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Feb. 12, 1915.

Hon. Cato Sells,
Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:--

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your telegram calling my attention to office letter of Jan. 14, concerning proposed legislation to return \$10,000 to Henry Kendall College, and requesting that I report thereon.

I have taken this matter up with Hon. Moty Tiger, Principal Chief of the Creek Nation, and have been requested by him to say to you that the Creek Nation takes the position that the facts alleged in the bill of complaint of the Creek Nation against Henry Kendall College were substantially proven, and that the payment of \$10,000 by Henry Kendall College as a compromise of the claim of the Creek Nation against the College was a just and reasonable settlement and that the Creek Nation should not now be required to return any part of the consideration paid in accordance with the settlement agreed upon.

I therefore request that you urge the defeat of the amendment to the Indian Appropriation Bill proposing to return to Henry Kendall College the sum of \$10,000.

Very respectfully,

National Attorney.

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Hon. Cato Sells,
Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
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Sir:-

I am just in receipt of the following telegram:

"Referring to office letter January fourteenth concerning proposed legislation for return of Ten Thousand Dollars to Henry Kendall College out of Creek funds, your immediate report is requested."

You will remember that a report prepared for your signature was sent to my office, 209 Pension Bldg., with notation that same be initialed by the Chief and myself. I immediately took this report down to your office and talked to you about same. I explained at the time that the Chief was very much opposed to the payment of this claim but that I would like to be relieved of the responsibility of officially protesting against the appropriation for the reason that Senator Owen was very actively urging legislation withdrawing from allotment the unallotted public domain of the Creek Nation; that he was very insistent upon securing an appropriation to reimburse Kendall College, urging as a reason that Kendall College did not violate the law in procuring the lots scheduled to it and that the college was induced to pay \$10,000.00 because of the fact that the suits filed against it constituted such a cloud upon the title of the property that same could not be sold, and that I had told Senator Owen that I would talk to

the Chief about the appropriation and would see him again, but that I had not had an opportunity to talk to Senator Owen about the matter any more and was afraid that he would not think I was treating him fairly by approving an adverse report on his amendment without first giving him my reason for doing so.

After making this explanation to you we had some discussion about the matter and I left the office with the impression that I would not be required to make any further report about this amendment. I then returned to your Secretary the papers transmitted to me. In view of your telegram I am enclosing herewith my report upon this appropriation.

Respectfully,

National Attorney.

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Feb. 18, 1915.

Captain G. W. Grayson,
National Hotel,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Captain:—


I am enclosing herewith copies of letters to the Commissioner in regard to the appropriation of \$10,000.00 to reimburse Kendall College and the account of the Indian Journal Printing Co.,

Please let me know how you are getting along with the provisions appropriating Creek funds to be used in investigating duplicate and fraudulent allotments, and the amendment withdrawing lands from allotment.

A mass meeting of about one hundred full blood Indians assembled at Okmulgee on the 10th, of this month, unanimously endorsed both of these amendments and sent telegrams to this effect to Senator Owen, Hon. William H. Murray and Hon. James S. Davenport. Please see these people and also Senator Robinson and urge them to use their best efforts in behalf of this legislation.

With kindest regards to the Chief and assuring you of my cooperation with the request you make, I remain,

Very respectfully,


National Attorney.