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Washington D. C.

January 25. 1884

To the  
President.

Sir:-

We the undersigned Delegates of the Creek Nation respectfully represent that since the fiscal year 1878 our Nation has been deprived of certain sums of money aggregating \$4,710<sup>00</sup> guaranteed to our people under stipulations of treaties entered into by the United States with the Creek Nation dated February 14, 1833. (Stats 7. p. 419) and Augt. 4, 1856. (Stats. 11. p. 700) through the refusal of Congress to make the necessary appropriations although the Commissioner of Indian Affairs in his annual Estimates embraced the item for appropriation. The items referred to under the treaties named, are to be paid "during the pleasure of the President," and are as follows:—

Blacksmith and Assistant, shops and

and "tools, per 5' art. Treaty of Feby. 14' 1833. and 5' art. Treaty of August 4' 1856.  
 \$840<sup>00</sup> — Iron and Steel for shops per same treaties \$ 270.00  
 Wagonmaker per same treaties. 1000.00  
 Agricultural assistance " " 2,000.00  
 Education " " 1,000.00  
 \$ 4,710.00

This amount has been included in the Estimates for the Indian Service for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1885, and is now before the Appropriation Committee of both Houses of Congress for consideration, and fearing that we will again be deprived of the above sums by non-appropriation, and in view of the urgent necessities of our people at this particular time, we earnestly solicit your assent to this payment by a formal approval of this our petition, in order that it may be laid before Congress. We have the honor to be Very Respectfully

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Office of Indian Affairs

January 28. 1884

Respectfully referred to the Honorable  
Secretary of the Interior,

Recommended  
(signed), H. Price,  
Commissioner.

Dept of the Interior.

Office of the Secretary.

January 30. 1884

Respectfully submitted, recommended, for the  
approval of the President.

(signed), H. M. Teller,  
Secretary.

Executive Mansion.

January. 31. 1884

Approved.

(signed), Chester A. Arthur,

Department of the Interior  
Washington. Feby 2. 1894

The Chairman  
House Com. on Appropriations.

Sir:-

I have the honor to present herewith,  
Copy of a petition from the Delegates of  
the Creek Nation of Indians for the payment  
of certain designated sums of money  
guaranteed to be paid to said Indians  
by treaties therein specified "during the  
pleasure of the President," which sums  
the Delegates state, the Nation has been  
deprived of since 1878, by reason of  
non-appropriation.

The matter has the approval of the Presi-  
dent and is presented with recommenda-  
tion for the favorable consideration and  
action of the Committee and the Congress

Very Respectfully

(signed) H. M. Teller  
Secretary

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J. W. Blevins  
Acty. Chief Finance Div.

Department of the Interior,  
Washington, Feby. 2 1884

The Commissioner,  
of Indian Affairs:

Sir:—

I return herewith, approved by the President under date of January 31, 1884, the Petition of the Delegates of the Creek Nation of Indians for the appropriation of the amount of \$4,710<sup>00</sup>, the aggregate of certain sums of money due them under treaty stipulations - which accompanied your letter of 28th ult.

I have presented the matter with recommendation to the Committee on Appropriations of both Houses and enclose for your information copy of my letter upon the subject of this date, to House Committee on Appropriations.

Very Respectfully

(Signed)

H. M. Teller

Secretary.

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Jos. B. Cox

Acting Chief, Finance Division