

Copy of protest of dissatisfied Creeks-

Mo. Tl. Ind. Tcy

How H. M. Teller

Secretary of Interior

Sir:

The undersigned citizens of Mo. Tl. do most respectfully, but earnestly protest against your decision rendered on the 27th of Feb 1884, in which you recognize J. M. Perryman as de facto chief of Mo. Tl. and assign the following reasons therefor

1st S^d decision involves a perversion of the constitutional rights of all the citizens of the Mo. Tl.

2nd S^d decision compels the Mo. Tl. to submit to the authority of an execution that has not been constitutionally chosen-

3rd you preclude the MusKogee people from applying the remedies as provided by their laws for existing grievances.

4th That decision practically repudiates and disregards the guarantees of Art. 15th of the treaty of Aug. 28th 1856.

5th It involves the right & authority to define and construe our laws for us, when by our

constitution that power rests alone in the
Supr. court of the M. U.

6th The question upon which your decision is
rendered was not submitted to you by the
proper authority of the M. U.

7th Since 1790, the date of the first treaty
made between the U. S. and M. U., this decision
is without precedent

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U. S. the Hon. Sec^y

decision, of Chief