reference to your citizenship. It seems, under the rules and regulations adopted by the Commission, that it will be absolutely necessary for you to furnish the affidavits and proofs called for in his letter, giving a full and complete history of your father's admission to citizenship in the Choctaw Nation. The Supreme Court of the Choctaw Nation held that he was a citizen, and it will be necessary, in my opinion, for you to detail these facts fully and completely, in affidavit form; and also your marriage with Mitchell Harrison and subsequent marriage with Mr Hall. It might not be out of place for me to suggest that you come here and employ Mr Lester to present the matter to the Commission in such manner that there will be no doubt as to the result.

Yours truly,

Kintah, I.T., September 9, 1903.

Mr W.W.Wilson,

Ft. Towson, I.T.

Dear sir:

I received your letter some time ago, and the fact that I have delayed answering the same must not be taken as a sign that I did not fully appreciate the nice things you said about me.

My friends must realize that I am getting old, and must shift the cares and burdens to younger shoulders. I feel that your high purposes toward your people entitles you to the recognition now given me, and I want you to be prepared to assure these responsibilities when called on, and you must not evade this issue under any pretext. The people of this cuntry have confidence in your integrity and uprightness, and I do not know of a man more suited to lead than yourself.

Your friend,

EXECUTIVE OFFICE CHOCTAW NATION

GREEN McCURTAIN, PRINCIPAL CHIEF

Kintah, Ind. Ter., September 9, 1903.

Honorable J. George Wright,
United States Indian Inspector,
Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:--

I am just in receipt of your letter of the 8th inst, and in which you state that the Honorable Secretary of the Interior has considered my suggestions with reference to the National Council creating the office of 'Inspector', etc, and that He holds that the only effective remedy for the conditions mentioned by me, is by legislation on the part of Congress, authorizing the Department of the Interior to supervise all contracts for leasing and sale of land by members of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations.

You also invite my attention to the fact that on July 7, 1903, I was requested to appoint Commissioners to meet with the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes for the purpose of securing a supplemental agreement with the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations, and state that the Department has not received a reply from me. In answer thereto I desire to say that on the 18th day of August, 1903, I formally replied to the request of the Honorable Secretary of the Interior relative to the appointment of these commissioners, and mailed the same to Honorable Tams Bixby, Chairman of the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Muskogee, I.T., a copy of which you will find herewith enclosed. I desire to say further that on the 25th day of August, 1903, I addressed a similar letter to Honorable E.A. Hitchcock

EXECUTIVE OFFICE CHOCTAW NATION

GREEN McCURTAIN, PRINCIPAL CHIEF

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Secretary of the Interior, Washington D.C., in which I stated substantially my reasons for opposing a supplementary agreement, as contained in the letter addressed through the [REDACTED] Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

Hoping this explanation is satisfactory, and that you will make it plain to the Honorable Secretary of the Interior that I have not been derelict in my duty.

Very respectfully,

Prin. Chief C.N.

Kintah, I T., September 9/1903.

Mr M.Kelly,

Montreal, Ark.

Dear sir:

I am just in receipt of your letter of the 7th inst in which you request information with reference to procuring piling in this Nation, and in reply desire to inform you that you will have to make application to the United States Indian Inspector, Hon. J. George Wright, at Muskogee, for permission to enter into a contract for the cutting of such piling as you desire. A letter addressed to him will get the information you desire with reference to the manner of procedure.

Any further information you may desire from this office will be furnished upon request.

Yours truly,

Prin. Chief C.N.

Department of the Interior,

UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE,

UNION AGENCY,

Muskogee, Ind. T., Sept. 10th, 1903.

Hon. Green McCurtain,

Principal Chief Choctaw Nation,

Kintah, Ind. Ter.

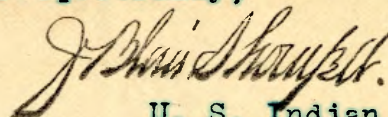
Sir,-

Referring to your communication of the 15th ultimo, enclosing letter from Ben McCurtain of Durant, Ind. Ter., in reference to the action of Policeman Maytubby in opening up the road from the "J.O." Crossing on Allan Bayou to Allison and Roberta, I now have the honor to state that the policeman, in compliance with my instructions, has submitted an additional report as to his reason for opening up said road, which was done under my instructions.

The Policeman states in his last report, that he found that a long used road had been wrongfully closed and that the original direction of the old road had been diverted, and the diversion made more for the convenience of the party diverting it than for that of the public; that he exercised his best and most careful discretion in the matter and concluded that the re-opening of the road would injure no one.

With this explanation of the matter I trust the incident will close.

Very respectfully,



U. S. Indian Agent.

JFW(EJ)

Victor I. T. Sep 16 / 923
Honorable Green McBristin
Governor Choctaw

Nation. — Sir Will you
please inform me if the
surface of the segregated
coal lands is subject to
lease for grazing purposes
till they are sold.

And if so, on what
conditions Also at what
time are they to be sold.

Also what would you
consider a reasonable rate
of interest per acre for
rough Mountain land

Yours Res

W. B. Martin
Victor I. T.

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Kinta, Ind. Ter., September 10, 1903.

Mr Elias Folsom,

Non, Ind. Ter.

Dear sir:

I am just in receipt of your letter of the 3rd inst and note what you say with reference's failure to secure enrollment. The Chickasaw Commissioners have been large responsible for this shifting of names from one roll to another. Their purpose in this matter was to secure as much money as possible to the Chickasaws. I would suggest that you go to Peter Mayubbee and ~~the Chickasaw Commission~~ the correction, as the Chickasaw Commission is the whole cause of it and Matubbee knows more about it than anybody else. I advise you to do this because I think it is your only remedy.

Yours truly,

Prin.Chief C.N.

Kintah, I.T., September 10, 1903.

Mr Wilson Holson James,

Ti, Indian Territory.

Dear sir:

I am just in receipt of your letter of the 7th inst in which you state that upon appearing at the land office at Atoka that you were informed that you was a court citizen and would not be permitted to file until your case was definitely settled. In reply to your inquiries as to what to do in this matter, I desire to ask whether or not you, or your wife made application to the Dawes Commission for the enrollment of your family. I will ask you particularly whether A. Frank Ross or J. G. Ralls represented you in this matter, and whether an appeal has been taken from the decision of the Dawes Commission to the United States Court. In that event you would be a court citizen, and if you failed to appeal from the decision rendered by the Citizenship court in the citizenship matter your case is in bad shape. You had better investigate the matter at once.

Yours truly,

Prin. Chief C.N.

Hugo L. T.

Sept. 18 - 1903

Mr Green McLintan

McLintan J. T.

Sir:

Your old friend P. A. Edwards
to whom you gave the Rock
Church are now applying
for a home under a treaty
as Missionary. The Dawes
Commission deny having the
right of allotting a home to
other than applicants for
enrollment. Other Mission-
aries have received homes
and I hope you will help
me out in procuring one

Respectfully Yours

P. A. Edwards

Kintah, I.T., September 10, 1903.

Mr John Riddle,

Wilburton, I.T.

Dear sir:

I am just in receipt of your letter of the 8th inst and in reply to the same, I desire to say that there is no vacancies on the Lighthorse force to which I could appoint you at this time. I am sorry that I can not comply with your request.

Your uncle.

Prin. Chief C.N.

Kinta, I.T., September 11, 1903.

Honorable J. Blair Shoenfelt,
United States Indian Agent,
Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:--

In reply to your letter of the 8th inst, wherein you state that Alf McCay, U.S. Ind. Policeman, has reported that Lee Nesmith has paid all his hay royalty, sold his surplus cattle and paid his permit and promised to comply with the laws of the Choctaw Nation if permitted to remain therein, and wherein you state that you have instructed the Indian Policeman to take no further action with reference to this person, you are advised that your action in this matter meets my hearty approval.

Very respectfully,

Prin. Chief C.N.

Kinta, I.T., September 11, 1903.

Mr W.G.Holleman,

Holleman, I.T.

Dear sir:

I herewith enclose carbon copy of letter written by the United States Indian Agent, to Edwin Hawley, of your place, with reference to the time allowed him in which to dispose of his surplus cattle. You will ascertain whether or not he complies with the instructions in this letter, ie; that he must dispose of his cattle within two weeks from Sept. 8, 1903, and report to this office the facts, at the same time returning the enclosed copy of letter.

Yours truly,

Prin. Chief C.N.

Atoka, I. T., Sept 14, 1903

Hon Green McBurnain

Sank Prais, I. T.

Dear Gov:

I beg to be informed from you relative to dead claims of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations.

There is no provision made in the late Supplementary agreement for the disposition of same; and, according to my belief, however, that such claims ought not to be sold.

I know of several instances that such claims have been sold contrary to such ruling if any there be.

The Indian Citizen is all O.K.

That article of D.C.s. is also O.K.

Your friend

L. W. Folsom

Department of the Interior,

UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE,

UNION AGENCY,

McAlester, I. T. September 15, 1902.

To Hon. G. W. Dukes,
Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation,
Talihina, I. T.

Dear Sir:-

I beg leave to submit the following report of expenses incurred in the removal of intruders and cattlemen, together with their cattle, from the limits of the Choctaw Nation and the Indian Territory, under orders from the United States Indian Agent:

July 3,	To traveling expenses &c.	\$ 20.00
" 6,	To removal of Keith and traveling expenses	100.00
" 10,	To expense of removal of cattle	100.00
" 12,	To expense incurred in removal of cattle	80.00
" 30,	To Edwin Dwight in payment of services rendered ..	50.00
" 30,	To traveling and incidental expenses	20.00
Aug. 1,	To Bud Maytubby - per diem	36.00
" 7,	To Dan Bryant expense crossing cattle over bridge	10.00
" 7,	To E. T. Dwight for hire of hands,	95.25
July 10,	To Dan Bryant - per diem	25.00
Aug. 12,	To J. K. Dobbs - livery hire	20.00
Aug. 21,	To sf. - per diem	25.00
" 22,	To expense of Bryant and sf. removing intruders ..	31.00
" 23,	To Dan Bryant - per diem -	41.00
" 23,	To E. T. Dwight - bal. due on hire of hands	24.90
Sept. 2,	To J. K. Dobbs - livery hire	18.50
" 7,	To traveling expense	20.00
" 7,	To per diem for self.	59.00
	Total	<u>\$835.65</u>

Bal. due the Choctaw Nation on \$1,000.00 warrant \$164.35

Very respectfully,

U. S. Indian Policeman.

Garwin I.T.

Sept. 16th 1903

Hon. Green McBurnitt

Sanbris, I.T.

Dear Sir:-

Some Choctaw
citizens have expressed a
desire that I aid them in
the selections of their lands,
now if you will appoint
me to look after the inter-
ests of those Choctaws who
are incapacitated from
seeing after their own
interests, I will discharge
the duty honestly and
conscientiously as I see
it to the best interests

of Proctor's citizens.

I refer you to Wesley
Anderson, Ellis Pollock
to your well known uncle
to John Taylor of Red
River Co. who today solic-
ited me to write to you
and see what could be
done.

I am well versed in
all land matters and
well acquainted in
2nd Dist. having been a
teacher here twenty five
(25) years.

Let me hear from you.
Yrs. Respectfully,
J. P. Hallman
Garrett, T.

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.,

Sept 17.

1903

Col Green McCurtain

Sans Bois. I. T.

My Dear Sir & friend - Since my residence in Calif I have written to Edmond two or three times & rec'd an answer to two of them written by Wallace Bond. for Edmond. that has been long ago at least 8 or 9 years. I almost ceased to think of either of you until quite recently. My old time friend and former Comrade. Maj. H. H. Salmon paid me a visit last month & spent 4 or 5 days with me. he was accompanied by his daughter. Miss Louise. They went on from here, up into Alaska & will return home by way of Yellowstone Park. Maj Salmon in recounting some of his business deals. incidentally mentioned your name. in connection with some Washington business. I told him some of my experiences in Chactaw Country in 1879.- 80 & 82 and of my friendship for you and Edmond. He thinks a great deal of you. Says you are the brightest man in that Country. I told him I thought so when I lived down there, and have never had any reason to change my opinion since I left there & took up the thread of business among my own people again.

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.,

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Col. G. McC. #2

I don't know whether you will care to hear from me or not so I won't write much this time. I told Edmond that I was doing a successful business when I wrote him. I will say the same to you. I married shortly after I left your country. I went to Kansas. & engaged in the machine & insurance business. I met a beautiful & talented woman whom I married at a later date, in '85. Subsequently we moved to St. Joseph Mo. (2) I continued to be successful in business in a quiet way. in 1890. We moved to San Francisco & have lived here ever since. Our business still continues good. We have given up the Ins. business & now devote all our time to the production & sale of Crude Oil. I own $\frac{1}{3}$ of one company that has two wells on its ground that will flow 750 barrels of Oil per day. I own two thirds of another Co. that turns out 100. Bbls per day. The properties are very valuable the income is good & I am satisfied with conditions. Salmon is one you are the present Chief & have served several terms. "Go it old man" you are worthy of any honors you may ask. It is a long time since we met Green. but I hope to meet you at St Louis next Spring.
over

Salmon will be there & I will bring my wife
and visit them at their home in Clinton Mo
then we will all go to St Louis together
Salmon is an Old & dear friend of mine -
Will good by Green write you will
see my address at the top of page -

Your friend
F. F. Word

EXECUTIVE OFFICE CHOCTAW NATION

GREEN McCURTAIN, PRINCIPAL CHIEF

Dear old friend:

yours of the 17th inst received. and
It was a great surprise to me to receive a
letter from one who I ^{always} thought was dead. as I have
never heard from you since you left here. and
~~your~~ letter from you gives me much pleasure to
read. makes me think of the old times. well old
friend. you could not even imagine what a change
has taken place here in this country since you left
here. Rail Roads running in front of my door.
which was not even dreamed of in our days
here. many Rail Roads and towns are built.
and your old acquaintances here are all dead.
I expect I and my family are about the
only ones you would know. Bro Edmund
and all of his family dead. Bro Edmund
died in 1890. and Wallace Bond died
in 1898. yes sir. I am personally
acquainted with H. W. Salmon of Clinton Mo.
I think him much greater man than
myself. I am him had a hard road
to live for two long years in Washington

EXECUTIVE OFFICE CHOCTAW NATION

GREEN McCURTAIN, PRINCIPAL CHIEF

I now live at Kinta 4 miles west
of the old Sans Bois Town. Kinta is
a Rail Road Station on the Fort Smith
and Western Rail Road, so in writing
me address me at Kinta, I. T.

Jackson, L. T.

Sept 17th 1903

Hon. Green Mountain Principal chief
Cherokee nation

Kind Sir

I will Write you in Regard to
Running a ferry Boat on Red River
Cherokee nation at the mouth of
Blue River. I Bought the Right to
Run the Boat from one fowler and
he got the Right from one Beaver salard
and now Beaver demands Rent from me
and i have Paid Beaver up till Jan 1st
1904. I will ask youre advice whether i will
Be compelled to Pay Rent on operating a
ferry Boat on Red River in the Cherokee
nation. I wrote the agent in Regard to
the matter and he Refused me to give find
includ a letter from

(2)

and I am 440 yds from any fence
or farm and I am willing to pay
my ^{own} Permit to the chockate oralist
any time they call on me for it
I am on the Main Road from honey
grove Texas to Boswell City, TX and
Benington, TX and also Bonham
Texas to Boswell TX and Benington, TX.
But the same Road crosses on my Boat
will you be kind enough to tell me
whether I will have to pay Rent
to any individual Person or not.
Please answer this letter and oblige
Yours

W. P. Hobbs

P.S. The land in landing on is
not stated By any agent

W. P. H.



OFFICE OF



HALETT & FOLSON
ATTORNEYS at LAW & REAL Estate Agents

AS CHANT CITY, I. T.

MCCURTAIN P. O.

Sept-17th 1903

Hon Green McCurtain

Minuta I.P.

Dear Gov

The Christian Council is not far
off. And I want to know, if you want me
to go or not. I want to know for certain
whether you are going to give me place in
Council, or not. if Joel is able to go, he will
hold his place, let me know at once, so I
will know what to do. if you give me a place
in the house, I want to be speaker. And I
want your Assistant. Yours sincerely

Jerry Folsom

Kinta, I.T., September 17, 1903.

Mr P.A. Edwards,

Bugo, I.T.

Dear Sir:

I am just in receipt of your letter of the 10th inst, and note what you say with reference to the treaty giving certain Missionaries lands in the Choctaw Nation. Under the terms of the Atoka Agreement all lands of the Choctaw Nation that were to go to Missionaries were designated, and were fully set forth therein in detail. This treaty in a sense abrogated all former treaties entered into between the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations and the United States Government. It is clear to me that, under this treaty, you would not be entitled to anything.

Yours truly,

Prin. Chief C.H.

TURNER & YOUNG

GENERAL MERCHANDISE

MITCHELL WAGONS
CANTON IMPLEMENTSTURNER MERCANTILE CO., INDIANOLA, I. T.
TURNER & YOUNG, CANADIAN, I. T.COTTON
PRODUCE

CANADIAN, I. T., 9/18 1903

Gen Green M^cCurtain
M^cCurtain 9 J

Dear Sir

the Sheriff of this Co was
at our town a few days ago I
have a business at Indianola
and bought some hay from
W J Walker who had filed
on the land that this hay was
cut from Walker refused to
pay the royalty and the Sheriff
was talking of seizing my hay
of course I did not think it
advisable to allow this as such
a procedure would hurt a man
in business so paid the demands
I herewith inclose a receipt
for same can you advise a
relief in the case allow me
to subscribe my self
Truly yours
Robt F Turner

Kintah, I.T., September 18, 1903.

Mr L.W Polson,

Atoka, I.T.

Dear Sir:

I am just in receipt of your letter and the estate of deceased persons who are entitled to allotment can be sold. In my opinion these estates can not be disposed of until Congress makes some provisions relative thereto. I do not think the title could be conveyed either through the appointment of administrator or otherwise.

Yours truly,

Prin.Chief C.H.

Whitfield, Ind. Terr.

Sept. 19, 1903.

Hon. Green McCurtain,
Kinta, Ind. Terr.

Dear Sir:

Elias Folsom has retained me to represent him before the Deacons Com. in a contest suit for land. The land is the same that belonged to the estate of Phoebe Folsom, deceased. He tells me that you was an attorney in the matter when it was before the Choctaw Court, or act of which, I have taken the liberty to ask you for information as to just what action was taken in the matter. Elias doesn't seem to understand

much about it and I am afraid to trust his statements.

Was Frank Perry appointed administrator of the estate of Phoebe Folsom?

Was there any settlement among the heirs during his administration?

Did Perry sell the estate without an order of court?

Was Perry removed and Rachel Hancock put in his place?

I have a copy of the County Court record which shows that administration was granted to Rachel Hancock on the Estate of Phoebe Folsom.

Did Elias and his sister Rachel sue specifically for the land or did they just ask the removal of

Perry? Thanking you in advance
for the information. I remain,

Yours Truly,
Edwin Clark.

Department of the Interior,

UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE,

UNION AGENCY,

Wadsworth St. Sep. 19, 1903
(Muskogee, Ind. T.)

Hon. Green, M. C. Burlain P. O. C. N.
Vincennes Ind.

Sir:

You may perhaps think I am a good while moving those cattle but it is not my fault I am ready & have been ready for over a month. but the County Treasurer has no funds & for that reason I did not deem it necessary to write you for a certificate I have orders to move J. A. Brown et. al. Mr. Craig, Cor. & Maynard all are in this County. You will please advise me in regards to the funds for this work. I do not know what has become of the High Sheriff have not seen or heard from him for 2 weeks.

Yours Respectfully
J. Alf. McBay
U.S. I. P. T.

Kinta, I.T., September 19, 1903.

Mr W.B. Martin,

Victor, I.T.

Dear sir:

In reply to your letter of recent date, you are advised
you can not legally lease any surface of the coal land that has be
segregated in the Choctaw Nation.

Yours truly,

Prin. Chief C.M.

Kinta, I. T., September 19, 1903.

Honorable J. Blair Shoenfelt,
United States Indian Agent,
Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Dear sir:

I herewith enclose a petition which has just been received by this office, with the request that I endorse the same.

I enclose the same to you, and beg to herewith respectfully recommend that said William T. Walker, therein mentioned, be not appointed as United States Indian Policeman, as set out in said petition. This man has caused a great deal of trouble to the officers in the neighborhood in which he lives, and has, so I am informed, advised non-citizens to refuse to comply with the laws of the Choctaw Nation.

Very respectfully,

Prin. Chief C. H.

Kinta, I.T., September 21, 1903.

Mr Alf McGay, U S.I.P.

McAlester, I.T.

Dear sir:

In reply to your letter of recent date, I beg to advise that I have this day consulted the National Treasurer, and he tells me that he has funds on hand that he can pay your account with.

I therefore have to request that you go ahead and put those cattle out and send your expense bill to me and I will at once issue my certificate for the same and then this certificate can go to Peter Hudson and his warrant issue for the same, and the National Treasurer will cash the warrant upon its presentation to him.

Please rush the moving of these cattle, and let me hear from you from time to time.

Yours truly,

prin. Chief C.H.

Kinta, I.T., September 21, 1903.

Mr R.F. Turner,

Canadian, I.T.

Dear sir:

In reply to your letter of the 18th inst, wherein you enclose receipt from Johnson Frazier for hay royalty, and enquire with reference to the payment of such royalty, you are advised that the mere filing on land does not exempt the citizen from the payment of royalty, as the Department holds that the royalty must be paid on all hay cut, unless the citizen can produce certificate of allotment, and this certificate of allotment can not be produced by the citizen until nine months have expired from the date of his filing.

This royalty should have been paid by W.T. Walker, from whose land this hay was cut, as he is legally responsible for the same, and not the person who has in good faith bought the hay. You should collect the amount of this royalty you have paid from him. It seems that Walker is not disposed to comply with the law, from reports I have been receiving. If he is disposed to do the right thing in this matter he will at once refund this money to you, as he is the person who should have paid it in the first place.

However, the royalty has to be paid, and as you have paid it your only recourse will be to recover from W.T. Walker. *and if you fail in*

this I will have sheriff refund
Yours truly,

Prin. Chief C.N.

Kinta, I.T., September 21, 1903.

Mr Jerry Polson,

McCurtain, I.T.

Dear sir:

In reply to your letter of the 17th inst, I beg to advise that since looking into the matter I have decided that I have no right to make such appointment until the Senate has declared a vacancy to exist. I do not know whether Joel will be able to go to Council or not, or whether he desires to go or not. However, if you like you can go to Council, and if a vacancy is declared by the Senate, then I will appoint you to fill the same.

Yours truly,

Prin. Chief C.H.

Department of the Interior,

UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE,

UNION AGENCY,

(Muskogee, Ind. T.) September 22 1903

Mr. Wm. T. Walker,

C/o Green McCurtain,

Kinta, I. T.

Sir:

I am in receipt, through the Principal Chief of the Choctaw Nation, of a petition in reference to your appointment as U. S. Indian Policeman.

Replying thereto you are advised that at the present time there is no vacancy on the police force, but should one occur your application will receive consideration.

Very respectfully,

J. H. Sharp.

U. S. Indian Agent.

JFW(E)

Please return this letter

To
Will T. Walker,
Canadian, I.T.

GEORGE A. MANSFIELD.
J. F. McMURRAY.
MEIVEN CORNISH.

LAW OFFICES OF
MANSFIELD, McMURRAY & CORNISH.

GENERAL COUNSEL FOR
THE CHOCTAW NATION
THE CHICKASAW NATION

South McAlester, Indian Territory, September 29, 1903.

Honorable Will T. Walker,
Canadian, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of recent date addressed to our Mr. Cornish and requesting our indorsement of you for an appointment as a member of the United States Indian Police force has been received.

Replying thereto we have to advise that we should be pleased to accede to your request without delay but you will understand that these matters of appointments in the Choctaw Nation are of the highest importance to its chief executive and we never assume to make any recommendations unless specifically requested to do so by him fearing that our action might conflict plan or policy which he may have.

We would suggest that you communicate with Honorable Green McCurtain and if he should see fit to direct us in the matter we shall take great pleasure in acting in accordance therewith.

Very truly yours,

Mansfield, McMurray & Cornish

Please return this letter
Will T. Walker

Kinta, I.T., September 22, 1903.

Mr W.P.Hobbs,

Jackson, I.T.

Dear sir:

I am just in receipt of your letter of recent date making inquiry as to whether or not it is proper for you to pay rent on the land used by your ferry in the Choctaw Nation. Replying thereto I desire to ask whether or not Fowler and Beaver are citizens of the Choctaw Nation. It is necessary that I learn these facts before I can answer the questions you have asked in your letter.

Yours truly,

Prin. Chief C.N.

Kinta, I.T., September 22, 1903.

Mr Edwin Clark,

Whitefield, I.T.

Dear sir:

I am just in receipt of your letter of the 19th inst, in which you state that Elias Polson has retained you to represent him before the Dawes Commission in a contest over a portion of the estate of Phoeby Polson, deceased. The impression prevails with me that Elias Polson has slept on his rights in this matter, and that he can not hope to win in this contest. When the case was decided by the Choctaw Courts in favor of him and others no steps were taken to secure possession of this property; in fact from my knowledge of the case the place was abandoned, and finally taken charge of by other parties. With reference to your question as to whether or not Frank Perry was appointed administrator of this estate, I am unable to answer. You can however ascertain this fact by referring to the records. I appreciate the fact that this information I give you is rather unsatisfactory, but it is the best I have at hand.

Yours truly,

(COPY)

Kinta Indian Territory September
22, 1903.

Honorable J. Blair Shoenfelt,
U. S. Indian Agent,
Muscogee Indian Territory.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 12th instant wherein you direct me:

"You will ascertain whether or not said Hopper has mortgaged his cattle to Lizzie Kelton and the reasons why, and if you find that it was done for the sole purpose of preventing the removal of said cattle, you will disregard said mortgage and remove said cattle from the Choctaw Nation and the Indian Territory"

I have to say that there seems to be a mistake in the way the sheriff reports facts as to the mortgage, either you have misunderstood such report. The facts are that E. M. Hopper has taken a mortgage on his own cattle from Lizzie Kelton. That is he claims to have sold them to her and that he has taken a mortgage on the same cattle that he claims to have sold her.

I have today had a notary public take the sworn statement of said Lizzie Kelton, and herewith enclose the same to you upon receipt of which you can direct me how to proceed.

Now then I am certain that this sham sale is made for the sole purpose of evading the law, but I do not care to assume any responsibility in the way of removing the cattle without specific instructions from you.

You will note that she says upon oath that she has given nothing in exchange for the cattle.

Trusting that you will see fit to direct the removal of these cattle I am,

Yours very respectfully,

(Signed) B. J. SPRING,

Indian Police.

(COPY)

What is your name?

Did you give Hopper a mortgage on some cattle? Yes.

How many? 51 yearlings and 15 cows and calves; 10 two year old heifers and 10 yearling heifers.

What are marks and brands? Steer yearlings are branded RH marked crop & underbit in one ear, underslope in the other; cows are branded, some +H and some =; marks are different kinds.

Do you own these cattle? I do.

From whom did you buy them? Mr. Mart Hopper.

How much did you pay for them? Can not remember price of yearlings cows, &

Did you pay cash? I did not.

Did you give anything in exchange? I did not.

Have you a bill of sale showing sale purchase of these cattle? I have not.

Can you prove that you are not holding these cattle to shield Mart Hopper? I can.

Do you know that you can be prosecuted for holding these cattle? I do not.

I, Elizabeth Kelton, solemnly swear that my answers to the above interrogatories are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

her
(Signed) ELIZABETH X KELTON
mark

Witness to mark:

B. J. SPRING.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 22nd day of Sept. 1903.

J. H. HUFFORD,
Notary Public.

(SEAL)

Department of the Interior,

UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE,

UNION AGENCY,

Muskogee, Ind. T., September 22, 1903

Hon. Green McCurtain,

Prin. Chief, Choctaw Nation,

Kinta, I. T.

Sir:

I acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 19th instant, and in reply thereto have to advise you that William T. Walker will not be appointed as U. S. Indian Police.

Very respectfully,

J. M. Shoup

U. S. Indian Agent.

JFW(E)

Department of the Interior,

UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE,

UNION AGENCY,

Muskogee, Ind. T., September 24 1903
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Hon. Green McCurtain,

Prin. Chief, Choctaw Nation,

Kinta, I. T.

Sir:

For your information I have to say that under date of the 19th instant, Mr. D. Blaylock, of Tamaha, advised this office that he has disposed of his surplus cattle.

Will you please investigate this matter and ascertain whether or not the statements made by Mr. Blaylock are true.

Very respectfully,

J. M. Shroyer.

U. S. Indian Agent.

JFW(E)

Department of the Interior,

UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE,

UNION AGENCY,

(Muskogee, Ind. T., September 24, 1903)

Hon. Green McCurtain,

Prin. Chief, Choctaw Nation,

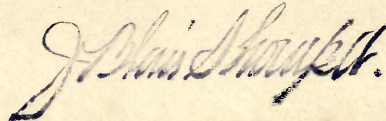
Kinta, I. T.

Sir:

Transmitted with this communication is a copy of a letter from B. J. Spring, Indian Policeman, dated September 22, 1903, together with a copy of an affidavit made by Elizabeth Kelton, in reference to the alleged mortgaging of certain cattle to her by one E. M. Hopper.

Will you please give me your views on this matter at an early date.

Very respectfully,



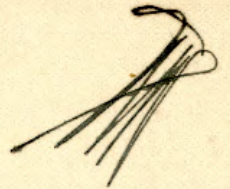
U. S. Indian Agent.

JFW(E)
Encls.

Department of the Interior,

UNITED STATES INDIAN SERVICE,

UNION AGENCY,



(Muskogee, Ind. T.,.....Sept. 26th, 1903..... 3

Hon. Green McCurtain,

Prin. Chief Choctaw Nation,

Kinta, Ind. Ter.

Sir:-

Referring to your communication of August 11th, 1903, you are advised that Policeman McCay, under date of September 20th, informs me that Edwin Housley has sold all his cattle to Henry Stanton a Choctaw citizen and agrees to pay the permit tax in accordance with the laws of the Choctaw Nation, and also agrees to pay the royalty on all hay cut by him, viz. 170 tons.

Under the circumstances, I think no further action in this particular matter need be taken.

Very respectfully,

U. S. Indian Agent.

JFW(EJ)

Kinta Indian Territory September 26th 1903.

Honorable J. Blair Shoenfelt,
United States Indian Agent,
Muscogee Indian Territory.

Sir:

I have your letter of the 24th instant wherein you transmit communication from B. J. Spring, Indian Policeman, together with a copy of an affidavit made by Elizabeth Kelton, in reference to the alledged mortgaging of certain cattle by her to E. M. Hopper, and wherein you request my views in the matter.

In reply have to say that it seems plain to me that this mortgage is made for the sole purpose of evading the law.

Hopper claims to have sold the cattle to Elizabeth Kelton who is a citizen of the Choctaw Nation, and to carry out the sham sale he takes a mortgage on the cattle from Elizabeth Kelton as if they belonged to her, to secure the account. Her affidavit stating that she has given nothing in exchange for them, is evidence that the sale is a sham.

Yours very respectfully.

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

Kinta, I.T., September 26, 1903.

Honorable J. Blair Shofenil,

United States Indian Agent,

Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:--

Replying to your letter of the 24th inst, wherein you enclose copy of report of B.J.Spring, U.S.I.P., together with copy of affidavit of Elizabeth Kelton, with reference to the unlawful holding of cattle in the Choctaw Nation by E.M.Hopper; I have to state that it seems plain to me that this mortgage is made for the sole purpose of evading the law. Elizabeth Kelton claims to have bought these cattle from Hopper, but does not know how much she is to pay for them, and says she paid nothing, but has given a mortgage on said cattle to secure the purchase price. Knowing the people as I do with reference to their ability to pay for these cattle, and knowing Hopper as an old offender, I have no hesitancy in recommending that said cattle be removed beyond the limits of the Choctaw Nation.

Very respectfully,

Prin. Chief C.N.

pm
M.R.B.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.
WASHINGTON.

September 28, 1903.

Hon. Green McCurtain,
Principal Chief,
Choctaw Nation,
Kintah, Indian Territory.

Sir:

Your letter of the 7th instant, suggesting the impropriety of appointing F. S. GENUING to the position of Townsite Commissioner for the Choctaw Nation, or United States Marshal in the Territory, was duly received.

As you are doubtless aware by this time, Mr. DWIGHT F. TUTTLE has been appointed Townsite Commissioner. A copy of your letter has been transmitted to the Attorney-general, for his use in connection with the appointment of a Marshal.

Very respectfully,

J. H. ...
Acting Secretary.

To The General Council of the Choctaw Nation in regular session assembled:

Gentlemen:

Herein please find my report on Contingent Fund for the fiscal year ended September 30, 1903 for your consideration and approval.

Oct. 1	Railroad fare (Self and stenographer) (Kinta to Ft. Smith.)	\$3.30
	Dinner (Self and Stenographer.)	1.00
	Hack (Self and stenographer.)	1.00
	Stamps	.55
	Writing paper, type	1.50
	Writing paper, copy	.50
	Carbon paper	1.00
	Stamps	1.00
2	Hotel Leflore	5.30
	Railroad fare (Ft. Smith to Tushka Homa) (Self and stenographer)	5.20
	Stamps	2.00
	Telegram for records	.90
	Typewriter and fasteners	1.20
	Hack fare (Stenographer)	.75
	Telegram to bank regarding Washington items	.25
	Hack fare	.50
10	Express on typewriter cover	.50
	Hack fare	.50
	Stamps and envelopes	1.25
11	Hack fare	.50
12	Hack fare	.25
	Express on typewriter	.10
22	Railroad fare (Self and three light horse from Tushka Homa to Ft. Smith.)	10.40
	Hack fare (Self and light horse)	1.00
	Hack fare (Self and light horse)	1.00
	Supper (Self and light horse)	2.00
	Bed (Self and light horse)	3.00
	Breakfast (Self and light horse)	2.00
	Dinner (Self and light horse)	2.00

35.45

Oct. 22	Amount brought forward	\$54.46
	Railroad fare (Ft. Smith to Tushka Homa self and three light horses.)	10.40
24	Railroad fare (two) Tushka Homa to Ft. Smith	5.20
	Hack fare at Tushka Homa (Self and three light horses.)	2.00
	Telegram to bank for statement	.51
	Trip to Ft. Smith to arrange for cash to pay council	10.00
	Hack fare for light horse to and from station enerrand	4.50
25	Railroad fare to Kinta	3.30
	Hack fare at Ft. Smith	.75
27	Board for self	21.50
	Board for stenographer	22.00
	Attendants, Short and Vance	29.00
	Express on stationery	.90
	Stamps	1.00
	Express on stationery	1.25
	Postal cards	.25
Nov. 4	Stamps	2.00 24536
	Stenographer's services	57.95
6	Rubber stamp	.15
	Stationery from Weldon Williams & Lick	28.25
8	Cash telegram	.25
26	Stamps	2.90
Dec. 9	Telegram (R. M. Love)	.25
15	Telegram 35¢ Dinner 50¢	.85
	Hack 25¢ Supper 75¢	1.00
16	Breakfast 65¢ Dinner 30¢	.95
	Supper	.70
17	Bed (Two nights)	1.00
	Bed (Attendants)	1.00
	Railroad fare	7.20
	Hack fare	.75
20	Hotel bill	3.00
	Hack fare (Tushka Homa)	.75
22	Railroad fare (Tushka Homa to Ft. Smith.)	2.60
	Supper	.60

Oct. 22	Amount brought forward	\$276.77
	Bed, Breakfast, Dinner and Supper	2.50
	Hack	.25
24	Bed, Breakfast and hack (Ft. Smith)	1.50
	Dinner (McChurtain)	.50
30	Expenses, Turner Everidge and Rus Vance (Attendants)	7.80
Jan. 2	Cash stamps	1.00
10	Stamps	2.00
27	Stamps	2.00
	P. O. Box rent	.10
31	Stamps	2.00
Feb. 1 5	Stamps	2.00
26	Stamps	1.00
27	Stamps	1.00
Mar. 10	Stamps	2.25
25	Stamps	1.25
27	Stationery from Weldon Williams & Lick	2.75
	Rubber stamp	.75
30	Stamps	2.00
Apr. 4	Stamps	2.00
	Special delivery stamps	1.00
	Stamps (4¢)	1.00
	P. O. Box rent	.10
May 7	Stationery from Bersey Printing Co., Dallas, Texas	10.30
8	Stamps	1.00
11	Stamps	1.00
25	Stamps	2.50
27	Expense on Mimeograph supplies	1.00
Jun. 8	Stamps	1.00
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Jul 9	Amount brought forward	\$329.32	
	Stamps	2.00	
Aug. 11	Stamps	1.00	
27	1000 Envelopes	3.00	
28	Special delivery stamps	1.00	
29	Stamps	5.00	
Sep. 7	Telegram	2.35	
	Amount refunded	343.67	
		56.33	
Sep. 30	By cash		\$400.00
		400.00	\$400.00

Respectfully submitted,

Treasurer, Choctaw Nation.