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EDITORIAL ON ALEX POSEY (FUS-FIXICO)

Alex Posey, of the Dawes commission, went lately to the home of Artus Hotiya to get a record, for official purposes, of the death of Hotiya's daughter. Hotiya is an old Creek, unable to speak english, and opposed to the coming of white men to the Indian Territory. He has confidence in the federal government and believes it will stand true to its ancient treaties with the Creek nation. To Posey, Hotiya said: "You crossed the Wewoka creek this morning It is spring and water runs; you see the green grass on the prairies; the grass still grows. Our people have agreed that so long as water runs and grass grows we shall not have our lands divided nor our governments supplanted. I am not yet ready to give information. God has given her an allotment in the graveyard. She is dead. The allotment there is all

that she is entitled to. A grave is all the allotment that I am entitled to, and all that God intended that I should have. It is enough. The Great Father placed the Pacific on one side and the Atlantic on the other, and the land between he gave to the Indian. The white man came and he set corner stones and told the Indian that he must live between these. The Indian cannot live so. He is being stifled by the white man, who has disarmed him of his bow and arrow and driven him from the forests and game. The end of the Indian is near, but I am not ready to contribute to hastening it.