

Cincinnati July 9th 1834

Sir

Yours of June 13th was this moment rec^d by me, and in reply
thereto I have to unmask, that I do myself, at Mr Vaux, a desire of
being and having some conversation with you in relation to the final ratifi-
fication, by the Government, of the Auctioneers' sale principally to the
Attorney of Columbus, Ohio, as I am fully satisfied a more fraudulent
course never was before practiced upon those poor unfortunate creatures—
destitute of education and in many instances denied the rights of the
White man altho I know that there is one, now fortunately at the
helm of the affairs of this nation, who is ready on all proper occasions
to redress the wrongs of the Indians, and it was with view that I desired to
see you. No person who has in the last six months visited Columbus, be-
lieves to me, the purchaser would first ascertain the views of the Agent
Agent as to the value of the land, then bring the Indian up and count
down the money in his presence, which the Indian would receive
and the Agent, of course certify the deed but immediately upon
leaving the office the money would be returned by the Indian and a
sum three grown him altogether inadequate to the appraised value
of the land by the Agent. And in many instances horses
purchased at a low rate & sold them at unheard of prices.
Indeed the greatest dissatisfaction exists among the Indians
who having sold a valuable property, have nothing for it
and I am fully satisfied the object of the Gov^t will
be defeated, as to their emigration unless Congress will
appropriate money for that purpose, or the purchasers be
compelled to make them a fair compensation for
their

property

I am aware of the broadness of these assertions
and altho I am no intemp of the truth of what I have
stated yet there is no difficulty in procuring the testimony
- my mind I have had the statement from some of the
purchasers. and when I return to Florida in September
could, if necessary, give you the names and a clue to
the testimony

With great Respect your Obedient

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