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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

Office of U.S. Indian Inspector,

For

Indian Territory,

Muscogee, Ind.T., January 26, 1900.

Hon. Pleasant Porter,

Principal Chief, Creek Nation,

Muscogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:

You are respectfully advised that the Act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on December 16, 1899, and entitled:

"An Act appropriating \$2,375.20 for per diem and mileage of members, clerk and interpreter of the House of Kings",

was submitted by the Honorable Secretary of the Interior to the President of the United States for executive action on January 11, 1900, and was duly approved on the same day, and has been placed on file in the Office of Indian Affairs at Washington.

Very respectfully,

J. Geo. Wright,

U.S. Indian Inspector, for
the Indian Territory.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma. No. 5. General letters, Pleasant Porter, Principal Chief.

AN ACT APPROPRIATING \$2575.20 FOR PER DIEM AND MILEAGE OF MEMBERS,
CLERK AND INTERPRETER OF THE HOUSE OF KINGS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:- There be and is hereby appropriated out of the general fund the sum of Two Thousand (\$2375.20) three hundred and seventy five and 20/100 Dollars in favor of members, clerk and interpreter of the House of Kings, being payment of the mileage and per diem of the organization session of Council of 1899. The same to be paid out in accordance with such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior, for the disbursement of Creek funds.

Names	Miles	Mileage	Days	Per Diem	Total
Thomas J. Adams	8	1.60	12	48.00	49.60
Austin Anderson			12	48.00	48.00
Roland Brown			12	48.00	48.00
Billy Barnett			12	48.00	48.00
Joseph Buck			12	48.00	48.00
James Byrd			12	48.00	48.00
Joseph Bruner			12	48.00	48.00
Paro Bruner			12	48.00	48.00
Charles Coachman			12	48.00	48.00
Ottawa Cain			12	48.00	48.00
George Coser	44	8.80	12	48.00	56.80
P.R. Ewing			12	48.00	48.00
Thomas Frank			12	48.00	48.00
N.G. Gregory	40	8.00	12	48.00	56.00
Robert Grayson			12	48.00	48.00

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Names	Miles	Mileage	Days	Per Diem	Total
James Hill	40	8.00	12	48.00	56.00
Tobe Hill	45	9.00	12	48.00	57.00
George W.Hill			12	48.00	48.00
William Hill	39	7.80	12	48.00	55.80
David Harry			12	48.00	48.00
Yartehka Harjoehee	35	7.00	12	48.00	55.00
Timmie Jessey	53	10.60	12	48.00	58.60
Gabral Jamerson	60	12.00	12	48.00	60.00
John A.Jacobs	65	15.00	12	48.00	61.00
Wilson Knight			12	48.00	48.00
George Kanard			12	48.00	48.00
S.J.Logan	35	7.00	12	48.00	55.00
Thomas Lunda	8	10.60	12	48.00	49.60
Concharty Micco			12	48.00	48.00
Joseph Mingo			12	48.00	48.00
Lewis McHenry	45	9.00	12	48.00	57.00
T.W.Perryman			12	48.00	48.00
Parchena	40	8.00	12	48.00	56.00
Tulmarsey Scott	28	5.60	12	48.00	53.60
James Starr	25	5.00	12	48.00	53.00
Joe Smith	47	9.40	12	48.00	57.40
James Smith			12	48.00	48.00
Simmer			12	48.00	48.00
Wiley Suckey			12	48.00	48.00
Pufney Tiger	28	5.60	12	48.00	53.60
March Thompson			12	48.00	48.00
John Wesley			12	48.00	48.00

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Names	Miles	Mileage	Days	Per diem	Total
Sampson Yahola	47	9.40	12	48.00	48.00
Mitchell Yargee	25	5.00	12	48.00	53.00
Bunnie McIntosh, Interpreter			12	48.00	48.00
Lee McNevins			12	48.00	48.00
William Penn	39	7.80	2	8.00	15.80
					<u>\$2375.20</u>

Adopted Dec.15th,1899.

Lee McNevins
Clerk

T.W.Perryman
President House of Kings.

Concurred in, Dec.16th,1899.

A.P.McKellop
Clerk

Amos McIntosh
Speaker House of Warriors.

Approved, Dec.16th,1899.

J.E.Tiger,
Private Secretary.

P.Porter
Principal Chief, M.N.

APPROVED by
Wm.McKinley
Jany.11,1899.

Muscogee (Creek) Nation

AN ACT

TO PROVIDE FOR THE TRANSFER OF THE NUYAKA INDIAN BOARDING SCHOOL
OWNED AND CONTROLLED BY THE PRESBYTERIAN BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSCOGEE NATION
that there be and is hereby appropriated out of the School Funds
of the Muscogee Nation the sum of Ten Thousand (\$10,000.00)
Dollars in favor of A. Grant Evans agent of the Presbyterian Board
of Home Mission to be paid in installments as follows \$5,000.00
Five Thousand Dollars January 1, 1900 \$2500.00 Two Thousand Five
Hundred Dollars January 1, 1901 for all their right title and
interest in and to all buildings and improvement known as the
Nuyaka Indian Boarding School and situated about 15 miles west
of Okmulgee Creek Nation in accordance with the terms of an agree-
ment a copy of which is appended to this act
Said sums to be paid under such rules and regulations as may be
prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior for the disbursement
of Creek funds.

Lee McNeVins
Clerk H. of Kings.

Adopted Dec. 16th, 1899

T. W. Perryman
Pres. H. of Kings.

A. P. McKellop
Clerk of H. of W.

Concurred in Dec. 16th, 1899
Amos McIntosh
Speaker H. of Warriors.

J. E. Tiger
Private Secretary

Approved Dec. 16th, 1899

Approved: by Wm. McKinley
January 13, 1900.

P. Porter
Principal Chief of Muscogee
Nation.

--P. Porters general letters. No. 6.--

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
Office of U.S. Indian Inspector,

For
Indian Territory,

Muscogee, Ind.T., January 26, 1900.

Hon. Pleasant Porter,
Principal Chief, Creek Nation,
Muscogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:

You are respectfully advised that the Act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on December 16, 1899, and entitled:

"An Act to provide for the transfer of the Nuyaka Indian Boarding School owned and controlled by the Presbyterian Board of Home Missions,"

was submitted by the Honorable Secretary of the Interior to the President of the United States for executive action on January 12, 1900, and was duly approved on the 13th instant and has been placed on file in the Office of Indian Affairs at Washington.

Very respectfully,

J. Geo. Wright

U.S. Indian Inspector, for
the Indian Territory.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Indian Inspector
For

Indian Territory,

D-1360.
Act No.2.

Muskogee, Ind.T., Nov.30,1900.

Honorable P.Porter,
Principal Chief Creek Nation,
Muskogee, Indian Territory,

Sir:

You are respectfully advised that the act of the National Council of the Creek Nation approved by yourself on October 19, 1900, and entitled-

"An act making an appropriation in favor of Jos.Howard",
- was submitted by the Honorable Secretary of the Interior to the President of the United States for executive action on November 15 1900, was duly approved on the 16th instant and has been placed on file in the Office of Indian Affairs, at Washington.

J.Geo.Wright,

U.S.Indian Inspector,
for Indian Territory.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma. No. 8. General letters,
Pleasant Porter.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION: That there be, and is hereby, appropriated the sum of Three Hundred Seventy-five (\$375.00) Dollars, out of the general funds, not otherwise appropriated, in favor of Joseph Howard, being for services rendered as Superintendent of the Colored Orphan Home for the first, second and third quarters of the scholastic year of 1897-1898.

Said sum to be paid in accordance with such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior for the disbursement of Creek funds.

A D O P T E D October 19, 1900.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh
Speaker, House of Warriors.

C O N C U R R E D I N October 19, 1900.

Lee McNevis
Clerk.

T.W. Perryman
President House of Kings.

A P P R O V E D October 19, 1900.

P. Porter
Principal Chief.

ATTEST:

W.S. Fears
Acting Private Secretary.

--Pleasant Porters general letters. No. 3.--

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Indian Inspector

For

Indian Territory,

D 1338-'00
Cr. Act No. 9

Muscogee, Ind. T.,

November 22, 1900.

Honorable P. Porter,
Principal Chief, Creek Nation,
Muscogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:

You are respectfully advised that the act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on October 25, 1900, and entitled -

"Appropriation in favor of American Book Company and
Goldsmith Book and Stationery Company,"

- was submitted by the Honorable Secretary of the Interior to the President of the United States for executive action on November 12, 1900, was duly approved on the 13th instant, and has been placed on file in the office of Indian Affairs at Washington.

Very respectfully,

J. Geo. Wright,

U.S. Indian Inspector,
for Indian Territory.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma. Pleasant Porters
general letters. No. 13.

Appropriation in favor of American
Book Co., and Goldsmith Book &
Stationary Company.

Be it enacted by the National Council of the Muskogee Nation:

That there be and is hereby appropriated, out of the General Fund of the Muskogee Nation, the sum of One Thousand & Fifty (\$1,050.00) Dollars in favor of the American Book Company, of Chicago, Illinois, being payment for books furnished the schools of the Muskogee Nation in 1898;

Also the sum of \$300.00 in favor of the Goldsmith Book & Stationary Company, being payment for slates, pencils, tablets and other supplies furnished the schools of the Muskogee Nation in 1898.

Said sums to be paid out in accordance with such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior for the disbursement of Creek funds.

A D O P T E D October 25th, 1900

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Siah Grey
Speaker, House of Warriors,
Pro Tem

C O N C U R R E D I N October 25th, 1900.

Lee McNeVins
Clerk.

T.W. Perryman
President, House of Kings.

A P P R O V E D October 25, 1900.

P. Porter,
Principal Chief.

ATTEST:

W.S. Fears,
Acting Private Secretary.

--P. Porter general letters, No. 13.--

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
Office of U.S. Indian Inspector,
For
Indian Territory,

Muscogee, Ind.T., January 26, 1900.

Hon. Pleasant Porter,
Principal Chief, Creek Nation,
Muscogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:

You are respectfully advised that the Act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on December 16, 1899, and entitled:

"An Act appropriating \$380.65 to be used in buying furniture etc. for Coweta Mission",

was submitted by the Honorable Secretary of the Interior to the President of the United States for executive action on January 12, 1900, and was duly approved on the 13th instant, and has been placed on file in the Office of Indian Affairs at Washington.

Very respectfully,

J. Geo. Wright,

U.S. Indian Inspector,
for the Indian Territory.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma. No. 15. Pleasant Porters general letters.

AN ACT

APPROPRIATING \$380.65 TO BE USED IN BUYING FURNITURE ETC FOR COWETA
MISSION.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:- That Three Hundred (\$380.65) and Eighty and 65/100 Dollars, balance left of the appropriation of March 1899, for the repairing of Coweta Mission be and the same is hereby converted into a special appropriation to be used in payment of so much of the bill of furniture etc bought of the Turner Hardware Co. as has been delivered to the Coweta Mission. Provided, the said sum shall be paid out under rules and regulations of the Secretary of the Interior prescribed for the disbursement of Creek funds.

Adopted, Dec. 16th, 1899.

Lee McNevins
Clerk.

T.W. Perryman
President House of Kings

Concurred in, Dec. 16th, 1899.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh
Speaker House of Warriors.

Approved, Dec. 16th, 1899.

J.E. Tiger,
Private Secretary.

P. Porter
Principal Chief, M.N.

APPROVED by
Wm. McKinley
Jany. 13, 1900.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
Office of U.S. Indian Inspector,
For
INDIAN TERRITORY,
Muscogee, Ind.T.,

Jan. 26, 1900.

Hon. Pleasant Porter,
Principal Chief, Creek Nation,
Muscogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:

You are respectfully advised that the Act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on December 16, 1899, and entitled:

"An Act to provide for pay of chaplain during the extra session of Council of Dec., 1899",

was submitted by the Honorable Secretary of the Interior to the President of the United States for executive action on January 12, 1900, and was duly approved on the 13th instant, and has been placed on file in the Office of Indian Affairs at Washington.

Very respectfully,

J. Geo. Wright,

U.S. Indian Inspector, for
the Indian Territory.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Indian Inspector
For

D 1337-'00
Cr.Act No. 7

Indian Territory,

Muscogee, Ind.T., November 22, 1900

Honorable P.Porter,
Principal Chief, Creek Nation,
Muscogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:

You are respectfully advised that the act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on October 24, 1900, and entitled -

"Appropriation in favor of G.W.Grayson,"

- was submitted by the Honorable Secretary of the Interior to the President of the United States for executive action on November 12, 1900, was duly approved on the 13th instant, and has been placed on file in the Office of Indian Affairs at Washington.

Very respectfully,

J.Geo.Wright,

U.S.Indian Inspector,
for Indian Territory.

APPROPRIATION IN FAVOR OF G. W. GRAYSON.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE
NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated, out of the General Fund, the sum of One Hundred Twelve & 60/100 (\$112.60) Dollars, in favor of G.W.Grayson, being for services rendered in the work of translating the Creek-Dawes Agreement of February 1,1899.

Said sum to be paid in accordance with such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior for the disbursement of Creek funds.

A D O P T E D October 24,1900.

A.P.McKellop
Clerk.

Siah Gray
Speaker, House of Warriors,Pro Tem

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C O N C U R R E D I N October 24,1900.

Lee McNeVins
Clerk.

T.W.Perryman
President, House of Kings.

A P P R O V E D October 24,1900.

P.Porter

Principal Chief.

ATTEST:

W.S.Fears
Acting Private Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
Office of U.S. Indian Inspector,
For

Indian Territory,

Muscogee, Ind.T., Jan. 26, 1900.

Hon. Pleasant Porter,
Principal Chief, Creek Nation,
Muscogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:

You are respectfully advised that the Act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on December 16, 1899, and entitled:

"An Act appropriating \$5,001.40 to pay members, clerks, and interpreters of the House of Warriors",

was submitted by the Honorable Secretary of the Interior to the President of the United States for executive action on January 12, 1900, and was duly approved on the 13th instant, and has been placed on file in the Office of Indian Affairs at Washington.

Very respectfully,

J. Geo. Wright,

U.S. Indian Inspector,
for the Indian Territory.

-----AN ACT-----

APPROPRIATING \$5001.40 TO PAY MEMBERS, CLERK AND INTERPRETER OF
THE HOUSE OF WARRIORS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE
NATION:- That there be and is hereby appropriated the sum of Five
Thousand, (\$5001.40) and one and 40/100 Dollars in favor of the
members, clerk and interpreter of the House of Warriors for the
Dec. session 1899, of the National Council.

The same to be paid under such rules and regulations as may
be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior for the disbursement
of Creek funds.

Names	Miles	Mileage	Days	Per diem	Total
Amos McIntosh	22	4.40	12	48.00	52.40
Jimsey Asbury	41	8.20	12	48.00	56.20
Mose Asbury	7	1.40	12	48.00	49.40
Wash Adams	14	old	12	48.00	48.00
James Barnett	33	6.60	12	48.00	54.60
William Barnett			12	48.00	48.00
Wilson Beaver	25	5.00	12	48.00	53.00
Pleasant Berryhill	4	80	12	48.00	48.80
John Bright	47	9.40	12	48.00	57.40
James Broadenax			12	48.00	48.00
Jacob S. Brown	22	4.40	12	48.00	52.40
Barney Bruner	67	15.40	12	48.00	61.40
Thomas Bruner			12	48.00	48.00
Wiley Buckner	45	8.60	12	48.00	56.60
G.W. Canard	18	5.60	12	48.00	51.60
Joe Canard	6	2.20	12	48.00	49.20

---P. Porter general letters. No. 20.---

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NAMES	Miles	Mileage	Days	Per diem	Total
J.T.Canard	35	7.00	12	48.00	55.00
Limbo Carr	30	6.00	12	48.00	54.00
P.R.Ceasar	40	8.00	12	48.00	56.00
Lewis Childers	55	11.00	12	48.00	59.00
John Chupko	37	7.40	12	48.00	55.40
George Clinton	38	7.60	12	48.00	55.60
Alec Davis			12	48.00	48.00
Bob Daniels	45	9.00	12	48.00	57.00
J.P.Davidson	35	7.00	12	48.00	55.00
Dickson	45	9.00	12	48.00	57.00
David Dixon	45	9.00	12	48.00	57.00
Lawyer Deere			12	48.00	48.00
L.C.Drew	47	9.40	12	48.00	57.40
N.E.Durant	40	8.00	12	48.00	56.00
Nocus Emarthla	35	7.00	12	48.00	55.00
Harper Fields			12	48.00	48.00
Tulmochus Fixeco	38	7.60	12	48.00	55.60
Nocus Fixeco			12	48.00	48.00
Tobe Franklin			12	48.00	48.00
William Francis	41	8.20	12	48.00	56.20
Robert Frye	36	7.20	12	48.00	55.20
W.E.Gentry			12	48.00	48.00
Siah Gray			12	48.00	48.00
Tobe Grayson	30	6.00	12	48.00	54.00
Barney Green	50	10.00	12	48.00	58.00
Bustin Hawkins			12	48.00	48.00

---P.Porters general letters--- No. 20.--

Names	Miles	Mileage	Days	Per diem	Total
Wm. Hawkins			12	48.00	48.00
David Harry	32	6.40	12	48.00	54.40
Hotulke Harjo	49	9.80	12	48.00	57.80
H.M. Harjo			12	48.00	48.00
Woxey Harjo	25	5.00	12	48.00	53.00
Totkis Harjo	40	8.00	12	48.00	56.00
Oches Harjo	25	5.00	12	48.00	53.00
Cobrey Hill	15	3.00	12	48.00	51.00
Thomas E. Holden	32	6.40	12	48.00	54.40
George Island			12	48.00	48.00
Mose Jimison			12	48.00	48.00
Robert Johnson			12	<u>48.00</u>	<u>48.00</u>
Una Johnson	8	1.60	12	48.00	49.60
Daniel Johnson			12	48.00	48.00
Martin Jones	56	11.20	12	48.00	59.20
D.A. Lee	20	4.00	12	48.00	52.00
J.H. Lewis	50	10.00	12	48.00	58.00
P.A. Lewis			12	48.00	48.00
Thomas Long			12	48.00	48.00
Hardy Mamuel	32	6.40	12	48.00	54.40
Alec Mike	37	7.40	12	48.00	55.40
Lewis McGilbra	40	8.00	12	48.00	56.00
George McGilbra	15	3.00	12	48.00	51.00
J.C. Morrison	36	7.20	12	48.00	55.20
John Myers	35	7.00	12	48.00	55.00
Mussa Nahaka	40	8.00	12	48.00	56.00
Jim Noon	65	13.00	12	48.00	61.00

Names	Miles	Mileage	Days	Per diem	Total
W.A.Palmer	55	11.00	12	48.00	59.00
C.B.Perryman	48	9.60	12	48.00	57.60
Enos Perryman	43	8.60	12	48.00	56.60
Isom Peter			12	48.00	48.00
Joe Primas			12	48.00	48.00
W.A.Rentie	40	8.00	12	48.00	56.00
Sampson Richard	16	3.20	12	48.00	51.20
Dave Roberts	40	8.00	12	48.00	56.00
A.G.W.Sango	42	8.40	12	48.00	56.40
Robert Salumber			12	48.00	48.00
Mose Sawyer			12	48.00	48.00
Snow Sells			12	48.00	48.00
R.M.Stevens			12	48.00	48.00
R.W.Stewart			12	48.00	48.00
Wesley Smith			12	48.00	48.00
Roley Taylor	35	7.00	4	16.00	23.00
Billie Tiger	44	8.80	6	24.00	32.80
John Tiger			12	48.00	48.00
G.W.Tiger	44	8.80	12	48.00	56.80
Seber Thlocco	52	10.40	12	48.00	58.40
Eddie Walker	30	6.00	10	48.00	54.00
Stann Waitie	46	9.20	12	48.00	57.20
James Yarber	52	10.40	12	48.00	58.40
Chapley Yohola	35	7.00	2	8.00	15.00
Sarty Cowe	38	7.60	2	8.00	15.60
A.P.McKellop, Clerk		473.80	12	48.00	48.00
G.W.Grayson, Interpreter			12	48.00	48.00

--P.Porters general letters.No.20---

\$5001.40

Adopted, Dec.16th,1899.

A.P.McKellop
Clerk

Amos McIntosh
Speaker House of Warriors.

Concurred in, Dec.16th,1899.

Lee McNevins
Clerk.

T.W.Perryman
President House of Kings.

Approved, Dec.16th,1899.

J.E.Tiger,
Private Secretary.

P.Porter
Principal Chief, M.N.

APPROVED: by

Wm.McKinley
Jany.13,1900

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
Office of U.S. Indian Inspector
For
Indian Territory

Muscogee, Ind.T., Jan.26,1900.

Hon.Pleasant Porter,
Principal Chief, Creek Nation,
Muscogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:

You are respectfully advised that the Act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on December 12,1899, and entitled:

"An Act to provide for the support of the Coweta National Boarding School",

was submitted by the Honorable Secretary of the Interior to the President of the United States for executive action on January 12, 1900, and was duly approved on the 13th instant, and has been placed on file in the Office of Indian Affairs at Washington.

Very respectfully,

J.Geo.Wright,

U.S.Indian Inspector, for
the Indian Territory.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma. No. 24. Pleasant Porters general letters.

Muscogee (Creed) Nation

AN ACT

TO PROVIDE FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE COWETA NATIONAL BOARDING SCHOOL

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSCOGEE NATION

That there be and is hereby appropriated out of the School funds of the Muscogee Nation the sum of Forty five hundred Dollars \$4,500.00 for the support of the Coweta National Boarding School for the Scholastic year ending November 15,1900.

Said sum to be paid out in accordance with such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior.

Lee McNevins
Clerk of the H of K

Adopted Dec.11th,1899
T.W.Perryman

A.P.McKellop
Clk.H. of W.

Concurred in Dec.11th,1899
Amos McIntosh
Sp. H. of Warriors

J.E.Tiger
Private Secretary

Approved Dec.12,1899

P.Porter
Principal Chief of the
Muscogee Nation.

APPROVED:

Wm.McKinley
Jany.13,1900.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
Office of U.S. Indian Inspector,
For
Indian Territory,
Muscogee, Ind.T.,
January 26, 1900.

Hon. Pleasant Porter,
Principal Chief, Creek Nation,
Muscogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:

You are respectfully advised that the Act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on December 15, 1899, and entitled:

"An Act to provide for the support of Nuyaka Indian Boarding School",

was submitted by the Honorable Secretary of the Interior to the President of the United States for executive action on January 12, 1900, and was duly approved on the 13th instant, and has been placed on file in the Office of Indian Affairs at Washington.

Very respectfully,

J. Geo. Wright,

U.S. Indian Inspector, for
the Indian Territory.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma. No. 27. Pleasant Porters general letters.

Muscogee Nation.

AN ACT

TO PROVIDE FOR THE SUPPORT OF NUYAKA INDIAN BOARDING SCHOOL.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSCOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated out of the School funds of the Muscogee Nation, the sum of Fifty Six Hundred (\$5,600.00) Dollars, for the support of Nuyaka Indian Boarding School formerly owned and controlled by the Presbyterian Home Mission Board. Said sum to be applied to expenses of the school during the scholastic year beginning Sept. 30th, 1899 and ending Sept; 30th, 1900, in accordance with such rules and regulations as shall be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior for the disbursements of Creek funds.

Lee McNevis
Clerk of House of Kings.

Adopted Dec. 15th, 1899
T. W. Perryman
Pres. of H. of K.

A. P. McKellop
Clerk of House of Warriors.

Concurred in Dec. 15th, 1899
Amos McIntosh
Speaker of H. of Warriors.

J. E. Tiger,
Private Secretary.

Approved Dec. 15th, 1899
P. Porter
Prin. Chief, M. N.

APPROVED: by
Wm. McKinley
Jan. 13, 1900.

--Pleasant Porters general letters. No. 27.--

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Indian Inspector

For

D-1359.
Act No. 15.

Indian Territory,

Muscogee, Ind.T., Nov.30,1900.

Honorable P.Porter,

Principal Chief Creek Nation,

Muskogee, Indian Territory,

Sir:

You are respectfully advised that the act of the National Council of the Creek Nation approved by yourself on October 29, 1900, and entitled-

"An act making appropriation for contingent expenses of Executive Office,"

- was submitted by the Honorable Secretary of the Interior to the President of the United States for executive action on November 15,1900, was duly approved on the 16th instant and has been placed on file in the Office of Indian Affairs, at Washington.

Very respectfully,

J.Geo.Wright,

U.S.Indian Inspector,
for Indian Territory.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma. No. 33. Pleasant Porters general letters.

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATION FOR CONTINGENT EXPENSES
OF EXECUTIVE OFFICE.

Be it enacted by the National Council of the Muskogee Nation;

That there be and is hereby appropriated, out of the General Fund of the Muskogee Nation, the sum of Two Thousand (\$2,000.00) Dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to be expended by the Principal Chief in employing Stenographer and other clerical help necessary for the proper conduct of the business of the Executive Office for the fiscal year ending December fourth, 1901, and other expenses necessarily incurred. In the expenditure of this appropriation the Principal Chief shall be required to take the necessary vouchers, and make report of the same to the next annual Council.

A D O P T E D October 27th, 1900.

Lee McNevin
Clerk.

T.W. Parryman
President, House of Kings.

C O N C U R R E D I N October 29, 1900.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Siah Gray
Speaker, House of Warriors, Pro Tem.

A P P R O V E D October 29, 1900.

P. Porter,
Principal Chief.

ATTEST:

W.S. Fears,
Acting Private Secretary.

List of Acts transmitted December 10, 1901, to United States Indian Inspector, for transmittal to the Department:

Appropriation of \$772.98 in favor of Spaulding-Hutchinson Mercantile Company.

Act in favor of G.C. Kindley,	\$28.67--Nov. 30, 1901
Rosanna Mitchell,	35.00
Howard Jenkins,	125.00--Nov. 26, 1901
Hagar Myers, et al,	214.60
Ben McIntosh, et al,	108.90--Dec. 6, 1901
Crum Island,	105.63
Neighborhood Schools,	13,000.00--Nov. 27, 1901
J.M. Rentie,	100.00--Dec. 3, 1901
Wm. Grimmitt,	450.00
Harsha & Spaulding,	2185.18
Jennie McIntosh,	75.00
Roley McIntosh, Et al,	216.00

Resolution in reference to the destruction of Game.

Resolution in reference to the approval of Roll of citizenship.

Resolution in reference to the introduction of cattle.

Tookah Ross	100.00--Dec. 2, 1901
General Officers	8450.00--Oct. 15
Boarding Schools	Oct 7
Exp. & Per Diem of Del. to Wash.	600.00--Oct. 15, 1901
Reed & McKellop	1500.00-122.15 Bal Dec. 5, 1901
Architect	300.00--Oct. 12
Exp. Ev. Office	2000.00--1840.85
Sam Foster	8.00--Oct 7

--P. Porters general letters--ACTS.--

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List of Acts transmitted December 10, 1901 to the United States Indian Inspector, for his information.

Act in reference to salary of Janitor.

Act in favor of James Town, \$102.00

Pay Roll, House of Kings, Dec. 6, 1901

Pay Roll, House of Warriors. Dec. 5, 1901

Pay Roll, Committee Clerks.

Appropriation in favor of E.B. Childers, \$6.00

Appropriation in favor of J.H. Amberger, 10.40

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma. --ACTS--
Pleasant Porters general letters.

AN ACT

Appropriating \$100.00 in favor of Tookah Ross, being for services rendered as teacher at Wealaka Boarding School, during the scholastic year 1895-1896.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated the sum of One Hundred dollars in favor of Tookah Ross for services rendered as teacher in the Wealaka Boarding School in the scholastic year 1895-1896.

Said sum to be paid out of the General Fund of the Muskogee Nation, and under such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior.

Adopted October 16, 1901.

Lee McNevins
Clerk

T.W. Perryman
President, House of Kings.

Concurred in October 16, 1901.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh
Speaker, House of Warriors.

Approved October 17, 1901.

P. Porter
Principal Chief.

WHITE HOUSE.

Approved, Dec. 2, 1901.

Theodore Roosevelt.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE.

Muskogee Nation.

Okmulgee, I.T.,

October 17, 1901.

I, P. PORTER, Principal Chief of the Muskogee Nation, do hereby certify that the foregoing is an act of the National Council of said Nation, passed at its regular session of October, 1901, and approved by me in my Official character on October 17, 1901, and I hereby submit the same for the approval of the President of the United States under the provisions of an Act of Congress of March 1, 1901, and of the Creek National Council of May 25, 1901, entitled "An Act to ratify and confirm an agreement with the Muskogee of Creek Tribe of Indians, and for other purposes."

Inasmuch as the Muskogee Nation has no Officer known as the National Secretary, I have signed my name to this certificate, and caused the same to be attested by the Private Secretary.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto signed my name as Principal Chief of the Muskogee Nation this 17th day of October, 1901 and have caused the Great Seal of the Muskogee Nation to be affixed.

P. Porter
Principal Chief of the Muskogee
Nation.

ATTEST:

W. S. Fears
Acting Private Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Indian Inspector
D 3355-1902
For

Indian Territory,

Muskogee, Ind.T., Jan.23,1902.

Honorable P.Porter,
Principal Chief, Creek Nation,
Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:-

I have to respectfully advise you that the resolution of your National Council approved by yourself on December 4,1901, and entitled "A resolution in reference to the enclosing of unlotted lands in the Creek Nation," was submitted by the Department to the President for executive action on January 4,1902, and was disapproved January 7,1902.

The Honorable Secretary of the Interior in submitting this act called attention to the provisions of section 37 and 38 of the Creek Agreement, as ratified by the act of March 1,1901, and stated that the law cannot be affected or modified in any way by a resolution of your National Council, and as such resolution appears to be in conflict with the sections referred to, he recommended the act for disapproval.

Such resolution bearing the disapproval of the President is respectfully enclosed herewith.

Very respectfully,
J.Geo.Wright,
U.S.Indian Inspector for I.T.

--Pleasant Porters general letters.--ACTS.--

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Indian Inspector
For
Indian Territory,

D 2982-'01

Muskogee, Ind.T.,

Nov.12,1901

Hon.F.Porter,

Prin.Chief Creek Nation.

Sir:

I have to respectfully advise you that the act of the National Council of your Nation, approved by yourself on October 7,1901, and entitled, -

"An Act making appropriation for the support of the
National Boarding schools and orphan asylums
of the Muskogee Nation,"

was submitted by the Department to the President of the United States for executive action on October 31,1901, and was duly approved on November 1,1901; and the said act, bearing the approval of the President, is inclosed herewith.

Very respectfully,

J.Geo.Wright,

U.S.Indian Inspector
for Indian Territory.

--P.Porters general letters.--ACTS.--

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Indian Inspector
For

D 3390-1902

Indian Territory,

Muskogee, Ind.T., Jan.25,1902.

Honorable P.Porter,

Principal Chief, Creek Nation,

Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:-

I have to respectfully advise you that the act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on December 5,1901, and entitled "An act making an appropriation in favor of Harsha & Spaulding," was submitted by the Department to the President for executive action on January 15,1902, and was duly approved January 16,1902.

The said act bearing the approval of the President is respectfully enclosed herewith.

Very respectfully,

J.Geo.Wright,

U.S.Indian Inspector
for Indian Territory.

--P.Porters general letters.--ACTS.--

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Indian Inspector
For

D 3392-1902

Indian Territory,

Muskogee, Ind.T., Jan.25,1902

Hon.P.Porter,

Principal Chief, Creek Nation,

Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:-

I have to respectfully advise you that the act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on December 5,1901, and entitled "An act making an appropriation in favor of Spaulding-Hutchinson Mer. Co.," was submitted by the Department to the President for executive action on January 13,1902, and was duly approved on January 16,1902.

The said act bearing the approval of the President is respectfully enclosed herewith.

Very respectfully,

J.Geo.Wright,

U.S.Indian Inspector
for Indian Territory.

--P.Porters general letters.--ACTS.--

MAY Session, 1901.

CREEK NATION.

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATION IN FAVOR OF C.G.MOORE, MARY MARSHALL,
J.W.SANDERS AND C.H.TULLY.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated, out of the General Fund of the nation, the following sums, to-wit:

In favor of C.G.Moore the sum of Five Hundred, Twenty-three Dollars and seventy-six cents (\$523.76), being for books and supplies furnished the Muskogee Nation during the years of 1897 and 1898;

In favor of Mary Marshall the sum of Seventy Dollars and Twenty-five cents, being in lieu of two warrants issued to her for school work, which she submitted to the warrant committee for registration and which were misplaced and not returned;

In favor of J.W.Sanders the sum of Two Hundred and Forty Dollars and Thirty-five Cents (\$240.35), being payment for repairs in and about Tallehassee Boarding School, made in the scholastic year of 1897 and 1898;

In favor of C.H.Tully the sum of Four Hundred, Seventy-One Dollars and Nine Cents (\$471.09), being for merchandise furnished the Eufaula High School in preparation for the opening of the school for the first quarter of 1899.

Said sums to be paid in accordance with such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior
--P.Porters general letters.--ACTS.--

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for the disbursement of Creek funds.

APPROVED BY THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF, P.Porter, May 10,1901;

APPROVED BY THE PRESIDENT, WILLIAM MCKINLEY, June 11,1901,

(See D-2322-1901).

--p.porters general letters.--ACTS.--

A N A C T

Providing for the pay of the General Officers of the Muskogee Nation.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated, out of the General Fund of the Muskogee Nation, the sum of Eight thousand for hundred fifty (\$8,450.00) Dollars, for the salaries of the general Officers of the Muskogee Nation for the year ending December 4, 1902, as follows, to-wit:

Principal Chief,	\$1,000.00
Second Chief	600.00
Auditor	600.00
Superintendent of Public Instructions	800.00
Private Secretary	400.00
Janitor	150.00--200.
Superintendent of Eufaula High School	600.00
Superintendent of Wetumka Boarding School	600.00
Superintendent of Tallahassee Boarding School	600.00
Superintendent of Creek Orphan Home	600.00
Superintendent of Euchee Boarding School	500.00
Superintendent of Coweta Boarding School	500.00
Superintendent of Wealaka Boarding School	500.00
Superintendent of Pecan Creek Boarding School	500.00
Superintendent of Colored Orphan Asylum	500.00
In all	<u>\$8,450.00</u>

Said sum to be paid out in accordance with such rules and

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regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior
for the disbursement of Creek funds.

A D O P T E D October 12, 1901.

Lee McNevins
Clerk.

T.W. Perryman
Pres. H. of Kings.

C O N C U R R E D I N October 12, 1901.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Alex Davis
Speaker House of Warriors,
pro tem

A P P R O V E D October 15, 1901.

P. Porter,
Principal Chief.

ATTEST:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE.

Muskogee Nation.

Okmulgee, I.T., October 15, 1901.

I.P.PORTER, Principal Chief of the Muskogee Nation, do hereby certify that the foregoing is an act of the National Council of said Nation, passed at its regular session of October, 1901, and approved by me in my official character on October 15, 1901, and I hereby submit the same for the approval of the President of the United States under the provisions of an act of Congress of March 1, 1901, and of the Creek National Council of May 25, 1901, entitled "An act to ratify and confirm an agreement with the Muskogee or Creek tribe of Indians, and for other purposes.

Inasmuch as the Muskogee Nation has no Officer known as the National Secretary, I have signed my name to this certificate and caused the same to be attested by the Private Secretary.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto signed my name as Principal Chief of the Muskogee Nation this 15th day of October, 1901, and have caused the Great Seal of the Muskogee Nation to be affixed.

P.Porter

Principal Chief of the Muskogee Nation.

ATTEST:

Acting Private Secretary.

--Pleasant Porters general letters.--ACTS.--

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Indian Inspector
For
Indian Territory

D-3222-1901

Muskogee, Ind.T., Dec.30,1901.

Mr. Pleasant Porter,
Principal Chief Creek Nation,
Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:

I have to respectfully advise you that the act of the National Council of the Creek or Muskogee Nation, approved by yourself on October 15,1901, and entitled,-

"An act appropriating \$600.00 to be used in defraying the expenses and per diem of a commission appointed under act of National Council of May 25,1901, to negotiate or to complete negotiations with the Dawes Commission as to supplemental agreement," was submitted by the Department to the President for executive action on December 17,1901, and was duly approved on December 19, 1901.

The act bearing the approval of the President is respectfully returned herewith.

While the Department recommended this act for approval, the Honorable Secretary of the Interior instructed me, however, that hereafter in similar cases it will be required that a detailed statement be transmitted with the act, showing all items of expenditures upon which warrants for the original appropriation were made.

Very respectfully,
J.Geo.Wright,U.S.Ind.Insp.for
I.T.

--P.Porters general letters--
--ACTS.--

A N A C T

Appropriating six hundred dollars, to be used in defraying the expenses and per diem of a commission appointed under act of the National Council of May 25, 1901, to negotiate, or to complete negotiations with the Dawes Commission as to Supplemental Agreement.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated, out of the General Fund of the Muskogee Nation, the sum of six hundred dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to be used in defraying the expenses and per diem of the commission appointed under act of the National council of May 25, 1901, to negotiate a supplemental agreement with the Dawes Commission, at the rate of seven dollars per day each, upon vouchers made by them to the Principal Chief, and the Principal Chief is hereby authorized to issue warrants to said commission for the time served in the performance of their duty.

Also the Chairman of the Commission shall furnish vouchers for such necessary contingent expenses incident to their work.

This appropriation is made necessary for the reason that the negotiations in reference to the supplemental agreement have not yet been completed, and the appropriation heretofore made for this purpose has been exhausted.

Adopted October 12, 1901.

A.P. McKellop--Clerk

Alex Davis--Speaker House of Warriors,
pro tem.

Concurred in October 12, 1901.

Lee McNevins--Clerk

T.W. Perryman--Pres. House of Kings

Approved October 15, 1901.

--P. Porters general letters.--

P. Porter, Prin. Chief. M.N.

--ACTS.--

EXECUTIVE OFFICE.

Muskogee Nation.

Okmulgee, I.T.,

October 15, 1901.

I.P.PORTER, Principal Chief of the Muskogee Nation, do hereby certify that the foregoing is an act of the National Council of said Nation, passed at its regular session of October, 1901, and approved by me in my Official character on October 15, 1901, and I hereby submit the same for the approval of the President of the United States under the provisions of an Act of Congress of March 1, 1901, and of the Creek National Council of May 25, 1901, entitled "An Act to ratify and confirm an agreement with the Muskogee or Creek Tribe of Indians, and for other purposes."

Inasmuch as the Muskogee Nation has no Officer known as the National Secretary, I have signed my name to this certificate, and caused the same to be attested by the Private Secretary.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto signed my name as Principal Chief of the Muskogee Nation this 15th day of October, 1901 and have caused the Great Seal of the Muskogee Nation to be affixed.

P.Porter

Principal Chief of the
Muskogee Nation.

Attest:

W.S.Fears
Acting Private Secretary.WHITE HOUSE.
Approved, December 19, 1901.
T.Roosevelt.

--Pleasant Porters general letters.--ACTS.--

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Indian Inspector

For

D 3435-1902

Indian Territory,

Muskogee, Ind.T.,

Jan.30,1902.

Honorable P.Porter,

Principal Chief, Creek Nation,

Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:-

There is respectfully returned herewith an act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on December 5,1901, and entitled -

AN ACT making an appropriation in favor of A.P.

McKellop and H.C.Reed, representatives of

the Creek Nation before Dawes Com.

This act was approved by the President on January 20,1902, as shown by his endorsement thereon.

Very respectfully,

J.Geo.Wright,

U.S.Indian Inspector
for Indian Territory.

A N A C T

Making appropriation in favor of A.P.McKellop and H.C. Reed, Representatives of Creek Nation before Dawes Com.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be, and is hereby, appropriated, out of the General Fund of the Muskogee Nation, the sum of One thousand five hundred dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, in favor of A.P.McKellop and H.C.Reed, for their per diem and necessary expenses, and for witness fees; said amount to be paid as provided under act of the National Council of November, 1900, and approved by the President of the United States December 3,1900, and approved by the President December 3,1900, and entitled "An Act providing for the appointment of two attorneys to represent the Muskogee Nation before the Dawes Commission."

Said amount to be paid in accordance with such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior for the disbursement of Creek funds.

Adopted December 5,1901.

A.P.McKellop
Clerk

Amos McIntosh
Speaker, House of Warriors.

Concurred in December 5,1901.

Lee McNevins
Clerk

T.W.Perryman
President House of Kings.

Approved December 5,1901.

P.Porter,
Principal Chief, Muskogee Na.

--Pleasant Porters general letters.--ACTS.--

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

Muskogee Nation.

Okmulgee, Indian Territory

December 7, 1901.

I.P.Porter, Principal Chief of the Muskogee Nation, do, hereby certify that the foregoing is an act of the National Council of said Nation, passed at its regular session of October, 1901, and approved by me in my official character on December 5, 1901, and I do hereby submit the same for the approval of the President of the United States under the provisions of an Act of Congress of March 1, 1901, and of the Creek National Council of May 25, 1901, entitled "An Act to ratify and confirm an agreement with the Muskogee or Creek tribe of Indians, and for other purposes."

Inasmuch as the Muskogee Nation has no Officer known as the "National Secretary," I have signed my name to this certificate, and caused the same to be attested by the Private Secretary.

In witness whereof I have hereunto signed my name as Principal Chief of the Muskogee Nation this 7th day of December, 1901 and have caused the Great Seal of the Muskogee Nation to be affixed.

P.Porter
Principal Chief of the
Muskogee (Creek) Nation.

Attest:

W.S.Fears
Acting Private Secretary.

WHITE HOUSE.
Approved, January 20, 1902.
T.Roosevelt.

--Pleasant Porters general letters.--ACTS.--

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Indian Inspector

For

D 3391-1902

Indian Territory,

Muskogee, Ind.T., Jan.25,1902

Honorable P.Porter,

Principal Chief, Creek Nation,

Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:-

I have to respectfully advise you that the act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on December 6,1901, and entitled "An act making an appropriation for the cancellation of auditor's certificates," was submitted by the Department to the President for executive action on January 13,1902, and was duly approved January 16,1902.

The said act bearing the approval of the President is respectfully enclosed herewith.

Very respectfully,

J.Geo.Wright,

U.S.Indian Inspector
for Indian Territory.

A N A C T

Making appropriation for the cancellation of
auditor's certificates.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated out of the
General Fund of the Muskogee Nation, the sum of one hundred and
eight dollars and ninety cents (\$108.90), in favor of the
persons whose names are hereto annexed, in the amounts set
opposite their respective names; being for the cancellation
of Auditor's certificates.

Said sum to be paid in accordance with such rules and
regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the
Interior.

Ben McIntosh,.....	\$89.90
Amos McIntosh,.....	6.00
Frank Likowski,.....	13.00
	<u>\$108.90</u>

Adopted December 6, 1901

Lee McNevens
Clerk

T.W. Perryman
President House of Kings

Concurred in December 6, 1901.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk

Amos McIntosh
Speaker House of Warriors.

Approved December 6, 1901.

P. Porter
Principal Chief Muskogee Na.

--Pleasant Porters general letters.-- ACTS.--

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

Muskogee Nation.

Okmulgee, Indian Territory,

December 7, 1901.

I.P.Porter, Principal Chief of the Muskogee Nation, do hereby certify that the foregoing is an act of the National Council of said Nation, passed at its regular session of October, 1901, and approved by me in my official character on December 6th, 1901, and I do hereby submit the same for the approval of the President of the United States under the provisions of an act of Congress of March 1, 1901, and of the Creek National Council of May 25, 1901, entitled "An Act to ratify and confirm an agreement with the Muskogee or Creek Tribe of Indians, and for other purposes."

Inasmuch as the Muskogee Nation has no Officer known as the "National Secretary", I have signed my name to this certificate, and caused the same to be attested by the Private Secretary.

In witness whereof I have hereunto signed my name as Principal Chief of the Muskogee Nation this 7th day of December, 1901, and have caused the Great Seal of the Muskogee Nation to be affixed.

P.Porter
Principal Chief of the Muskogee (Creek)
Nation.

Attest:

W.S.Fears
Acting Private Secretary.

WHITE HOUSE.
Approved, January 16, 1902.
T.Roosevelt.

--Pleasant Porters general letters.--ACTS.--

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Indian Inspector
For

Indian Territory,

Muskogee, Ind.T.,

Jan.25,1902.

D 3389-1902

Honorable P.Porter,
Principal Chief, Creek Nation,
Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:-

I have to respectfully advise you that the act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on November 26,1901, and entitled "an act making an appropriation in favor of Howard Jenkins," was submitted by the Department to the President for executive action on January 13,1902, and was duly approved on January 16th.

The said act bearing the approval of the President is respectfully enclosed herewith.

Very respectfully,

J.Geo.Wright,

U.S.Indian Inspector
for Indian Territory.

A N A C T

Making appropriation in favor of Howard Jenkins.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated, out of the General Fund of the Muskogee Nation in favor of Howard Jenkins, the sum of One hundred and twenty-five dollars, being for services rendered as Principal Teacher, Colored Orphan Home, September 5th, to November 15th, 1899.

Said sum to be paid out in accordance with such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior.

Adopted November 23, 1901.

Lee McNevins
Clerk

John R. Goat
President House of Kings, Pro Tem.

Concurred in November 25, 1901.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh
Speaker, House of Warriors.

Approved November 26, 1901.

P. Porter,
Principal Chief.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE.

Muskogee Nation.

Okmulgee, Indian Territory,

December 7, 1901.

I.P.Porter, Principal Chief of the Muskogee Nation, do hereby certify that the foregoing is an act of the National Council, of said Nation, passed at its regular session of October, 1901, and approved by me in my official character on November 26, 1901, and I do hereby submit the same for the approval of the President of the United States under the provisions of an Act of Congress of March 1, 1901, and of the Creek National Council of May 25, 1901, entitled "An Act to ratify and confirm an agreement with the Muskogee or Creek Tribe of Indians, and for other purposes."

Inasmuch as the Muskogee Nation has no Officer known as the "National Secretary," I have signed my name to this certificate and caused the same to be attested by the Private Secretary.

In witness whereof I have hereunto signed my name as Principal chief of the Muskogee Nation this 7th day of December, 1901, and have caused the Great Seal of the Muskogee Nation to be affixed.

P.Porter,
Principal Chief of the
Muskogee (Creek) Nation.

Attest:

W.S.Fears
Acting Private Secretary.

WHITE HOUSE.
Approved, January 16, 1902.
T.Roosevelt.

--Pleasant Porters general letters.--ACTS.--

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Indian Inspector

For

D 3417-1902

Indian Territory,

Muskogee, Ind.T., Jan.28,1902.

Honorable P.Porter,
Principal Chief, Creek Nation,
Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:-

There is respectfully returned herewith the act of the
National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on
December 3,1901, and entitled -

AN ACT making an appropriation in favor of J.M.Rentie.

This act was approved by the President on January 20,1902,
as shown by his endorsement thereon.

Very respectfully,

J.Geo.Wright,

U.S.Indian Inspector
for Indian Territory.

A N A C T

MAKING APPROPRIATION IN FAVOR OF J.M.RENTIE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated, out of the General fund of the Muskogee Nation, in favor of J.M.Rentie, the sum of one hundred dollars, being for services rendered as teacher, Tallahassee Mission, second quarter, 1895-1896.

Said sum to be disbursed under direction and in accordance with such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior.

Adopted December 3, 1901.

Lee McNevins
Clerk

T.W.Perryman
President House of Kings.

Concurred in December 3, 1901.

A.P.McKellop
Clerk

Amos McIntosh
Speaker House of Warriors.

Approved December 3, 1901.

P.Porter
Principal Chief.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,

Muskogee Nation.

Okmulgee, Indian Territory,

December 7, 1901.

I.P.Porter, Principal chief of the Muskogee Nation, do hereby certify that the foregoing is an act of the National Council of said Nation, passed at its regular session of October, 1901, and approved by me in my official character on December 3, 1901, and I do hereby submit the same for the approval of the President of the United States, under the provisions of an act of Congress of March 1, 1901, and of the Creek National Council of May 25, 1901, entitled "An Act to ratify and confirm an agreement with the Muskogee or Creek tribe of Indians, and for other purposes."

Inasmuch as the Muskogee Nation has no Officer known as the "National Secretary," I have signed my name to this certificate, and caused the same to be attested by the Private Secretary.

In witness whereof I have hereunto signed my name as Principal Chief of the Muskogee Nation this 7th day of December, 1901 and have caused the Great Seal of the Muskogee Nation to be affixed.

P.Porter
Principal Chief of the
Muskogee (Creek) Nation.

Attest:

W.S.Fears
Acting Private Secretary.

WHITE HOUSE.

Approved, January 20, 1902.

T.Roosevelt.

--Pleasant Porters general letters.--ACTS.--

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Indian Inspector,

For

D 3416-1902

Indian Territory,

Muskogee, Ind. T., Jan. 28, 1902.

Hon. P. Porter,

Principal Chief, Creek Nation,

Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:-

I have to respectfully advise you that the act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on November 30, 1901, and entitled -

AN ACT making an appropriation in favor of G. C. Kindley.
- was submitted by the Department to the President for executive action on the 17th instant, and was duly approved January 20, 1902.

The said act bearing the approval of the President is respectfully enclosed.

Very respectfully,

J. Geo. Wright,

U. S. Indian Inspector
for Indian Territory.

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A N A C T

Making appropriation in favor of G.C.Kindly.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated, out of the School fund of the Muskogee Nation, the sum of twenty-eight dollars and sixty-seven cents (\$28.67) in favor of G.C.Kindley, being for services rendered as teacher, Wealaka Boarding School, 1898-1899.

Said sum to be disbursed under such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior.

Adopted November 29, 1901.

Lee McNevins
Clerk

T.W.Perryman
President, House of Kings.

Concurred in November 29, 1901.

A.P.McKellop
Clerk

Amos McIntosh
Speaker, House of Warriors.

Approved November 30, 1901.

P.Porter,
Principal Chief.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE.

Muskogee Nation.

Okmulgee, Indian Territory,

December 7, 1901.

I.P.Porter, Principal Chief of the Muskogee Nation, do hereby certify that the foregoing is an act of the National Council, of said Nation, passed at its regular session of October, 1901, and approved by me in my official character on November 30, 1901, and I do hereby submit the same for the approval of the President of the United States under the provisions of an Act of Congress of March 1, 1901 and of the Creek National Council of May 25, 1901, entitled "An Act to ratify and confirm an agreement with the Muskogee or Creek tribe of Indians, and for other purposes."

Inasmuch as the Muskogee Nation has no Officer known as the "National Secretary," I have signed my name to this certificate, and caused the same to be attested by the Private Secretary.

In witness whereof I have hereunto signed my name as Principal Chief of the Muskogee Nation this 7th day of December, 1901, and have caused the Great Seal of the Muskogee Nation to be affixed.

P.I.Porter
Principal Chief of the
Muskogee (Creek) Nation.

Attest:

W.S.Fears
Acting Private Secretary.

WHITE HOUSE.
Approved, January 20, 1902.

T.Roosevelt.

--Pleasant Porters general letters.--ACTS.--

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Indian Inspector

For

Indian Territory,

D 3393-1902

Muskogee, Ind. T.,

Jan. 25, 1902.

Honorable P. Porter,

Principal Chief, Creek Nation,

Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:-

I have to respectfully advise you that the act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on November 27, 1901, and entitled "An act to provide for the support of the neighborhood schools for the scholastic year ending November 14, 1902," was submitted by the Department to the President for executive action on January 13, 1902, and was duly approved January 16, 1902.

The said act bearing the approval of the President is respectfully enclosed herewith.

Very respectfully,

J. Geo. Wright,

U.S. Indian Inspector
for Indian Territory.

A N A C T

To provide for the support of the Neighborhood

Schools for the Scholastic year ending November 14, 1902.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be, and is hereby, appropriated, out of the School Fund of the Muskogee Nation, the sum of Thirteen Thousand Dollars, (\$13,000.00), to be used in defraying the expenses incurred in the support of the Neighborhood Schools of the Creek Nation for the Scholastic year ending November 14, 1902.

Said sum to be disbursed under the direction of the Secretary of the Interior.

Adopted November 25, 1901.

Lee McNevins
Clerk

T.W. Perryman
President House of Kings.

Concurred in November 25, 1901.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk

Amos McIntosh
Speaker House of Warriors.

Approved November 27, 1901.

P. Porter

Principal Chief,
Muskogee Nation.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE.

Muskogee Nation

Okmulgee, Indian Territory,

December 7, 1901.

I.P.Porter, Principal Chief of the Muskogee Nation, do hereby certify that the foregoing is an act of the National Council, of said Nation, passed at its regular session of October, 1901, and approved by me in my official character on November 27, 1901, and I do hereby submit the same for the approval of the President of the United States under the provisions of an Act of Congress of March 1, 1901 and of the Creek National Council of May 25, 1901, entitled "An Act to ratify and confirm an agreement with the Muskogee or Creek tribe of Indians, and for other purposes."

Inasmuch as the Muskogee Nation has no Officer known as the "National Secretary," I have signed my name to this certificate, and caused the same to be attested by the Private Secretary.

In witness whereof I have hereunto signed my name as Principal Chief of the Muskogee Nation this 7th day of December, 1901, and have caused the Great Seal of the Muskogee Nation to be affixed.

P.Porter

Principal Chief of the (
Muskogee (Creek) Nation.

Attest:

W.S.Fears
Acting Private Secretary.

WHITE HOUSE.

T.Roosevelt.----- Approved, January 16, 1902.

--Pleasant Porters general letters.--ACTS.--

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
For

D 2981 - '01

Indian Territory,

Muskogee, Ind.T., Nov.12,1901.

Hon. P. Porter,

Prin.Chief, Creek Nation.

Sir:

I have to respectfully advise you that the act of the National Council of your Nation, approved by yourself on October 12,1901, and entitled, -

"An Act providing for the employment and compensation of an architect whose duty it shall be to inspect the ten boarding schools of the Creek Nation with a view to ascertaining what repairs, if any, are needed, and to furnish specifications where repairs are needed,"

was submitted by the Department to the President of the United States for executive action on October 31,1901, and was duly approved on November 1,1901; and the said act, bearing the date of the approval of the President, is inclosed herewith.

In the matter of the necessity for this act receiving executive action, it was considered by the Department that it was not appropriation for any of the salaried expenses of the Creek Government nor a necessary incidental governmental expense;

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and, therefore, in order to insure its validity, it should receive the approval of the President.

Very respectfully,

J. Geo. Wright,

U.S. Indian Inspector

for Indian Territory.

A N A C T

Providing for the employment and compensation of an architect, whose duty it shall be to inspect the ten boarding schools of the Creek Nation with a view to ascertaining what repairs, if any, are needed, and to furnish specifications where repairs are needed.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated, out of the school fund of the Muskogee Nation, the sum of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00) to be used in the employment of an architect whose duty it shall be to inspect the ten National Boarding Schools of the Muskogee Nation with a view to ascertaining what repairs, if any, are needed at such boarding schools, and to furnish specifications where repairs are necessary.

Said sum to be paid by the Principal Chief upon joint vouchers of the Superintendent of Public Instruction of the Creek Nation and the Supervisor of Schools for the Creek Nation, and under the direction of the Secretary of the Interior.

Adopted October 11, 1901.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk

Amos McIntosh
Speaker, House of Warriors

Concurred in October 12, 1901.

Lee McNevins
Clerk

T.W. Perryman
President, House of Kings.

Approved October 12th, 1901.

P. Porter---Principal Chief.

WHITE HOUSE, November 1, 1901.
APPROVED: T. Roosevelt.

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EXECUTIVE OFFICE

Muskogee Nation.

Okmulgee, I.T., October 12, 1901.

I.P.Porter, Principal Chief of the Muskogee Nation, do hereby certify that the foregoing is an act of the National Council of said Nation passed at its regular session of October, 1901, and approved by me in my official character on October 12, 1901, and I hereby submit the same for the approval of the President of the United States under the provisions of an act of Congress of March 1, 1901, and of the Creek National Council of May 25, 1901, entitled an "Act to ratify and confirm an agreement with the Muskogee or Creek tribe of Indians, and for other purposes."

Inasmuch as the Muskogee Nation has no officer known as the National Secretary, I have signed my name to this certificate and caused the same to be attested by the Private Secretary.

In witness whereof I have hereunto signed my name as Principal Chief of the Muskogee Nation this 12th day of October, 1901, and have caused the great seal of the Muskogee Nation to be affixed.

P.Porter,

Principal Chief of the
Muskogee Nation.

Attest:

W.S.Fears

Acting Private Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Indian Inspector

For

D 2983-'01

Indian Territory,

Muskogee, Ind.T., Nov.12,1901

Hon.P.Porter,

Principal Chief Creek Nation.

Sir:

I have to respectfully advise you that the act of the National Council of your Nation, approved by yourself on October 7,1901, and entitled:

"An Act appropriating \$8 in favor of Sam Foster,
services as guard during the October Council 1900."

was submitted by the Department to the President of the United States for executive action on October 31,1901, and was duly approved on November 1,1901; and the said act bearing the date of the approval is inclosed herewith.

Very respectfully,

J.Geo.Wright,

U.S.Indian Inspector
for Indian Territory.

A N A C T

Appropriating \$8.00 in favor of Sam Foster, services as guard during October Council, 1900.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated, out of the general fund of the Muskogee Nation, the sum of Eight Dollars, being for services rendered as guard around Council House during October, 1900, session of the National Council; the name of said Sam Foster having been omitted from the list for whom appropriations were made at that session of Council.

Adopted Oct. 15, 1901.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk

Amos McIntosh
Speaker H. of W.

Concurred in Oct. 16, 1901.

Lee McNevins
Clerk.

T.W. Perryman
Pres. H. of Kings.

Approved October 16, 1901.

P. Porter

Principal Chief.

Warrant issued Nov. 18, 1901.

WHITE HOUSE,

November 1, 1901.

APPROVED:

T. Roosevelt.

EXECUTIVE-OFFICE

Muskogee Nation.

Okmulgee, I.T., October 16, 1901.

I.P.PORTER, Principal Chief of the Muskogee Nation do hereby certify that the foregoing is an act of the National Council of said Nation, passed at its regular session of October 1901, and approved by me in my official character on October 16, 1901, and I hereby submit the same for the approval of the President of the United States under the provisions of an act of Congress of March 1, 1901, and of the Creek National Council of May 25, 1901, entitled "An Act to ratify and confirm an agreement with the Muskogee or Creek tribe of Indians, and for other purposes."

Inasmuch as the Muskogee Nation has no officer known as the National Secretary, I have signed my name to this Certificate, and caused the same to be attested by the Private Secretary.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto signed my name as Principal Chief of the Muskogee Nation this 16th day of October, 1901, and have caused the Great Seal of the Muskogee Nation to be affixed.

P.Porter

Principal Chief of the
Muskogee Nation.

Attest:

W.S.Fears

Acting Private Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Indian Inspector

For
Indian Territory,

Muskogee, Ind.T., Dec.26,1902.

D 5391-1902

Hon.P.Porter,
Principal Chief, Creek Nation,
Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:-

I have to respectfully return herewith an act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on December 6,1901, and entitled -

"An act appropriating One Thousand Dollars to pay expenses of National Attorney while engaged in official business outside of Creek Nation."

This act was approved by the President on December 13,1902, as shown by his endorsement thereon.

Very respectfully,

J.W.Zevely,

Acting U.S.Indian Inspector
for Indian Territory.

A N A C T

Appropriating one thousand dollars to pay expenses
of National Attorney while engaged in
Official business outside
of Creek Nation.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated, out of the General Fund of the Muskogee Nation, the sum of one thousand dollars, to be used by the National Attorney in defraying his actual and necessary expenses while engaged in official business outside of the Creek Nation, under direction of the Principal Chief.

Said sum to be paid by the Principal Chief upon vouchers furnished by said attorney, duly verified.

Adopted December 6, 1901.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk

Amos McIntosh
Speaker, House of Warriors.

Concurred in December 6, 1901.

Lee McNevins
Clerk

T.W. Perryman
President, House of Kings.

Approved December 6, 1901.

PLeasant Porter.

Principal Chief.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE.

Muskogee Nation.

Okmulgee, Indian Territory,

December 7, 1901.

I.P.Porter, Principal Chief of the Muskogee Nation, do hereby certify that the foregoing is an act of the National Council, of said Nation, passed at its regular session of October, 1901, and approved by me in my official character on December 6, 1901, and I do hereby submit the same for the approval of the President of the United States under the provisions of an Act of Congress of March 1, 1901, and of the Creek National Council of May 25, 1901, entitled "An Act to ratify and confirm an agreement with the Muskogee or Creek Tribe of Indians, and for other purposes."

Inasmuch as the Muskogee Nation has no Officer known as the "National Secretary," I have signed my name to this certificate and caused the same to be attested by the Private Secretary.

In witness whereof I have hereunto signed my name as Principal chief of the Muskogee Nation this 7th day of December, 1901, and have caused the Great seal of the Muskogee Nation to be affixed.

P.Porter
Principal Chief of the
Muskogee (Creek) Nation.

Attest:

W.S.Fears
Acting Private Secretary.

WHITE HOUSE.
Washington, December 13, 1902.
Approved:---T.Roosevelt.

---Pleasant Porters general letters.---ACTS.---

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Indian Inspector
For
Indian Territory,

D 5390-1902.

Muskogee, Ind.T.

Dec.26,1902.

Hon. P. Porter,

Principal Chief, Creek Nation,

Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:-

I have to respectfully return herewith an act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on December 6,1901, and entitled -

"An act making appropriation of pay of National Attorney".

This act was approved by the President on December 13,1902, as shown by his endorsement thereon.

Very respectfully.

J.W.Zevely,

Acting U.S.Indian Inspector
for Indian Territory.

A N A C T

Making appropriation of pay of National Attorney.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be, and is hereby, appropriated, out of the General Funds of the Muskogee Nation, the sum of Five Thousand Dollars, to be used in paying the salary of National Attorney for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1901, or one year from the date of the approval of this act by the President of the United States.

Said sum to be paid under such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior, and in accordance with the provisions of the act of the National Council creating the office of a National Attorney.

Adopted December 6, 1901.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk

Amos McIntosh
Speaker, House of Warriors.

Concurred in December 6, 1901.

Lee McNevins
clerk

T.W. Perryman
President, House of Kings.

Approved December 6, 1901.

P. Porter
Principal Chief.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE.

Muskogee Nation.

Okmulgee, Indian Territory,

December 7, 1901.

I.P.Porter, Principal Chief of the Muskogee Nation, do hereby certify that the foregoing is an act of the National Council of said Nation, passed at its regular session of October, 1901, and approved by me in my official character on December 6, 1901, and I do hereby submit the same for the approval of the President of the United States under the provisions of an Act of Congress, of March 1, 1901, and of the Creek National Council of May 25, 1901, entitled "An Act to ratify and confirm an agreement with the Muskogee or Creek tribe of Indians, and for other purposes."

Inasmuch as the Muskogee Nation has no Officer known as the "National Secretary," I have signed my name to this certificate, and caused the same to be attested by the Private Secretary.

In witness whereof I have hereunto signed my name as Principal Chief of the Muskogee Nation this 7th day of December, 1901, and have caused the Great Seal of the Muskogee Nation to be affixed.

P.Porter

Principal Chief of the
Muskogee (Creek) Nation.

Attest:

W.S.Fears,

Acting Private Secretary.

WHITE HOUSE--Washington, Dec. 13, '02.
Approved:---T.Roosevelt.

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Muskogee, I.T. August 7, 1903

Hon. J. George Wright,

U.S. Indian Inspector, Muskogee, I.T.

Sir:-

This office is in receipt of a certificate from the United States Indian Agent that full payment has been made by Core M. Millikan on the N. 53.5 feet of Lot 3, Block 77, Sapulpa, I.T. Upon examining our records before making deed, we find that under date of January 10, 1903, through error of this office, deed was issued in favor of James G. Johnson for this part of said lot, and which deed seems to have gone through all the offices subsequent to issue without discovering the error, and was approved by the Secretary of the Interior under date of April 18, 1903. The figures on the town-site schedule were somewhat confusing.

As the deed has not yet been delivered to grantee, James G. Johnson, I recommend that you request the Honorable Secretary to cancel same and instruct the Dawes Commission to correct same on their records and upon return of the cancelled deed to this office, I will issue corrected deed in favor of James G. Johnson in lieu of the cancelled deed, and also issue deed in favor of Cora M. Mullikan.

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,

Muskogee Nation.

P. PORTER, Principal Chief.

Muskogee, Indian Territory,

Oct. 5, 1904.

Mr. John Adams,

Muskogee, I.T.

Dear Sir:-

The bearer, J.C. Johnson, has been appointed by the Court administrator of the Estate of Monday Ard, deceased. You will please deliver to him Creek deed for Monday Ard on his presenting certificate as issued by the Dawes Commission.

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Principal Chief, M.N.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,

Muskogee Nation

P.PORTER, Principal Chief.

Okmulgee, Indian Territory,

Oct.5,1904.

Hon.J.Blair Shoenfelt,

United States Indian Agent,

Muskogee,Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:-

Cilla Brown, wife of Madison Brown listed her land for advertisement for sale and has been informed that the bid was accepted.

Madison Brown visited Muskogee some time ago and while there tried to secure the check but was informed that for some reason it had not yet arrived. He is now sick at home and wishes you to inform him through his father, Hon. Samuel Brown, Town King of Euchee Town, if the check has arrived.

Please give this matter your early attention and address your reply to Hon. Sam. Brown, Sapulpa, I.T.

Respectfully,

P.Porter,

Principal Chief,M.N.

The Honorable

House of Kings and Warriors.

Gentlemen:

A representative of the Dawes Commission is here for the purpose of securing additional evidence in cases wherein applications have been made for enrollment.

I am informed by said representative that the evidence in these cases, now before the Commission, is not sufficient.

These applications embrace members of every town in the Creek Nation. The Commission earnestly requests that each King and Warrior call at the Supreme Court Room and furnish such information as they may have in order that these cases may be cleared up.

I urge upon each member the importance of giving this matter their attention.

P.Porter

Principal Chief.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,

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Muskogee Nation

P.PORTER, Principal Chief.

Indian Territory, Oct. 5, 1904.

To the Honorable Members of the House of Kings and Warriors,
Gentlemen:

I am informed by resolution of your Houses that you have assembled in both branches of the Council with a quorum present, and are ready to receive such communications and messages as I may have to lay before you.

I herewith present to you my first annual message in my present term of service. Accompanying you will find a report of the Superintendent of Schools, and I will transmit to you other reports as they come to me.

Very respectfully,

P.Porter,

Principal Chief, M.N.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.-Executive office letter.--
Pleasant Porters general letters.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,

Muskogee Nation.

P. PORTER, Principal Chief.

-- Indian Territory,

Oct. 6, 1904.

Hon. J. Blair Shoenfelt,

United States Indian Agent,

Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:-

There has been listed for advertisement and sale by Louisa Tiger the following described allotment:

120 acres situated in the S.W. 1/4 of Section 36, Township 10 North and Range 9 East.

Simpson Tiger at the time of selection selected the above described allotment for his wife, Louisa Tiger. The selection was made by him on the statement of Billy Scott that the land was good and well watered, and that there were no improvements thereon.

After this Sarty Dacon who lives upon the allotment and who has considerable improvements thereon, consisting of two houses, crib, lots and an orchard, together with about forty acres of improved farm land well fenced made application to the Dawes Commission to file on the S.W. 1/4 of Section 36, Township 10 North and Range 9 East for Nannie Dacon his deceased daughter.

It appears that the Dawes Commission finding that Louisa Tiger a living Creek had made application upon the same piece of ground in error of description as aforesaid and made out an allotment for her on this place and assigned an allotment to Nannie Dacon near-by in Section 30, Township 10 North and Range 10 East, and

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it appears that since then Louisa Tiger has received deed for the said allotment and has advertised and listed it for sale.

The further facts in the case are as follows:

The improvements were made by Cusseta Yarholah, and embraces the burying place of Motey Tiger's parents and kindred, together with those of Cusseta Yarholah. Sarty Dacon's wife, Annie Dacon was a daughter of Cusseta Yarholah, who gave the place to his daughter and improved another place.

Therefore the improvements have been in the family for a period ranging back before the Civil War. Louisa Tiger is willing to yield the place back to Sarty Dacon for his deceased daughter. Simpson Tiger who was sent to the Penitentiary for some offense has just returned, and I understand will make statement that the selection was made as above stated. Sarty Dacon appeared before the Dawes Commission some months ago and stated the facts in the case and the Dawes Commission assured him they would send out a party to visit the spot and verify the facts in the case.

This has been done but Sarty Dacon has not been advised of anything further in the matter. Billy Scott upon whose erroneous description the allotment was made has since died. Motey Tiger, second Chief is conversant with all the facts in the case, as is William Hill and Pare Bruner and numerous others.

The object of this communication is to secure a suspension of the advertisement and sale of the allotment so that the error can be corrected and Sarty Dacon be confirmed in his home and the land allotted to his deceased daughter. Please with-hold the advertisement and sale until the facts can be fairly established

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and justice meted out to the parties concerned.

Respectfully,

P.Porter,

Principal Chief, M.N.

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EXECUTIVE OFFICE, May 24, 1901.

The Members of the

House of Kings & Warriors,

Gentlemen:

Herewith inclosed you will find a letter from McKellop & Reed, attorneys for the Creek Nation, calling attention to the fact that the per diem allowed witnesses on the part of the Nation is insufficient, and also that they have no authority to use the funds with which to conduct their business.

They recommend the passage of an act, a draft of which is herewith submitted, authorizing them to use a certain portion of the funds heretofore appropriated, for office rent and for the purchase of stationery, etc.

I would recommend that you give it consideration at the present session of council, as it is a matter of considerable importance.

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Principal Chief.

Read & Referred to H. of W.

5/24/1901

T.W. Perryman

Pres. H. of Kings.

L. McN.--Clk.

--(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--Pleasant Porters general letters.--

EXECUTIVE OFFICE.

Muskogee Nation

P.Porter,Principal Chief.

Okmulgee, Ind.Ter.,

Nov.21,1903.

The Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes:

Gentlemen:

I am informed that the land upon which the town of Boynton, Creek Nation, is located, was allotted to Benjiman Grayson, now deceased, and that a petition has been presented to your Commission praying that said allotment be withdrawn, or cancelled, and that it be set apart as a Government townsite.

I am further informed that the hearing of said petition by your Commission is set for the 23rd inst. I desire that the Creek Nation be represented at said hearing; but as the National Attorney, the Hon. A. P. Murphey, has been summoned home in Missouri on account of the serious illness of his mother, I would request that the case be continued for a period of ten or fifteen days; but if the Commission think it inadvisable to do so, I would request that the case remain open until the Creek Nation can be heard.

Very respectfully yours,

P.Porter,

Prin. Chief.

(Endorsed)Union Agency, Muskogee,Oklahoma.
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EXECUTIVE OFFICE,

Muskogee Nation

P.Porter, Principal Chief.

Muskogee, I.T., Dec. 10, 1902.

Hon. J. George Wright,

U.S. Indian Inspector,

Muskogee, Ind. Ter.

Dear Sir:

I enclose herewith, for transmission to the Department for the approval of the President, Act of the National Council, approved by me in my official character on December 3, 1902, appropriating \$300 to cover contingent expenses of the office of Superintendent of Public Instruction. The matter of this appropriation was carefully considered by the Educational committee of the National Council, which committee reported the salary of said office insufficient to secure proper service to the National schools without an appropriation to cover contingent expenses.

Respectfully,

P.Porter,

Principal Chief, Muskogee Nation.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE.

Muskogee Nation

P.Porter, Principal Chief.

Muskogee, I.T.,

Dec.10,1902.

Hon.J.George Wright,

U.S.Indian Inspector,

Muskogee,Ind.Ter.

Dear Sir:

I enclose herewith, for transmission to the Department for the approval of the President, Act of the National Council, approved by me on December 3,1902, appropriating \$1300 with which to clothe the inmates of the Creek and Colored Orphan Homes of the Nation. The matter of this appropriation was investigated by the proper committee of the Council, when it was found that no previous action has been taken and that said schools are in need of money with which to procure clothing for inmates.

Respectfully,

P.Porter

Prin.Chief Muskogee Nation.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE.

Muskogee Nation.

P.Porter,Principal Chief.

Muskogee, I.T., Dec.9,1902.

Hon.J.George Wright,

U.S.Indian Inspector,

Muskogee,Ind.Ter.

Dear Sir:

I enclose herewith, Act of the National Council appropriating the sum of \$1200 with which to repair, procure furniture, etc., for the National Capitol building. Under the provisions of a previous Act of the Council, the building will be leased to the United States Government and such an expenditure is necessary to prepare the building for Court purposes.

Respectfully,

P.Porter,

Prin.Chief Muskogee Nation.

Executive Office, May 24, 1901.

The Members of the

House of Kings & Warriors.

Gentlemen:

I herewith transmit to you a draft of an act providing for the expenses incurred in the collection of the Taxes of the Muskogee Nation.

This act is not designed to affect in the change of the present method of collecting tribal taxes, but to guard against a possible failure of the enforcement of our tax laws on the ground that no provision has been made for the expenses connected with the collection of such taxes. The treaty, section 33, provides that "No funds belonging to said tribe shall hereafter be used or paid out for any purpose by any officer of the United States without consent of the tribe, expressly given, through its national council, except as herein provided for."

The permit law of the Muskogee Nation, approved November 5th, 1901, provides for the present method of collecting the taxes, but makes no provision for the payment of the expenses connected with the collection of such taxes.

In this connection I would respectfully state that for the fiscal year ending June 30th, 1899, the amount derived by the Nation was between three and four thousand dollars. This was the last year prior to the inauguration of the present system. The amount derived for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1900, was between twenty-six and twenty-seven thousand dollars, and the total

--Pleasant Porters general letters.--Draft of an act providing for expenses incurred in the collection of the taxes of the Musk.Na.--

expense connected with the expense thereof was between four and five thousand dollars, and the amount derived for the present year, ending June 30, 1901, will exceed that of the year previous and the expense will be less than for the preceding year..

I am of the opinion that the present system has been advantageous to the Nation, and should not be permitted to fail on account of no provision having been made for the expense connected therewith.

It is of the utmost importance that this act should be passed at this session of the council.

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Principal Chief.

Read & referred to H. of W.

5/24/1901

T. W. Perryman

Pres. H. of Kings.

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Muskogee, Indian T.,

May 2, 1902.

Hon. Isparhecher,

c/o Mr. A. W. Robb.

Dear Friend:

I have looked through our packages of cancelled warrants and do not find the one for \$295.00 which was issued by you to yourself and sold to Mr. Robb for certain National expenses during your administration.

At the first council after I was elected the warrant was handed to me by Mr. Robb, and I asked for an appropriation for its payment, which you will remember, and transmitted the warrant to the Council, but no appropriation was made, and in some way the warrant was misplaced. However, the warrant was cancelled, and will never come up against you or the Nation. I understand that you agreed to pay Mr. Robb in the event the Council did not appropriate it. When you have paid Mr. Robb, if you desire it? I will again at the next Council ask that an appropriation be made to reimburse you, for I have no doubt that you expended the money for National purposes.

Yours truly,

P.Porter,

Principal Chief.

Muskogee, Indian T., May 2, 1902.

Honorable,

The Attorney General,
Washington, D. C.

S i r :

In the event that Section Eight of the Indian Appropriation Bill, which provides for the division of the Northern District of the Indian Territory, is adopted by Congress, and as contemplated in said section, the appointment of a United States Attorney for that part of said district to be known as the Western District of the Indian Territory becomes necessary, I would respectfully recommend for appointment Mr. James H. Huckleberry who, as the present Assistant United States Attorney, has rendered services highly creditable to the public service.

Mr. Huckleberry is a young man of splendid legal ability, who by his gentlemanly and business-like conduct of the public business, has won both the respect and admiration of the entire Northern District. By his fair and impartial treatment of my people he has gained their confidence and respect, and his appointment would be more than pleasing to the Creek people.

Very respectfully,

P. Porter,

Principal Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency Press Book, General Letters by Principal Chief. Letter 8. Muskogee, Okla.

Muskogee, I. T., May 3, 1902.

Mr. Geo. D. Harvison,
Morse, I. T.

Dear Sir:

I have received yours of the 30th ult., and only write to acknowledge its receipt, and to inform you that I have no stallion now. Mr. Robb has bought Ball Blayer, and is sending him out to your place. He will probably be there by day after tomorrow.

Yours truly,

P. Porter,

Principal Chief.

Muskogee, Indian T., May 3, 1902.

Hon. J. H. McGowan,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I have yours of the 24th ultimo. Thanks for your attention and the information contained in your letter.

I see in the news papers that something is being done in regard to the Supplemental Agreement. If it is not asking too much, I would be glad if you would inquire into the matter, and advise me of the possibility of its passage, and in what form.

I trust you may succeed in securing action on the Lost Property claim.

Yours very truly,

P. Porter,

Principal Chief.

Muskogee, I. T., May 3, 1902.

Mr. Freeland McIntosh,
Chacotah, Indian T.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of yours of the 28th ultimo, and am glad to know that my explanation in reference to the townsite matter is satisfactory to you.

In regard to the matter of trespass upon your allotment by one W. T. Gamble, I will today call the matter to the attention of the Indian Agent, whose duty it is to right troubles of this kind. I will urge upon him to take such steps as will compel said Gamble to confine his stock to only such lands as he has rented. Another course you might pursue is to sue him for trespass and for damages done to your allotment.

Yours truly,

P. Porter,

Principal Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency Press Book, General Letters by Principal Chief, Letter 13. Muskogee, Okla.

Muskogee, Indian T., May 3, 1902.

Hon. J. Blair Shoenfelt,
United States Indian Agent,
Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:

I inclose herewith a letter from Mr. Freeland McIntosh, citizen of the Creek Nation, and would respectfully call your attention to that part of his letter in reference to trespass by one W. T. Gamble upon his allotment.

I would earnestly request that you issue such instructions to Mr. Gamble in regard to his stock as will stop him from permitting any further trespass, or have him remove his stock to some inclosure in order to keep them from trespassing upon anybody's allotment.

Yours truly,

P. Porter,

Principal Chief.

MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION

AN ACT

TO PROVIDE FOR PAY OF CHAPLAIN DURING THE EXTRA SESSION OF COUNCIL
OF DEC, 1899.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL, OF THE MUSCOGEE NATION:
THAT THE SUM OF Thirty Three (\$33.00) Dollars be and is hereby
appropriated out of the General funds of the Muscogee Nation, in
favor of Wm. Jimboy for services rendered as Chaplain of House of
Warriors, during the extra session of Dec, Council 1899, 11 days at
\$3.00 per day.

D904
Adopted Dec, 15th, 1899

A.P. McKellop
Clerk of H. of W.

Amos McIntosh
Speaker of H. of Warriors

Concurred in Dec. 15th, 1899

Lee McNevins
Clerk of H. of Kings.

T.M. Perryman
Pres. of H. of Kings.

Approved Dec, 16th, 1899.

P. Porter,
Principal Chief, M.N.

Approved by Wm. McKinley January 13, 1900.

---Pleasant Porter general letters. No. 17.---

Muskogee, I. T., May 3, 1902.

Mr. J. Burdett,

Eufaula, Indian T.

Dear Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 28th ultimo, and in reply to your inquiry in reference to townsite Commission, I am informed that at the present time the Appraisers are at Tulsa, where they have been at work for some two weeks. It was estimated that it would take three weeks to finish the work at Tulsa when they were sent there, and that from there they would be sent to Checotah and Eufaula, so you may feel assured that they will reach Eufaula within the next two weeks.

I have no information in reference to the railroad going through Eufaula.

Yours truly,

P. Porter,

Principal Chief.

Muskogee, I.T., March 3, 1903

Mr. J. R. Dunzy,
Wetumka, I.T.

Dear Sir:-

I herewith return to you certificates of Harnogee, Harney King, Sam Yargee, Ahalek Hanaye, Selina Davis and Louisa Tiger with the information that deed for Sam Yargee is now in the office and if he wishes it forwarded, return certificate with information where to send it. The others will not be ready for about six months.

You are also advised that deeds must be delivered to the parties in person: Where they are not able to call for them in person, they may have them forwarded to them by express or registered mail by forwarding to this office the registering fee of ten cents.

You are mistaken in the law requiring deeds to be delivered free of cost. The law provides for their being recorded instead of being delivered and it is necessary to have their receipts for deeds and we do not recognize any orders or powers of attorney. We have no fund for prepaying charges, which would amount to a large sum if required to be paid by this office, and only a small sum for each individual to pay.

The deeds for the certificates sent for yourself and family have not yet been received at this office but will be forwarded as soon as received.

Respectfully,

Moty Tiger

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Muskogee, Indian T., May 2, 1902.

Hon. Thomas W. Perryman and

D. M. Hodge,

Creek Delegates to Washington,

Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

I inclose you a clipping from this morning's Kansas City Star, which is somewhat of a surprise to me, and after receiving your letter that the maximum appraisement of \$6.50 had been agreed to by the Committee, and making contracts to run for a period of three years, subject to the approval of the United States Indian Agent and Principal Chief. If what you say is true, it would be generally satisfactory, but if the report of the Star is correct, and the plan of distribution is to be upon the acreage method without the ratification of the Creek Council, it would disarrange all the work of the Dawes Commission, and be so manifestly unjust that we would be unable to proceed with the distribution at all.

Take immediate steps to find out what the Committee has done, and if nothing can be done without doing such a manifest injustice and changing the whole system of allotment it would be better to ask Congress to disapprove the whole supplemental agreement. Even if that was done, I notice in the Indian Appropriation Act that provision is made for the enrollment of children born up to May 26, 1901, and also provides a law of descent and distribution, which are the two things of greatest importance, inasmuch as there

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are hundreds of our people still uncounted, and also several hundred that have died, and some definite law under which, the estates of such deceased persons can be distributed to the heirs is one of the things most needed.

The Creek people have made every effort to comply with the policy of the Government and have acceded to every reasonable demand, and we deserve fair or treatment at their hands.

Write all of the particulars, and if there is an agreement of the commission to anything that our people could not accept, and which would be unjust, telegraph me, as I believe that under such circumstances no further agreement should be made with the Government, but the lands be distributed under the Agreement of May 25, 1901.

Yours truly,

P. Porter,

Principal Chief.

Muskogee, Indian T., May 8, 1902.

Hon. W. A. Jones,
Commissioner of Indian Affairs,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of December 28, 1901, "Land, 72324-1901, C. F. L.", and my reply thereto under date of January 9, 1902, in reference to the approval of maps of definite location of the Ft. Smith & Western Railway Company through the Creek Nation, and the payment to the Secretary of the Interior for the benefit of the Creek Nation of the sum of \$50.00 per mile in addition to the compensation provided for by the act of March 3, 1899, which also provided that in case the fifty dollars per mile was not satisfactory compensation to the Nation, that the Nation, through its National Council, could reject said amount. In my letter of January 9th, I advised you that there would be no council within four months from December 12, 1901, the date of the approval of said maps, and that nothing remained to be done but await the expiration of four months and then require the payment of the Railroad Company.

The four months having elapsed on April 12, 1902, I would now request that you advise me if the payment has been made to the Secretary of the Interior for the benefit of the Creek Nation,

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as provided by law, and if not, to see that demand is made upon it before further work has been done by said road.

Yours truly,

P. Porter,

Principal Chief.

Exhibit A.

Muskogee, Indian T.,

May 10, 1902.

I, P. Porter, Principal Chief of the Creek Nation, in Indian Territory, do hereby acknowledge service upon me of the definite location of the line of the railroad of the Missouri, Kansas & Oklahoma Railroad Company, from a point of connection with the M. K. & T. Railway at Wybark, Creek Nation, Indian Territory, northwesterly a distance of twenty miles to a point in the southeast quarter of Section 19, township 17, Range 16 East, Creek Nation, by service upon me of a blue print copy thereof, this 10th day of May, 1902.

P. Porter,

Principal Chief of the
Creek Nation.

Muskogee, Indian T., May 10, 1902.

TO ALL WHO ARE INTERESTED IN THE PRESERVATION OF THE LAW:

KNOW that the bearer of this, William Penn, is an honest man in good standing with his neighbors, and is the owner of one gray horse, branded on the left shoulder, and one bay horse (geldings) with white spot in his face, branded T; that said horses were stolen from him on or about the 28th day of April, 1902, from his home near Wetumka.

I therefore earnestly request that all assistance possible be given him in the recovery of his horses and the capture of the criminals.

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Principal Chief.

Muskogee, I.T., April 8, 1903

Hon. J.W.Zevely,

U.S.Indian Inspector, Muskogee,I.T.

Sir:-

I herewith enclose certificate of Indian Agent of full payment of Part of Lot 7, Block 29, Wagoner, I.T., which is scheduled on the original schedule of Wagoner to the Catholic Church, and on the Supplemental Schedule to the Right Rev. Theophile Meer-schaert, D. D. It is evident that, from the title given on the Supplemental schedule, the Right Rev., is trustee for the Catholic church, or whatever the title may be to their organization.

It will be necessary to have certificate to that effect.

Respectfully,

P.Porter,

Prin.Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief. Letter 52. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Muskogee, I.T. April 17, 1903

Hon. J. George Wright,

U.S. Inspector, Muskogee, I.T.

Sir:

I enclose herewith for transmission to the Department, deeds to Lots in the town of SAPULPA, Indian Territory, which I have issued upon receipt of certificates of United States Agent, that full payment had been made as follows:

Deeds

No.	Block	Lot	Owner	Cons'd	Date
121	54	Pt 2	ELLA WESTPHAL	\$2.50	April 8/03
122	54	Pt 3	George J. Westphal	6.00	"
123	61	Pt 6	Elmer Feeper	9.50	"
124	78	Pt 3	Frederick B. Street	5.00	"
125	78	Pt 4	Milton J. McCoy	16.00	"
126	80	Pt 2 & 3	George B. Martin	21.50	"
127	88	Pt 5	Jacob S. Sloan	10.50	"
128	94	4	Alice F. Ellis	9.00	"
129	101	1	William J. Burnett and Bates B. Burnett	17.00	"

Respectfully,

P. Porter,
Principal Chief.

Muskogee, I.T. April 17, 1903

Hon. J. George Wright,

U.S. Inspector, Muskogee, I.T.

Sir:

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I enclose herewith for transmission to the Department, deeds to Lots in the town of CHOCOTAH, Indian Territory, which I have issued upon receipt of certificates of United States Agent, that full payment had been made as follows:

Deeds

No	Block	Lot	Owner	Cons'd	Date
170	31	2	James A; Boyd	\$10.00	April 2/03
171	37	1	William L. Jennings	17.50	"
172	84	1-2-3-4	Silas Waul and William Siegrist	555.00	"
173	84	5-6	Pleasant L. Pilkinton	170.00	"
174	95	1	Rudolph J. Koch	62.50	"
175	133	Pt 6 & 7	Stephen S. Hatcher	54.78	"
"	134	6	" "		"
176	153	11	Jackson Thompson	8.00	"
177	154	Pt 5	Edward J. Koch	7.00	"

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Principal Chief.

Muskogee Indian Territory, April 23rd, 1903

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes,

Muskogee, I.T.

Gentlemen:

Relative to your request to execute new deeds in favor of Georgia Brown, Carrie Whetstone and Edward Whetstone.

The only record of these transactions the law requires is the recording of the deeds by the Dawes' Commission after the approval by the Secretary of the Interior. The deeds in question have not been approved by the Secretary, neither have they been recorded as required and as I view it there is nothing to prohibit my correcting any error that might be found therein at this time. The Secretary has not even accepted them for approval and they stand in the same relation as if they had never left my office. If I was required to acknowledge these deeds before an officer or could I question them in any particular, a new deed might become necessary.

As the original deeds are correct and the same as the new ones you ask me to execute, I for the above reasons, decline so to do, and they are herewith returned.

Very truly,

P. Porter,

Principal Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief. Letter 61. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Muskogee, I.T. May 6, 1903

Hon. J. George Wright,
U.S. Inspector, Muskogee, I.T.

Sir:

I enclose herewith for transmission to the Department, deeds to Lots in the town of WAGONER, Indian Territory, which I have issued upon receipt of certificates of United States Indian Agent, that full payment had been made as follows:

Deed

No.	Block	Lot	Owner	Cons'd	Date
172	291	7	Rt. Rev. Theophile Merschert (D.D.) Bishop of the Roman Catholic Vicariate Apostolic of Oklahoma & Ind. Ter. as Trustee and to his successors	\$190.00	Apr. 29/03

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Principal Chief.

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Muskogee, Indian T.,

May 22, 1902.

Hon. P. L. Soper,

United States Attorney,

Vinita, Indian T.

Dear Sir:

Robert Soldier, a Creek boy from the western part of the Creek Nation was sentenced at the January, 1901, term of the United States Court for a term of five years for larceny.

In view of the fact that the Creek Nation is being dissolved, and there is great danger of the estate in land and money coming to said Rober Soldier being lost to him, and further, that he has now served nearly two years, a very heavy penalty, I would earnestly request that you recommend a commutation of the sentence in order that the boy may come home to his people and take another start in life.

Yours respectfully,

P. Porter,

Principal Chief.

Muskogee, Indian T.,

May 23, 1902.

Mr. D. M. Hodge,

Tulsa, Indian T.

Dear Sir:

I forward you letter of introduction to Mr. A. A. Allen.

I am informed that the line of definite location of the Missouri, Kansas & Oklahoma, Wybark extension, has been made, and will make Tulsa one of the points on the road. Whether the town of Elam is on the line of road I do not know, but it is probable that no change will be made.

I am in receipt of a copy of the supplemental agreement as reported from the sub-committees of the Senate and House, and I find that but little change has been made with the exception of making the term of lease three years instead of one. There may possibly be some other changes, but none of importance. I am informed by Mr. McGowan and Judge Springer that it will pass in substantially the shape as reported by the Committees. I do not think it necessary to have any representative of the Creek Nation return to Washington in the interest of the supplemental agreement.

Yours truly,

P. Porter,

Principal Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency Press Book, General Letters, by Principal Chief. Letter 78. Muskogee, Okla.

Muskogee, Indian T.,

May 23, 1902.

Hon. J. Blair Shoenfelt,

United States Indian Agent,

Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:

I inclose letter of Mr. Z. T. Walrond, with the request that you cause the collection of the taxes due the Creek Nation from the Robert H. Hall Telephone Company, and that the same be placed in the Treasury of the United States to the credit of the Creek Nation.

Yours respectfully,

P. Porter,

Principal Chief.

Muskogee, Indian T.,

June 5, 1902.

R. C. Hawkins, Esq.,

Muskogee, Indian T.

Dear Sir:

Your report of the sale of the Muskogee District Court House, from which it appears that the building was sold at auction to the highest bidder, and was bought by Solomon Rentie at \$153.00, is hereby approved, and also the allowance of ten per cent of said sum as commission for your services as agent of the Muskogee Nation, and I also acknowledge the receipt from you of the sum of \$137.70, being the sale price less your commission of ten per cent.

Yours respectfully,

P. Porter,

Principal Chief.

Muskogee, Indian T.,

June 7, 1902.

Hon. William M. Springer,

Washington, D. C.

Dear Judge Springer:

I wish you would send me a copy of the report made on the Creek-Self-Emigration claim, the number of the document I do not remember. Said Executive document embraces the names of all persons who were enrolled as Creek-Self-Emigrants.

I trust no amendments will be proposed to the Creek Agreement which will prevent action being taken by Congress at this session. The agreement as I left it will be more acceptable to my people, and any material change made in its terms will render its acceptance and ratification by the Creek council doubtful.

Yours truly,

P. Porter.

Muskogee, I.T. August 21, 1903

Hon. J. George Wright,

U.S. Indian Inspector, Muskogee, I.T.

Sir:

I enclose herewith for transmission to the Department, deeds to lots in the town of MUSKOGEE, Indian Territory, which I have issued upon certificates of United States Indian Agent that full payment had been made, as follows:

Deed	Lot	Block	Name	Con'sd	Date
821	1-2-3-4	3	Julia A. Turner	\$262.50	July 27, 1903
822	4	9	Pleasant N. Blackstone	100.00	"
823	6	34	Moses Jefferson Ratley	15.00	"
824	6-7	47	Harry Rogers	63.50	"
825	9	75	Charles R. Owen	10.00	"
826	11	75	Sandels B. Forrester	10.00	"
827	13	75	Frederick B. Severs,	10.00	"
828	15	75	Thomas B. Pryor	10.00	"
829	17	75	Isaac P. Kans	10.00	"
830	3	81	Clarence Chase	15.00	"
831	10	153	James W. Bentley	5.00	"
832	1-2-3-4-5-6-7 8-9-10-11-12	170	John R. Thomas, Jr.	145.00	"
833	1-2-3	182	William M. Springer	150.00	"
834	3	207	James E. Johnson	42.50	"
836	7	214	Effie O'Kell	22.50	"
836	8	214	James M. Dyer	22.50	"
837	9	214	Gilbert Thompson	22.50	"
838	4-9	217	Numa F. Hancock	40.00	"

Deed No.	Lot	Block	Name	Con'sd	Date
839	7	258	George O'Neill	\$25.00	July 27, 1903
840	3	273	Henry Jobe	37.50	"
841	3	288	William A. Porter	43.34	"
842	6	382	Frederick B. Severs	35.33	"
843	6-7	394	William Lawrence	32.50	"
844	8	410	Daisey Shannon	37.50	"
845	9	410	Pauline B. Linton	46.00	"
846	1-2	412	William W. Brinks	75.00	"
847	1-2-3-4-5	421	Louis N.B. Jobs	177.50	"
848	5	437	Ella S. Crawford	42.50	"
849	6-7-8	460	James H. Brown	37.50	"
850	1-2-3-4-5-6-7-8-9-10	473	Olive Hammer	225.00	"
851	3-4	476	James W. Ashworth, Jr	50.00	"
852	5-6	476	James W. Ashworth	75.00	"
852	1	478	"		"
853	1-2	479	Rhoda Ashworth	50.00	"
854	2	28	Allen Rich	25.00	"
856	6	15	William A. Maddin	150.00	"
856	4	30	Kate D. Rogers	87.50	"
857	6	35	John Dill	15.00	"
858	8	47	Harry Rogers	32.50	"
859	10	47	Bessie W. Bennell	27.50	"
860	7	60	George T. Ray	35.00	"
861	18	61	Eliza Bailey	35.00	"
862	5	62	James R. Richardson	35.00	"
863	75	75	Embree E. Hoss, Jr.	15.00	"

Deed No. Lot	Block	Name	Cons'd	Date
864 8	81	William Culbert	\$12.50	July 27, 1903
865 1	101	Benjamin Martin, Jr.	7.50	"
866 1-2-3-4- 5-6-7-8- 9-10-11- 12	143	Mary Challinor	150.00	"
867 1	160	Alma F. Hemming	10.00	"
868 2-3	183	David Challinor	80.00	"
869 2-6-7	193	Virginia Ward	70.00	"
870 8-9	208	James E. Johnson	62.50	"
871 3	210	Marcus C. Brown	42.50	"
872 3	231	Nannie McGuire	62.50	"
873 5	241	Joseph E. Smith	35.00	"
874 2	267	Anna H. Dodson	40.00	"
875 1-2	258	Lillie Dodson	50.00	"
876 3	260	William H. Twine	81.00	"
877 1	280	William A. Maddin	262.50	"
878 2-3	280	Letitia A. Maddin	255.00	"
879 1	311	Sarah Doyle	15.00	"
880 3	311	John P. Willott	15.00	"
881 3	318	Charles Sanders	12.50	"
882 7	325	Thomas L. Thompson	17.50	"
883 4	344	John Burchart	22.50	"
884 6	344	Barbara Burchart	22.50	"
885 3	431	John M. Davis	15.00	"
886 5	410	Magnolia Connely	132.50	"
" 1-2	437	"		
887 4	437	Ella S. Crawford	55.00	"

Deed No.	Lot	Block	Name	Cons'd	Date
888	1	451	Arkie Toomer	\$12.50	July 27, 1903
889	8	377	Hiram C. Weddle	12.50	"
890	1-2	394	John W. Dorsey	92.50	"
891	Pt 5	413	Joseph Helmer	27.50	"
892	2	415	Eudora Sondheimer	25.00	"
893	5	415	Belle McCaffrey	35.00	"
894	2	430	Sarah C. Davis	150.00	"
895	2	431	John N. Davis	125.00	"
896	5-6-7-8	444	Pauline B. Linton	120.00	"
897	3	456	Pleasant N. Blackstone	12.50	"
898	3	465	Territorial Trust & S. Co.	45.00	"
899	10	460	Territorial Trust & S. Co.,	60.00	"
900	13	33	James S. Dodson	30.00	"
901	3-4-5-6- 7-8-10	45	Eliza Murphy	292.50	"
"	5-6-7-8	44	"		"
902	8	49	Lula B. Dyer	35.00	"
903	8	52	George Zufall	375.60	"
904	19	58	Forest Primmer	25.00	"
905	18	59	Mima L. Flinn	27.50	"
906	6	81	Richard L. Bell	12.50	"
907	1-2-3	36	May Williams	7.50	"
908	4-5-6	90	Sallie Williams	15.00	"
909	1-2-4-5-6	93	Wesley Collins	25.00	"
910	1	102	Alfred J. Smith	5.00	"
911	1	106	Alice M. Robertson	150.00	"

Deed No.	Lot	Block	Name	Cons'd	Date
912	1	112	Flora A.Scotfield	\$10.00	July 29, 1903
913	2	112	Beatrice R.Scotfield	10.00	"
914	3	112	Margaret E.Toles	10.00	"
915	4	112	Maggie E.Toles	10.00	"
916	5	112	Minnie E.Parry	10.00	"
917	6	112	Edward G.Parry	10.00	"
918	8	112	Ella Ware	10.00	"
919	9	112	Arthur B.Cross	10.00	"
920	10	112	Linnie Eligar	10.00	"
921	11	112	Augustus Eligar	10.00	"
922	12	112	Harry Ware	10.00	"
923	1-2-3-4-5-6- 7-8-9-10- 11-12	125	Leo E.Bennett	60.00	"
924	1-2-3	200	Mattie A.Twine	60.00	"
925	All of	209	Trustees of School Dist. of Muskogee, I.T.	24.60	"
926	5	213	William A. Lane	50.00	"
927	6	214	William B.O'Kell	40.00	"
928	Pt 3	238	Julius Coats	17.50	"
929	7	266	John Dill	37.50	"
930	2	269	Lucy Cannedy	30.00	"
931	11	345	James E.Woodward	22.50	"
932	2	365	James C.Berry	32.50	"
933	3	365	Walter Layton	32.50	"
934	6	377	Hurschel V.Wedde	20.00	"
935	8	394	Malvina Austin	85.00	Aug.1, 1903
936	2	25	William H.Stout	50.00	Aug.10, 1903
937	4	47	Ellen B.Hutchings	27.50	"

Deed No.	Lot	Block	Name	Cons'd	Date
938	13-14	47	Martin R.Reeves	\$55.00	Aug.10,1903
939	5	47	Annie Paxton	28.00	"
940	17	53	Frederick B.Severs	25.00	"
941	18	56	Ivo Miller	30.00	"
942	4	63	John Doyle	100.00	"
943	17	82	Charles Hopkins	10.00	"
944	Pt 4,Pt 5	165	Jesse A.Haynes	21.25	"
945	6	186	Frank B.Mittong	42.50	"
946	1-2	207	James E.Johnson	87.50	"
947	2	224	William R.Shackelford & James Shackelford	63.34	"
948	2	238	Julius Coats	42.50	"
949	8	240	Ketch Lorens	15.00	"
950	5-6	289	Pleasant Porter	50.00	"
951	5	308	Frank Wideman	20.00	"
952	6	308	George Wideman	20.00	"
953	13	309	Pearl Williams	22.50	"
954	1	327	Roley McIntosh	20;00	"
955	8	391	Egbert Watson	17.00	"
956	6-7	410	Jacob Anspach	75.00	"
957	1-2	432	George T.Henson	73.34	"
958	1	11	Annie E.Severs	25.00	"
959	5	13	Augusta Moore	50.00	"
960	1	19	Jennie Roberts	12.50	Aug.12,1903
961	2	19	Sarah Barnett	22.50	"
962	5	19	Solomon Hosmer	15.00	"
963	10-11	19	Homer B.Spaulding	40.00	"

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Deed No.	Lot	Block	Name	Cons'd	Date	
964	12	19	Josie C. Spaulding	\$27.50	Aug. 12, 1903	
965	7-8	22	Eugene L. Bracken	45.00	"	
966	4	23	David Adams	17.50	"	
967	3	24	Susan McIntosh	35.00	"	
968	1	25	William Couch	35.00	"	
969	7	34	Allen E. Townsend	20.00	"	
970	6	55	Leo E. Bennett	100.00	"	
971	14	60	Louisa Minnice	32.50	"	
972	1-2-3-4-5- 6-7-8-9-10- 11-12	111	Anna C. Bennett	150.00	"	
973	3	159	Lydia Hutchings	5.00	"	
974	3	205	Robert H. Davis	23.00	"	
975	7	232	Thomas S. Johnson	66.00	"	
976	5	235	James Walker	37.50	"	
977	6	235	Jennie Bailey	30.00	"	
978	5	236	Julius Coats	75.00	"	
979	1	239	Christ Silberhorn	35.00	"	
980	11	242	Theodore Bailey	40.00	"	
981	5	284	William R. Robinson	45.00	"	
982	4	299	Martha Ceasar	37.50	"	
983	6	388	Joe M. Lawson	40.00	"	
984	8	393	Frederick B. Severs	50.00	"	
985	3	399	Vade N. Saver	20.00	"	
986	1	413	Thomas J. Minugh	25.00	"	
987	1-2	424	Sarah C. Davis	12.50	"	
988	1	461	John G. Blalock	7.50	"	
989	2	461	Elmer Alley	7.50	"	
990	3	461	William Motte	7.50	"	

Deed No.	Lot	Block	Name	Cons'd	Date
991	6-7-8	461	Frank P. Rider	\$22.50	Aug. 12, 1903
992	7	112	Jessie Dwyer	10.00	Aug. 17, 1903
993	9	240	Willie R. Watson	17.50	"
994	2	410	Catherine Crisp	50.00	"
995	1-10	440	Remus H. Ramsey	50.00	"
996	4	33	Carl H. Peterson	82.50	"
"	8	53	"		"
997	6	333	John C. Huser	42.50	"
998	5	471	Charles Roark	27.50	"
999	7	76	Walter W. Marton	10.00	"
1000	5	159	Samuel Nowlin	5.00	"
1001	2	311	Benjamin Warren	15.00	Aug. 19, 1903
1002	3	344	Samuel Barchart	22.50	"
1003	4	415	Alexander Sondheimer	35.00	"
1004	3	415	James B. McCaffrey	27.50	"
1005	4	471	Amanda C. Rider	27.50	"
1006	3	19	Henry Howell	30.00	"
1007	8	37	Rep Potts	25.00	"
1008	2	211	William L. Roberson	42.50	"
1009	3	432	Sarah A. Henson	27.50	"

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief. Letter 103, Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Muskogee, I.T., June 10, 1902.

Hon. Concharti Micco,

By Messenger.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter making statement in regard to a piece of land, embracing about fourteen quarter sections, around which a pastrue was built, and in which the stock of certain members of your town were kept, and also a notice from certain lawyers, Wood & Witten, notifying you to take down said pasture as they had made a rent contract for the use of a quarter section described in their letter, and which is the same as you write me has been inclosed, and in which some 190 head of cattle and 70 off head of horses have been grazed.

In reply to your question as to whether this could be lawfully done, I have to say that they have no right to do so and will not be permitted to take down said pasture, but the citizens who made selection of the same may maintain the pasture by allotting the same, and Cully Johnson has made arrangements with the Dawes Commission to as soon as possible bring them down and have them select their allotments. Pay no further attention to the notice sent you by Wood & Witten, but urge your town people who have not filed within that pasture to as soon as possible come down and select their allotments therein, or select the allotments they wish and send it down with those that come in order that the Dawes Commission may make their filings for them. This will end the difficulty and leave the people that have inclosed

--Press book, General Letters, P. Porter, page & Letter 112.--

the pasture in full possession of their property as their selections of final allotments.

In the event any person may have filed on any of these allotments that have not helped to make the wire fence and have improvements within the wire fence they will be compelled to hunt selections of allotments elsewhere, for the purpose of making allotments is to give each allottee land so as to include their homes and improvements.

I am sorry to learn that your health is not good, but hope that you will soon be well, and that I will see you at least by the time we hold our annual council.

Any wrongs occurring affecting the members of your town in regard to trespasses upon their allotments will be glad for you to report them to me at any time, and I will give the same my prompt attention.

Yours respectfully,

P. Porter,

Principal Chief.

Muskogee, Indian T., June 21, 1902.

Mr. Charles Gibson,

Eufaula, Indian T.

Dear Friend,-

I am in receipt of your letter of the 15th instant, relative to the matter of schools, and the selection of a proper person for the position of Superintendent of Public Instruction for the Creek Nation.

This office will have to be filled by election at the next October Council. Under the law the Chief does not appoint, but the council elects direct, but as you remark in your letter, it is of the highest importance that a proper person be selected for the position, and I trust such a person will be elected to the position. So far as I am personally concerned I would much prefer that the council elect some energetic person of good business ability in this line. It will require a person of good judgment, business experience and a fair accountant.

I expect to visit Eufaula in a few days and will be glad to have a talk with you about the matter.

I am in receipt of information through the Congressional Record, as well as a telegram through the Dawes Commission, that the supplemental agreement has passed. It will no doubt be signed by the President and a certified copy forwarded for the action of the Creek council. As soon as I receive a certified copy I will

--Press book General letters P.Porter.Ltr.121.--

call council to convene within ten days thereafter and lay the supplemental agreement before it. As yet I have not a copy of the act as it passed, but believe it to be in pretty good shape. Some features are objectionable, but there are many features that are of great value to our people. Should the council adopt it it will then have to be sent back to the President and be proclaimed by him, after which I shall immediately begin the issuance of deeds. In the event that council does not adopt it, it will still be my duty to begin the issuance of deeds under the agreement of May 25, 1901.

Thanking you for your letter and the kindly interest you have always taken in the public welfare of our people, I am

Very truly yours,

P. Porter.

Muskogee, Indian T.,

June 26, 1902.

Ripley Land Company,
Ripley, Oklahoma.

Gentlemen:

Replying to your letter of the 21st instance, in which you ask if the Creek people are in a position to sell any portion of their lands, I would advise that at the present time no lands in the Creek Nation outside of townsites set apart by the Government can be sold.

The agreement under which the lands of the Creek Nation are being allotted provides that the allottee, with the approval of the Secretary, may dispose of 120 acres of his allotment after he has received a deed from the Principal Chief. Any attempt by the allottee to sell his land before receiving deed should be discouraged, as it will no doubt lead to litigation.

Yours respectfully,

P. Porter,

Principal Chief.

Muskogee, I.T., October 16, 1903

Citizens National Bank,

Okmulgee, I.T.

Dear Sirs:-

On April 18th, 1903, Mr. D. N. Smith, President of your Bank, wrote this office enclosing certificates for Willie Scott and Betty Scott his wife, requesting that deeds be forwarded to them in care of the Bank, and to which letter we replied on April 21st that the order to send deeds must come from the allottees themselves. On April 24th, you sent order to "Please express deeds for me and Betty Scott to us at Okmulgee in care of Citizens National Bank." Signed Willie Scott.

With your first letter you enclosed memorandum of selection for these two parties, that of Willie Scott being the Southwest quarter of Section One, Township Fourteen and Range Fourteen. This day Willie Scott in person presents his certificate covering this same land and says that he is not married and does not know Betty Scott, has never signed the order. He was accompanied by his mother who had certificates for herself and the rest of the family, and it appears to be as he states, although I do not understand how you had the memorandum for the same allotment.

If you have the deed, please return same to this office at once.

Respectfully,
P. Porter,
Principal Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief. Letter 154. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Muskogee, Indian T.,

July 5, 1902.

Mr. Hespah Frischman,

Council Grove, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

I inclose notice of defalcation of your note of \$190,
which I must insist that you pay, and see to it that I am not
further troubled about it.

Yours truly,

P. Porter.

Muskogee, Indian T., July 12, 1902.

Reverend J. F. Thompson,
Tahlequah, Indian T.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of yours of the 9th instant, relative to securing a position as principal teacher in the Creek Orphan Home near Okmulgee.

Mr. Gregory, Superintendent of Public Instruction, and Miss Alice Robertson, Supervisor of Schools, has control of the appointment, but I do not know how far they have advanced in making such appointments. However, I will take pleasure in speaking a good word for you, and unless the appointments are already made, you will have the same opportunity as other applicants.

Yours very truly,

P. Porter,

Muskogee, Indian T., Aug. 14, 1902.

To his Excellency,

Theodore Roosevelt,

President of the United States.

Sir:

I inclose herewith a petition of a number of the prominent citizens of the Creek Nation praying the pardon of Lewis Yardeka, a Creek citizen.

Lewis Yardeka is a young man about 25 years of age, and has always borne a good reputation, being an honest, law-abiding, industrious and worthy citizen of my Nation. His father, Yardeka Harjo, served with credit during the War of the Rebellion in the Union Army, and was honorably discharged at its close. He is now about eighty years old, and totally blind, and draws a pension from the United States for his services, and has been all his life, except laterly a leader among the Creek people.

His son Lewis Yardeka, was arrested and convicted upon the assumption that he was at the time of his arrest affiliated with what is termed the "Snake Band of Creeks," in opposing the Government's policy in the distribution of the lands of the Creeks to the individual citizens. The fact is that he had accepted the allotment policy of the Government and had taken his allotment, and was living thereon and caring for his aged parent at the time of his arrest, the cause of his arrest being that he was living within a short distance of the Hickory Ground square at which place

--Press book P.Porter. Ltr.200.--

Muskogee, Indian T., Aug. 14, 1902.

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the Snake Band held their councils, and the grounds being in part upon his allotment, so it will be seen from this that he was on his own premises and these disaffected Creeks in quite a large number had gathered at their old Council place where they had been meeting prior to his taking his allotment, and his arrest and conviction was an error and can only now be corrected by bringing the facts before you, the only person in the Government having power to remedy the error, by granting him a full and free pardon, and as Chief of the Creek people I would earnestly pray that you grant him such a pardon so that hereafter there will be no stain upon his character.

Yours respectfully,

P. Porter,

Principal Chief,

Creek Nation.

Muskogee, Indian T., August 2, 1902.

To his Excellency,

the President of the United States,

S i r :

I am directed by the National Council of the Creek Nation to forward to the President of the United States a copy of the herewith inclosed preamble and resolutions, which are self-explanatory, and while the resolutions requests me to add such suggestions as I may deem necessary, I do not think I can describe the existing conditions in any stronger terms, and the dangers threatening the Creek people in their effort to accept the policy of the Government to distribute their lands to the individual citizens thereof.

It will require the utmost vigilance on the part of the Government to prevent the Indians from being overreached by the incoming home-seekers from the surrounding states. The policy of change as set out by the Government was to give to each citizen of the Nation an equal share in the lands patented to them in common, and to throw around them the protecting arm of the government so that as individual citizens of the United States, as they are now declared to be, they might be enabled to put their lands to the highest productive use without endangering its ownership, and as circumstances seem to justify, with the approval of the Secretary of the Interior, they may part with portions of their lands. But the policy was not intended to provide a means of divesting the Indians of their lands, but to individualize

--press book general letters p.porter.letter 206.--

them and protect them in the ownership of them and afford them an opportunity through which they might develop them by a system of rentals.

No doubt there will be great difficulty in maintaining this policy, but thus far the government has adhered to it and it is the purpose of this resolution to call attention to the evasions of it, and the means being used to overwatch the Indian allottees in the use of their lands, and in the guise of lease contracts get possession of their lands, and having possession trust that time will favor their continuance in possession and convert the Indian allotments to themselves.

I earnestly request that you give this matter your attention through the proper channels of the government.

Yours respectfully,

P. Porter,

Principal Chief.

Muskogee, I.T. Aug. 26, 1902.

Mr. M. L. Harrod,
Okmulgee, Ind. Ter.

Dear Sir:-

Acknowledging receipt of your favor of August 19th, in which you kindly invite me to attend and participate in the "Camp Meeting". I assure you that it would give me great pleasure to accept, did not the press of my official duties prevent.

In offering my regards, I wish to tender my kindest wishes to you and all others in attendance, for an enjoyable time and beneficial results.

Very sincerely,

P. Porter,

Principal Chief.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, Aug. 26, 1902.

Hon. J. Blair Shoenfelt,
U. S. Indian Agent, Union Agency,
Muskogee, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:-

Since the adoption of the supplemental agreement of June 30th last by the Creek Council, and the proclamation of the President declaring it in full force and effect and binding on all citizens and others affected thereby, and the beginning of the issuance of title to allottees thereunder, I am informed that contracts for various uses of the lands of the allottees are being made, many of which are in flagrant conflice with the letter and spirit of that agreement, while others are evasive and misleading.

The agreement expressly provides that:

"Creek citizens may rent their allotments for strictly non-mineral purposes for a term not to exceed one year for grazing purposes only, and for a period not to exceed five years for agricultural purposes, but without any stipulation or obligation to renew the same. X X X X X Any agreement or least of any character violative of this paragraph shall be absolutely void, and not susceptible of ratification in any manner, and no rule of estoppel shall ever prevent the assertion of its invalidity."

--Press book, general letters P.Porter.Ltr.241.--

The leases are being made for a period of five years and purport to be for agricultural purposes, but an analysis of their stipulations clearly show their prime object to be the securing possession of the citizen's allotment by making to him a first payment of one-half year's rental for his allotment of one hundred and sixty (160) acres at rates of from 15 to 25 cents per annum. In most cases the lease provides that improvements made upon such lands shall be paid for out of the stipulated rentals, and it is evident that any inconsiderable improvements that may be placed on these allotments will, at the expiration of the term of five years, exhaust all rents accruing under the contract, thus giving the use of one-hundred and sixty acres to the lessee for that period, for the pitiful pittance of some fifteen or twenty dollars, with the doubtful probability under the then grown up conditions, of the Indian allottee ever recovering possession of his allotment.

The policy of the Government, which was accepted in good faith by the Creeks, was clearly understood; being the distribution of their common estate in lands to the individual Creek citizen; the placing him in the unrestricted possession of his distributive share of land; the providing of a way whereby he may utilize for his personal benefit, by a well guarded system of renting and leasing, the highest productive capacity of his selected share of the common property. It has come to light that other engagements are being made with our citizens, purporting to be agricultural contracts for a period of five years, but their letter shows them to be for grazing or for purposes other than agriculture. Contracts have been made prior to the supplemental agreement of June 30, 1902, for periods of time ranging from
--press book P.Porter, letter 241.--

four to seven years, some for even longer periods than seven years, whereas Section thirty-seven of the prior agreement ratified by the Creek Council May 25, 1901, under the provisions of which they claim to have rented, provides that Creek citizens may rent their allotments when selected, for a term not exceeding one year;" therefore all rents or leases for more than one year are void and persons having so contracted for the use of such allotments have no right to claim or retain possession of them.

It is but just to state that many persons understanding the purpose of the land distribution policy of the Government, have made lease or rental contracts with our citizens for the use of their lands in conformity with the terms of the agreement and are observing them in good faith. It is well understood that the Government's policy in the matter of the distribution of lands in the Creek Nation includes the prohibition and restriction of sale of the lands allotted to the citizens; one hundred and twenty acres for five years and forty acres for twenty-one years. This is continually sought to be violated, especially in cases where the allottee has died and his allotment is to be inherited by his heirs at law, by land purchasers who assume to determine for themselves in advance of any adjudication by any proper tribunal, as to who are the proper heirs at law, and pay money to persons who claim to be heirs, and thereupon take possession of descendants' allotments. The allotments of incompetents and convicts are in like manner seized upon by persons claiming either to have rented or purchased them of the allottee or someone claiming to represent them. Other classes of cases where the lands of the allottees are being taken from them by means of improper methods, --Press book general letters P.Porter.Ltr 241.--

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might be mentioned, but their existence is of such public notoriety as to render their mention in this connection unnecessary.

The purpose of this communication is to invite your attention to the state of affairs above recited, and to insist that such remedial measures be taken by your office as will prevent the continuance of the unlawful practices above cited, and make clear the way for the legitimate leasing and renting of Creek lands for the wholesome and beneficial development of the same, as contemplated by our agreements with the Government. My necessarily deep interest in the subject will justify me, I trust, in suggesting that such direct action as is provided for in section nineteen of our supplemental agreement of June 30, 1902, be taken, as the initiative in the work of correction needed, said section reads as follows:

"The Secretary of the Interior shall, through the United States Indian agent in said Territory, immediately after the ratification of this agreement, put each citizen who has made selection of his allotment in unrestricted possession of his land and remove therefrom all persons objectionable to him; and when any citizen shall thereafter make selection of his allotment as herein provided and receive certificate therefor, he shall be immediately thereupon so placed in possession of his land, and during the continuance of the tribal government the Secretary of the Interior, through such Indian agent, shall protect the allottee in his right to possession against any and all persons claiming under any lease, agreement, or conveyance not obtained in conformity to law."

and has been ratified and officially proclaimed, but as yet the
--press book P.Porter.letter 241.--

greater number of Creek allottees have not been placed "in unrestricted possession" and their allotments still remain in the possession of, and are being used by persons who, prior to the adoption of the supplemental agreement, had by contracts of doubtful validity secured possession and occupancy of them. This work of correction may begin by proceeding to inquire of allottees whether or not they are in unrestricted possession of their allotments, either in person or through some legal tenant holding under a contract for the specific purposes provided for in the agreement aforesaid. All persons in the Creek country claiming the occupancy of land under lease or rent contracts, or by reason of having paid to some assumed representative or heir any sum of money for such possession, should be required to produce and show the evidence of their right to such possession or occupancy to the United States Indian Agent, who has been specifically authorized and charged with the duty of placing each Creek citizen in possession of his allotments free from all incumbrances. In all cases where possession of Creek lands has not been secured in accordance with the provisions of our agreements with the Government, the United States Indian Agent should remove such occupancy and place the Creek allottee in possession. Referring to the incompetent and convict class of Creek recipients of allotments, I might add orphans who are minors, for whom under existing conditions no guardian can practicably be appointed, and also the landed and other interests of the estate of deceased persons. As one possible way out of these latter difficulties, it might be suggested that all estates of this character be placed in the

--Press book P. Porter. letter 241.--

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hands of trustworthy Creek citizens who can allign themselves with security or trust companies of approved financial stability, who would bear the actual responsibility of the care and preservation of such estates.

Knowing that in the execution of the provisions of an agreement inaugurating such radical changes it is impossible to adequately and specifically provide for the proper settlement and protection of every interest, the framers of the agreement of May 25, 1901, very wisely included in said instrument for the adjustment of just such contingencies as these herein pointed out, the forty-fifth article, which reads as follows:

"All things necessary to carrying into effect the provisions of this agreement, not otherwise herein specifically provided for, shall be done under authority and direction of the Secretary of the Interior."

and which amply authorized the Department to take the steps I have here suggested.

In conclusion, I earnestly urge that whatever remedial action shall be determined on, the same be done at once. Any policy of vacillation or delay must and will fail of the object sought; namely, the preservation of the rights and property of the individual Creek just being clothed with United States citizenship. The Government of the United States has pledged its faith to induct them into full citizenship, protecting them in all their property interests, thus advancing them to a higher plane in respect of their social, political and property rights and interests, and under existing circumstances I am impelled to invoke the sovereign power of the Government to keep faith with this people, carrying

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to fall fruition its policy, humane in spirit and design, admirable in sentiment and in every way worthy of the great American Nation.

Very respectfully,

P. Porter,

Principal Chief-Creek Nation.

Muskogee, I. T.
Aug. 23, 1902.

Mr. Robert L. Owen,
Muskogee, I.T.

Dear Sir:-

I am in receipt of your communication of the 25th inst. in which you give me the information that you have considerable tracts of land near Catoosa with a view of putting under cultivation on seven years lease, the agreement of May 25, 1901. Just following you waive the question of the validity of such leases but I think proper under the circumstances to say to you very frankly that no lease for a term of seven years could be legally made under the agreement of May 25, 1901.

Sec. 37 of the agreement of May 25, 1901, under which leases may be made, reads as follows: "Creek citizens any lease allotments, when selected for a term not exceeding one year," Therefore, it would be seen that no lease could be legally made, under the agreement of May 25, 1901, for a period of seven years.

You say that many of the allottees have the impression that seven year leases are invalid. In any judgment, there is no question that their impressions are correct.

In the matter of breaking their contracts, the contracts are void when made for a period longer than one year, hence there is no contract for them to break but in the cases where they have received money in sums exceeding the use of the land for the time they have been held by the lease, my advice to them has been to --press book P.Porter.letter 248.--

return the money or renew the lease of the land for such term as will fully repay the lessor for the expenditures made by him.

I have invariably advised my people, even where advantage has been sought to be taken, that they should be honorable and if they have accepted any man's money to return him value received by renewing the lease for such term as would fully compensate the lessor for all improvements made or money paid.

Now, the provision has been made under the agreement of June 30, 1902, in Section 17, which reads as follows: "Creek citizens may lease their allotments for a term not exceeding five years for strictly non-mineral purposes." Where is it acceptable to both parties and the things stipulated in the contract to be done are in process of fulfillment, contracts could be made under the foregoing provision in the treaty for a term of five years, thus being in harmony with the law governing leases.

I advise my people to take this course in the matter under such circumstances, and my people as a general rule are desirous of following this course.

Yours very truly,

P. Porter.

Muskogee, I.T. Aug. 29, 1902.

Hon. Wm. M. Springer,
Ocean Grove NY.

Dear Sir:

Yours of Aug. 3rd was duly received and should have been answered before now. The presentation of your claim for services will be done at the annual session which will meet in October. At the convening of the council in July it could not be taken up for the reason that the Council was called in extraordinary session for a specific purpose which was action upon the supplemental agreement. I have no doubt that the Council already have made appropriation to compensate you for services as attorney and will agree to confirm the appropriation in so far as will cover the period of time that you rendered service.

Thanking you for your kindness in forwarding from time to time such documents and papers as are of interest to this office, and with kindest regards to Mrs. Springer, I am,

Very respectfully yours,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief-Creek Nation.

Muskogee, I.T.

Aug.29,1902

Mr. C. C. McCarty,
Div. Supt. Ill.Cen.R.R.,
St.Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of yours of the 27th inst. and in reply have to say that my daughter in going and returning from Belmont School at Nashville has always got transportation over the Louisville & Nashville and usually they have given her half rates over that route. If your road can favor us with the same rates, would be glad to send her over your route.

Very respectfully,

P. Porter.

Muskogee, I.T., Sept. 1, 1902.

Hon. Moty Tiger, Second Chief.

Okmulgee, Ind. Ter.

Dear Sir:-

During this month I will have a great deal to do in the issuance of deeds and the preparation of papers to lay before the Council, besides the message. Inasmuch as there are a great many of our people visiting this place, and as they should have

the attention of the Commission and the U.S. Indian Agent, I would respectfully request that you come to Muskogee and during this month attend to that part of the public business, so that we can be prepared for the coming Council of October.

Very respectfully,

P. Porter,

Principal Chief.

Muskogee, I.T., March 4, 1904

Timmie Procter,
Holdenville, I.T.

Sir:

I have sent you today under one cover, deeds for the following persons; the descriptions for which were furnished by the Dawes Commission:

Maleya Harjo
Marsey Harjo
Tahahke Simpson
Noah Harjo
Nocuseka
Wilson Gibson
Katie
Lena Homahte
Nochiheche Homahte
Watko Homahte
Milley Harjo
Mary Harjo
Sawanoke Harjo
Thomas Homahta
Polly Bearhead
Betsey Bearhead
Caesar Proctor
David Proctor.

I expect you to make a personal delivery of these deeds to the allottees in each case.

Respectfully,

Moty Tiger,

Acting Principal Chief.

Muskogee, I.T., March 14, 1904

Hon. J. George Wright,

U.S. Indian Inspector, Muskogee, I.T.

Sir:-

Calling your attention to the certificate of identification attached to deed No. 196, Okmulgee, you will observe that Victor B. Stanford is deceased and that his brother certifies as to his correct name. It has been the custom heretofore to draw these deeds in favor of the heirs of a deceased person to whom lots were scheduled, and in one instance the deed was returned unapproved by the Department because this was not done. We cite you to Section 30, of the Creek Treaty, Public No. 112, which reads as follows:

All deferred payments under provisions of this agreement, shall constitute a lien in favor of the tribe on the property for which the debt was contracted, and if, at the expiration of two years from the date of payment of the fifteen per centum aforesaid, default in any annual payment has been made, the lien for the payment of all purchase money remaining unpaid may be enforced in the United States court within the jurisdiction of which the town is located, in the same manner as vendor's liens are enforced; such suit being brought in the name of the Principal Chief for the benefit of the tribe.

There seems to be no question as to title passing, at least after the 15% per centum was paid, if not when the schedule was approved. This being the case, if the owner should sell the lot

--P.Porter press book.ltr.281.--

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scheduled to him (subject to the lien of the Creek Nation) and the deed should afterwards be drawn in favor of the heirs, the purchaser must go into court to enforce his title.

In view of these facts, I have drawn this deed in favor of Victor B. Stanford on the ground that the title vested in him, subject to the lien of the Creek Nation, that this lien has been satisfied either by him, his heirs or the purchaser, and this deed is only the evidence of title.

Respectfully,

P.Porter,

Prin.Chief.

Muskogee, I.T. Sept. 2, 1902

Mr. Amos Harjo,

Wetumka, I.T.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of August 30th and in reply will advise you that I have transmitted your letter to Hon. J. Blair Schoenfelt, United States Indian Agent, in which you call attention to a certain white man to whom you have contracted a part of your allotment and in which you charge him with violation of contract and threats against your life, with request that he take such steps as will rectify the matter.

Agent Schoenfelt is out of town at present and will not return for some days, but so soon as he returns I will personally make explanation of the matter as I understand it from your letter. It will be necessary for you to write the statement you have made to me to Agent Schoenfelt, giving the name of the white man and the description of the land you actually rented to him, and it might be well to forward to him the contract itself, and if the contract is not in accordance with the law, it will be set aside and you will be placed in full possession.

Respectfully yours,

P.P.

Muskogee, I.T. Sept. 2, 1902

Hon. J. Blair Schoenfelt,

Muskogee, I.T.

Dear Sir:

I herewith transmit to you a letter from a Creek citizen by the name of Amos Harjo, which is self-explanatory. I have written him to forward you the name of the white man he charges with violation of contract and making threats on his life, as well as a full description of the land which he rented or leased and have advised him that should you find the contract was not in conformity with the law that he would be placed in full possession and the contract set aside.

Respectfully yours,

P.Porter,

Principal Chief.

Muskogee, I.T. Sept. 2, 1902.

Mr. George S. Clark,

Ardmore, I.T.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of August 20th asking some questions relative to your purchasing land and establishing a nursery in my country. I would say that so far as purchasing a piece of land is concerned, at present no lands can be sold for any purpose whatever except upon approval of the Secretary of the Interior and it is not at all probable that such approval would be obtained, especially for so small a piece of ground.

The only way a nursery could be established would be by leasing a piece of ground for five years, and then at the end of the time make suitable arrangements either to further lease or purchase with the owner of the land for a continuance of your industry. I believe that such a business would be a profitable one and will be much needed as in the development of the country all kinds of fruit trees, shrubbery, flowers and shade trees will be desired.

Respectfully yours,

P.Porter.

(Endorsed) Union Agency Press Book, General letters by P.Porter.
Letter 265.Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Muskogee, I.T., Sept. 2, 1902.

Hon. Tams Bixby, Chairman, Dawes Commission.

Muskogee, Ind. Ter.

Dear Sir:-

Hon. Roley McIntosh, town chief of Tulledega Town, states that a great number of the members of his town did not in person select their allotments, but they were selected or assigned to them by the Dawes Commission. Such persons as have had their allotments assigned to them, as aforesaid, now begin to wish to know the number and description of their allotments, so as to select their homesteads. I request that he be furnished a copy of such members of his town as had their allotments assigned to them so as to assist them in finding their allotments. If he can thus be furnished a copy of the names of such persons, and a description of the lands assigned to them by the Commission, I think it would tend largely to satisfy this disaffected element of the Creek people and be promotive of much good.

Respectfully submitted,

P.P.

Principal Chief.

Muskogee, I.T., Sept. 4, 1902.

Watty A. Palmer,

Holdenville, I.T.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of yours of the 2nd inst. in which you ask my opinion as to blank form of lease. In reply I will state that I regard the lease as one that no Creek citizen should make. In the first place, the compensation for the use of the land in money and improvements to be put on same under the provisions of such a lease, are entirely inadequate, and the further provision to turn over the things to be done, which are stated in writing, is but a small portion of what will be required to put it in a good state of cultivation with suitable houses, outhouses and farm fixtures, the result of which will be at the expiration of the lease the allotment encumbered with debt that will probably take five years to release the lessor and give full and unrestricted possession. The almost certain ending of such a lease would be a controversy in the courts in which the Indian allottee would lose not only his rental but more than probable his land. I would not advise any citizen to make any lease that makes any provision beyond the term of leasing. In point of fact, the Treaty prohibits the making of leases of such character.

Respectfully yours,

P.Porter.

(Endorsed) Union Agency Press Book, General letters by Pleasant Porter, Letter 267, Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Muskogee, I.T., Sept.10,1902

Mr. J. Blair Schoenfelt,

U.S.Indian Agent, Muskogee,I.T.

Dear Sir:-

Mr. John Davis, of Broken Arrow, a Creek citizen, states that his son Tommie Davis, did during his lifetime file upon the S. E. 1/4 of Sec. 12, Township 18, Range 14--160 Acres, and rented said described allotment to one Mr. Lester, a non-citizen, for a term of six years in the latter part of 1901. The purpose of the lease was to put the allotment under cultivation and erect some houses. Said Tommie Davis, shortly after making such lease, died and Mr. Lester, without doing as provided in the contract, sold the contract to a Mr. Crawford. The allotment was without improvement and sometime after his son's death he visited the place and found a Mr. Crawford claiming possession and Mr. Crawford claimed he had paid Mr. Lester something for the lease and that Mr. Lester had paid to his son \$25 as part payment of rental. Mr. Lester claimed that he should be compensated for this and that if he would allow him to use the land until September 30th for the purpose of grazing sheep then he would vacate the allotment and not dispute possession of it.

During this summer Mr. Crawford has placed the possession of the allotment in a new man who, without my knowledge, I living in a different section of the country, has broken up something like a 100 acres of the allotment. Mr. Crawford no doubt claimed the full term of the lease that my son had made. The lease

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having been made before the adoption of the Supplemental Treaty, was illegal and void by its terms.

Now, Mr. John Davis makes request that he be placed in immediate possession of his son's allotment, he being the only heir to his son's estate he having no children, and the person now in possession be removed therefrom as he is a trespasser and under contract with no person interested in the estate.

I would respectfully request that you investigate this case and place Mr. Davis in possession of his son's allotment. I think it of a character that an example should be made of.

Respectfully yours,

P. Porter,

Prin.Chief.

Muskogee, I.T. Sept. 10, 1902.

Hon. David Herrod,

Chief of Tokpofka Town,

Sir:

By authority in me vested by the laws of the Creek Nation, you are hereby directed to convene the voting members of your town at such time and place as may be most convenient for the purpose of holding an election to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Barney Bruner of the House of Warriors.

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Principal Chief.

Muskogee, I.T., Sept 10, 1902

Mr. Leo E. Bennett,

U.S. Marshall, Muskogee, I.T.

Dear Sir:

I am informed by a Creek letter written by Jim Smith that it is known who was the murderer of Barney Bruner; that some white people down there have told who committed the murder. His name is Sandy Watson.

I enclose the Creek letter as it might be necessary in tracing this up. Jim Smith is a member of the House of Kings from Pocontallahassee Town.

Respectfully yours,

P. Porter,

Principal Chief.

Muskogee, I.T., Sept. 10, 1902.

Mr. Samuel Checote,

Coweta, I.T.

Dear Sir:-

Please find enclosed Warrant in favor of Mrs. Annie Checote for \$40.00; also warrant \$11.49 in favor of Lucile Byrd for \$90.00. Please deliver these to the proper persons and send me receipt for same and oblige.

Yours truly,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

Muskogee, I.T., Sept. 15, 1902.

Mr. H. C. Fisher,
Checotah, I.T.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find Warrant #1237 in favor of John M. Robe for \$1400.00, salary of teachers and repairs, etc., of Mvaka Mission; also warrant 1236 in favor of Grunewalt & Thomas for \$228.00, repairs to Eufaula High School. Please audit these and return to me and oblige.

Yours truly,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

Muskogee, I.T., Sept 22, 1902

Hon. Roley McIntosh,

Fame, I.T.

Dear Sir:

In pursuance of an agreement between the Cherokee, Choctaw and Seminole Chiefs and myself, a Council for conference is to be held in South McAlester beginning on the 26th of September, and I hereby notify you that you are appointed as one of the conferees to represent the Creek Nation and are earnestly requested to be present at South McAlester on the 26th inst.

Yours truly,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

Muskogee, I.T. Sept. 22, 1902

Hon. Lawyer Deer,

Foster, I.T.

Dear Sir:

In pursuance of an agreement between the Cherokee, Choctaw and Seminole Chiefs and myself, a Council for conference is to be held in South McAlester beginning on the 26th of September, and I hereby notify you that you are appointed as one of the conferees to represent the Creek Nation and are earnestly requested to be present at South McAlester on the 26th inst.

Yours truly--P. Porter
Prin. Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters P. Porter. Letter #232. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Muskogee, I.T., Sept. 23, 1902

Hon. Owen Kennedy,

Pres. Ft. Smith Street Fair,

Ft. Smith, Ark.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your kind invitation to be present at the Street Fair and Carnival in your city on Oct. 13 to 18. At that time I will be at the Creek Council and you see it will be impossible for me to attend the Fair.

Thanking you for your invitation, I am,

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

Muskogee, I.T., Sept. 23, 1902.

Mrs. Lillie Rowe Daniels,
Marlin, Texas.

Dear Madam;

Yours of the 15th inst. is at hand. I am sorry to have to inform you that it will be impossible for you to establish your rights as a Creek citizen at this late date. The rolls of Creek citizens have been closed for more than a year, and whether you are of Creek extraction or not, would make no difference now. The land of the Creeks will be distributed to those who have been placed on the rolls and approved by the Secretary of the Interior and while there may be quite a number of Creeks by blood omitted on that roll, there is no way for them to get any portion of the Creek lands now. I would advise you to think no more about it and spend no money. If you wish to lease or rent land, you will have to take your chances with other who are renting and leasing of the Creek allottees.

Respectfully,

P. Forter,

Prin. Chief.

Muskogee, I.T. Sept. 23, 1902

Mess. Lewis & Suider, Attys,
Oklahoma City, I.T.

Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of yours of the 20th inst. in which you ask several questions relative to the manner of procuring the right of way for Arkansas Valley and Western Railroad. For accurate information regarding the matters and things referred to in your letter, I would advise you to examine the law of Feb. 28, 1902 which is now in print. It is Public Document No. 26, "An Act granting the right of way through Oklahoma Territory and Indian Territory to the Enid & Anadarko Railroad Company, and other purposes."

This will give you full information as to the mode of procedure that your company will have to follow in securing and paying for a right of way.

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

Muskogee, I.T., Sept. 23, 1902

Hon. Tans Bixby,

Chr. Commission to Five Civilized Tribes,

Muskogee, I.T.

Sir:

Sometime ago request was made by me that Reley McIntosh of Tulladeega Town be furnished a list of persons belonging to said town to whom allotments had been made by the Commission, together with description of the land allotted to such persons. I am informed by yours of Sept. 20th inst. that such list desired by Mr. McIntosh is being prepared.

It has occurred to me that a list of like character be furnished each member of the House of Kings of each town, as soon as practicable, say sometime during the month of October while the Council is in session.

Respectfully,

P. Porter

Prin. Chief.

Muskogee, I.T., Sept. 23, 1902

Gov. Hulbutter Micoo,

Wewoka, I.T.

Sir:

I am in receipt of replies from Gov. Duke of the Choctaw Nation and Gov. Buffington of the Cherokee Nation, approving the call of convention of the Chief and leading men of their nation at South McAlester on the 26th inst. As yet I have no response from the Governor of the Chickasaw Nation but presume he will be present.

Hoping to meet you and some of your leading men at that date, I am,

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Principal Chief Creek Nation.

Muskogee, I.T. Sept. 23, 1902

Gov. G. W. Dukes,
Talihina I.T.

Sir:

I am in receipt of replies from Gov. Buffington of Cherokee Nation and Gov. Hulbutter Micoo of the Seminole Nation, approving the call of convention of the Chiefs and leading men of their Nation at South McAlester on the 26th inst. As yet I have not heard from Governor of Chickasaw Nation but presume he will be present.

Hoping to meet you and some of your leading men at that date, I am,

Respectfully,

P. Porter, Prin. Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency Press book, general letters, by Principal Chief. Letter 293. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Muskogee, I.T., Sept. 23, 1902

Alice B. Adams,

Okemah, I.T.

Dear Madam:-

I am in receipt of your letter of the 16th inst. and in reply to same will assure you that Nokes Fixico will deed to his allotment, both the homestead and the 120 acres, delivered to him in person if he desires it, or by express in the event that he can not come and receive it. Therefore, it will be delivered either by myself or by express and there is no danger of it falling into the hands of any one else. And even in the event it did, the lands are conditioned by the terms of the Treaty and can not be sold without the consent of the Secretary of the Interior, the 120 acres before five years and the 40 acres before twenty-one years has expired. So I am glad you called my attention to the matter and you may assure any of the Creek people that no matter what they may have done, the land they receive has the law impressed upon it even if the person does not understand it, and will attach to the land.

Respectfully,

P.Porter,

Prin.Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency Press book, general letters, by Principal Chief. Letter 295. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Muskogee, I.T. Sept. 29, 1902

Mr. John Caddick,

Deer Lodge, Mont.

Dear Sir:

I have received yours requesting that I take some interest in having a bridle manufactured by you raffled off in this town. You might, if you like, forward one of your work to me and I will have it raffled off for you and send you the proceeds.

Respectfully,

P.Porter,

Prin.Chief.

Muskogee, I.T., Sept. 29, 1902

Mr. P.E.Fowler,

Van Buren, Ark.

Dear Sir:

Yours requesting that I inform you as to what the Tax Law in the Territory is, has been received. In reply will state that the tax imposed by the Tribe for trade license is not now collectible. To conduct a business of any kind in a town will be subject to such taxes as are imposed by the ordinances of that town.

Respectfully,

P.Porter,

Prin.Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency Press Book, general letters
by Principal Chief. Letter 297. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Muskogee, I.T., Sep. 29, 1902.

Miss Elizabeth Yargee,

Red Fork, I.T.

Dear Miss Yargee:

Yours of September 16th has been received in which you state that the Arkansas & Southwestern Railway Company has surveyed its right of way through your allotment of 160 acres, the West Half of the South East quarter of Section Nine (9), in Township Nineteen (19) North and Range Twelve (12) East, and the South East quarter of the South West ages resulting from the building of said railroad Ten Dollars per acre, and that said railroad will take from your above described allotment six acres. You state that the compensation is inadequate and that you wish that I advise you as to what steps to take to secure the payment to you of the full damage for injury to your allotment.

As it appears that you are under age, you would not be authorized nor could they make any settlement with you whatever for the damage, and I would advise you, if you have not a guardian, to petition the Court to appoint a guardian to represent you in arranging with the railroad company an equitable agreement for the damage resulting to you allotment by reason of the railroad traversing it in its construction.

Under the law authorizing the construction of railroads, in the event your guardian would be unable to agree as to what the proper damage would be he will have the right to have referees

--P. Porter press book. ltr. 299.--

appointed to agree on the damage, and should either party disagree with the finding of the referee, said party should have the right to appeal to the Courts and have the damage assessed by the Court, which decision would be final.

Perhaps I had better advise you that you being under age, are not legally competent to receive any compensation whatever from the railroad as damage to your allotment.

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

Muskogee, I.T., Sept. 29, 1902

Gov. T.M. Buffington

Prin. Chief Cherokee Nation

Tahlequah, I.T.

Dear Sir:-

At a meeting of the Chiefs and leading men of each Nation at South McAlester, a conclusion was reached, in as much as there was not a full meeting on the 26th inst., that it would be advisable to take no definite action in regard to the matter of adopting a definite policy for ourselves to guide us in reaching statehood, but to ask a convention of the chiefs of the Five Civilized Tribes to meet on the 15th of October, 1902 with such numbers of their leading men as each Nation may think proper, at South McAlester.

Therefore, we jointly, Chiefs of the Creek and Seminole Nations, do hereby call a meeting at the time and place above stated. We trust you will take such action as will secure a full meeting at the conference aforesaid.

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief-Creek Nation

Hulbutter Micco

Prin. Chief-Seminole Nation.

Muskogee, I.T., Sep. 30, 1902

Mr. Phillip A. Lewis,
Muskogee, I.T.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find warrant for \$150.00 for salary as Superintendent of Tullahassee school, for which please acknowledge receipt.

Respectfully,
P. Porter,
Prin. Chief.

Muskogee, I.T., Sep. 30, 1902.

Mr. James P. Atkins,
Wetumka, I.T.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find warrant for \$150.00 for salary as Superintendent of Wetumka Commission, for which please acknowledge receipt.

Respectfully,
P. Porter,
Prin. Chief.

Muskogee, I.T., Nov. 2, 1902

Gov. Green McCurtain,

Gov. Choctaw Nation,

Tushkahomma, I.T.

Dear Sir:-

The Creek representatives to your nation returned on yesterday and reported to me that you had agreed with them to call a convention at sometime during this month, perhaps the 20th, at Eufaula, Creek Nation, which was satisfactory to me. This morning the representatives of the Creek Nation to the Chickasaw Nation have returned with a resolution passed by the legislature of the Chickasaw Nation, appointing delegates to represent their Nation at the Convention of the Five Nations to be called by you. They further state to me that Gov. Mosely of the Chickasaw Nation expressed a preference that the convention be called to meet at Okmulgee, the capital of the Creek Nation, and informed them that he would notify you of it.

With this information I wish to express my gratification at the results accomplished thus far in securing a convention and to advise you that should you call the convention at Okmulgee instead of Eufaula, that it will be entirely satisfactory to me. I am of the opinion that it would be best that the call be issued immediately so that the delegates that I am to send to the Cherokee Council, which will meet Monday, may be informed as to the time and place the convention is to be held.

The Creek Council will be in session on Nov. 18th and will

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continue fifteen days, and it will be gratifying to the Council to have the convention while their Council is in session at Okmulgee.

Respectfully,

P.Porter,

Prin.Chief--Creek Nation.

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Muskogee, I.T., Nov. 1, 1902

Hon. J. Coody Johnson,

Wewoka, I.T.

Dear Sir:-

I am in receipt of yours of Oct. 30th making request in regard to Mamie McClosky's allotment and other dues from the Creek Nation which may accrue to her as a Creek citizen. In reply I can only advise you that her allotment, together with other interests, will be subject to the order of the U.S. Court before whom her heirs will have to establish their rights.

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

Muskogee, I.T., Nov. 1, 1902

Mr. L. P. Barnes,

Coweta, I.T.

Dear Sir:-

Your note requesting me to furnish you with a copy of all treaties extant between the U.S. Government and the Creek Nation is received and in reply will say that I have to advise you that I have a copy of the Statutes at Large including all the treaties between the Creek Nation. You can get the treaties in Vol. 7 of the statutes at Large and the Volume entitled Revision of Indian Treaties, in Washington. There is an agreement in the Statutes at Large which cedes Oklahoma to the United States which was

--P. Porter, press book, ltr. 316.--

Feb. 8, (1889). The allotment agreements can be secured at the
Phoenix Ptg. Co., at Muskogee.

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

Muskogee, I.T., Nov. 1, 1902

Hon. J. Blair Schoenfelt,

U.S. Indian Agent, Muskogee, I.T.

Sir:

I transmit you herewith a letter from Samuel Johnson making complaint against stock men who either have rented or are about to rent some portions of the public domains unallotted, for the purpose of grazing cattle. I trust you can do something in protection of Mr. Johnson by instructing, or having the Revenue Collector instructed to see that concessions are made to citizens owning stock who have not sufficient range upon which to graze their cattle, at the same rates of rent per acre as is charged to non-citizens for cattle grazing.

I take this occasion to say that I regard it as unwise to rent any portion of the public domain unallotted for the coming season in as much as all the allotments will be completed before the grazing season of next year begins and the residue of the lands, under the Treaty, is to be used for the purpose of evening up allotments to those whose allotments are less than the maximum valuation per share. Should they be again rented for grazing purposes, the allottees who choose lands in preference to money will not be able to get possession of their lands and will be kept out of the use of it for another season, which would be a manifest injustice to them.

I ask of you to give this matter your earnest consideration.

Respectfully,

P. Porter--Prin. Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters, by Principal Chief. Letter 319. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Muskogee, I.T., Nov. 6, 1902

Mr. Johnson E. Tiger,
Supt. Creek Orphan School,
Okmulgee, I.T.

Dear Sir:-

Please acknowledge receipt of the enclosed school warrants issued by me in payment of indebtedness incurred by the Creek Orphan School, for quarter ending September 30, 1902, as follows:

1366	Johnson E. Tiger, Supt,	to use for school purposes	\$169.96
1280	Parkinson-Trent Mer. Co.,	Supplies,	443.35
1281	Parkinson-Trent Mer Co.	Supplies,	556.23
1282	F. B. Severs,	Supplies,	23.90
1283	S. P. Morrison,	Supplies,	9.65
1284	Pickering Bros.	Supplies,	24.12
1285	Morton Bros.	Supplies,	193.65
1286	Harrison Butterine Co.,	Supplies,	13.75
1287	Y. W. Kennedy,	Prin. Teacher,	23.35
1288	Mabel Hall,	Asst. Teacher,	21.00
1289	Lena B. Tiger,	Matron,	90.00
1290	Mollie Jefferson,	Seamstress,	14.00
1291	Kate Wilson,	Matron,	16.00
1292,	Killie Robison,	Cook,	17.00
1293,	H. C. Beckman & Co.,	Supplies,	45.70

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Please deliver these warrants to the proper parties, taking their receipts therefore.

Respectfully,

P.Porter,

Prin.Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency Press book, general letters, by Principal Chief.Letter 320.Muskogee,Oklahoma.

Muskogee, I.T. Nov. 6, 1902

Mr. Samuel J. Chacote,

Supt. Coweta National Boarding School,

Coweta, I.T.

Dear Sir:-

Please acknowledge receipt of the enclosed school warrants issued by me in payment of indebtedness incurred by the Coweta National Boarding School for quarter ending September 30, 1902, as follows:

1266	Samuel J. Chacote, Supt. to use for school purposes	\$150.00
1268	Western Investment Co., Supplies,	532.14
1269	Turner Hdw. Co., Supplies,	134.55
1270	S. J. Chacote, Supplies,	41.32
1271	J. R. Price, Teacher,	25.00
1272	Ballie Maxey, Teacher,	20.00
1273	Annie Chacote, Matron,	12.50
1274	Fannie Haynia, Cook,	12.50
1275	Alma Allen, Work,	46.00
1276	J. W. Allen, Laborer,	40.00
1277	James Saffey, Laborer,	9.00
1278	Harrison Butterine Co., Supplies,	13.75
1279	Amanda Davis, Matron,	10.00

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Please deliver these warrants to the proper parties, taking their receipts therefor.

Respectfully,

P.Porter,

Prin.Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief. Letter 321. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Muskogee, I.T., Nov. 6, 1902

Mr. T. Allen Brouse

Supt. Euchee Boarding School,

Sapulpa, I.T.

Dear Sir:

Please acknowledge receipt of the enclosed school warrants issued by me in payment of indebtedness incurred by the Euchee Boarding School, for quarter ending September 30, 1902, as follows:

1369	T. Allen Brouse, Supt.	to use for school purposes,	\$200.00
1307	H.C. Hall & Co.,	Supplies,	854.86
1308	W.J. Robbins,	Supplies,	2.50
1309	R.M. Starr,	Supplies,	23.15
1310	Pryor & Son,	Supplies,	11.60
1311	Sapulpa Meat Market,	Supplies,	5.45
1312	Thomas Wills,	Supplies,	205.02
1313	J.C. Menifee,	Supplies,	6.30
1314	Sapulpa Democrat,	Supplies,	9.00
1315	Charles Whittaker,	Supplies,	29.47
1316	Booth & King,	Supplies,	3.25
1317	Harrison Butterine Co.,	Supplies,	25.00
1318	Tooka Ross,	Matron,	11.66
1319	Lulu S. Prouse,	Matron,	11.66
1320	Soma Sarda,	Laundress,	10.00
1321	M.E. Flakely,	Laborer,	8.08
1322	Annie L. James,	Teacher,	18.66
1323	Helen Phipps,	Teacher,	20.66
1324,	J.M. Riley,	Teacher,	25.66

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1325 T.Allen Prouse, Supplies, \$ 21.66

Please deliver these warrants to the proper parties, taking their receipts therefor.

Respectfully,

P.Porter,

Prin.Chief.

Muskogee, I.T., November 17, 1902.

Mrs. Mary Chissee,

Coweta, Indian T.

Dear Madam:

I am informed that Guy Bowman, to whom you sold 120 acres of your land near Coweta, is agreeable to advancing you \$500.00 more on your land at this time, but in order to do so will have to have you sign another deed so as to more fully comply with the requirements of the Dawes Commission: that on account of the trouble caused you on account of J.H. Leavitt and others you were unwilling to sign any more papers in connection with your land, in accordance with the directions of the Indian Agent, unless the Indian Agent or myself advised you that it would be all right.

Since you have sold your land to Mr. Bowman and have already received \$500.00, and are now to receive \$500.00 more, and that there will still be deposited to your account at the First National Bank of Muskogee, you would be doing no wrong to sign these additional papers, and if you are willing for them to proceed it is a matter between you and Mr. Bowman, and I am sure you will be caused no trouble on account of any of the Government officials here.

Yours truly,

P. Porter,

Principal Chief.

P.S. I inclose also letter from the bank showing the money is there.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief. Letter 326. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Muskogee, I.T., Nov. 17, 1902

Messrs. Blair & Thigpen,

Wagoner, I.T.

Gentlemen:-

Yours of the 12th inst. making inquiry as to where you can get money on certain court script for the sum of \$21.40, audited by Wm. Whitlow, Feb. 3, 1899, is at hand. In order to secure payment of the above script you would have to present it to the Council requesting that an appropriation be made for its payment, and then should the Council make the appropriation, a warrant will be issued from the Executive Office for its payment, which would be paid by the United States provided the act of appropriation be approved by the President of the United States.

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

Muskogee, I.T., Nov. 17, 1902

Commission to Five Civilized Tribes,

Muskogee, I.T.

Sirs:-

Yours of the 15th inst. making inquiry if any contract was ever entered into between the Creek Nation and the Sission Industrial Institute, and whether the establishment of said school had been sanctioned by the Creek Council, is at hand. I have to reply

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that no contract was ever made between the Creek Nation and said School and that said school has never been sanctioned by the Creek Council.

Respectfully,

P.Porter,

Prin.Chief.

November 18, 1902

In accordance with the custom and law of the Creek Nation, I hereby authorize and direct that you convene a meeting of the voting members of Cusetah Town at such time and place as may be most convenient for the purpose of holding an election for member of the House of Warriors to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Stand Waitie, formerly a member of the House of Warriors representing Cusetah Town.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the Nation this 18th day of November, 1902.

P. Porter,
Prin. Chief.

Muskogee, I. T., Nov. 18, 1902

Thomas Randall & Una Johnson,
Okmulgee, I. T.

Gentlemen:-

I am in receipt of your notification of the 7th inst. of the death of Stand Waitie, member of the House of Warriors of Cusetah town, and herewith enclose you an order for an election to be held in Cusetah to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Stand Waitie.

Respectfully,
P. Porter,
Prin. Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief, Letter 329, Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 22, 1904

Hon. Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes,
Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Sirs:

Having reference to your April 19th, (M.27), in which you enclose deeds numbered 13390 and 13391 drawn in favor of Nan-pe-chee Polecat, whose name, it appears, was on Creek Indian Roll No. 9125, but which you state, has, by order of the Department, been stricken from the rolls of the Creeks by blood and directs the cancellation of these deeds, will you kindly furnish me with enough of the history of the cause for striking this allottee from the rolls, to the end that I may make explanation when the deeds are applied for?

Respectfully,

P.Porter,

Principal Chief, M.N.

Muskogee, I.T., Nov. 6, 1902.

Hon. J. George Wright,
U.S. Indian Inspector,
Muskogee, Ind. Ter.

Dear Sir:

I enclose herewith, for transmission to the Department for the approval of the President, an Act of the National Council, passed at the October session, 1902, appropriating Fourteen and 40/100 (\$14.40) Dollars, per capita, in favor of Mary Chisholm, Ida Chisholm, Polly Chisholm, Lizzie Chisholm, Stanley Chisholm, and Glover Chisholm; said per capita amount being the same as received by all other citizens of the Creek Nation in 1895.

This claim was referred to a special committee of the National Council, which committee thoroughly investigated the matter and found that the above named parties have never received the per capita payment made in, 1895, and due them as Creek Citizens.

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

Muskogee, I.T., Nov. 6, 1902.

Hon. J. George Wright,
U.S. Indian Inspector,
Muskogee, Ind. Ter.

Dear Sir:

I enclose herewith, for transmission to the Department for the approval of the President, an Act passed at the October Session of the National Council appropriating One Hundred and Fifty (\$150) Dollars in favor of Alfred F. Goats, for services rendered as railroad tie agent. It was found on investigation by the Finance Committee of the National Council that said services were actually rendered the Creek Nation, and the passage of the accompanying Act recommended.

Respectfully,
P. Porter,
Prin. Chief.

Muskogee, I.T., Nov. 6th, 1902

Hon. J. George Wright,

U.S. Indian Inspector, Muskogee, I.T.

Sir:-

I herewith transmit to you Act of the National Council making an appropriation for educational purposes. This is for your information and will not require the approval of the President as it comes under the head of appropriations for the necessary expenses of the Nation and is the usual annual appropriation subject to application for school purposes under the direction of the Superintendent of Public Schools and the Supervisor of Schools for the Creek Nation and the Superintendent of Public Instruction, and is paid out on warrants issued upon their requisitions as expenses for the operation of the schools of the Creek Nation.

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

Muskogee, I.T., Dec. 6, 1902

Mr. Henry Ansley,

South McAlester, I.T.

Dear Sir:-

I think it would be good policy to send immediately a certified copy of the resolution asked by the representatives of the Five Civilized Nations at Eufaula on Nov. 23th, to Sen. Quay with the request that they be presented to the Senate so that the views of the Indian Nation be considered while the Senate has before it the so called Omnibus Bill granting statehood to New Mexico, Arizona and Oklahoma. I suggest this simply as Chairman of the Convention and would request that you secure the approval of the different Chiefs of the Nations of the course suggested, but it would be best not to delay the forwarding of the certified copy at this time so that it would be before the Senate on the 10th, when the statehood measure is to be taken up.

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief-Creek Nation.

Muskogee, I.T., Dec. 6, 1902

Hon. T. H. Buffington,

Vinita, I.T.

Dear Sir:-

I have requested Mr. Henry Ansley, Secretary of the convention of the Five Civilized Tribes at Eufaula on Nov. 18th, to forward to Sen. Quay a certified copy of the resolutions passed at that convention with request that he present it to the Senate as a Resolution from our Nations touching the question of statehood for the Territories of Oklahoma, Arizona and New Mexico, which comes up before the Senate on Dec. 10th. The reason I think it should be done is that the measure providing for statehood for these three Territories involves our Territory, which, by the uniform voice of the Indian people owning the Territory, is opposed to including their country within the boundaries of any state or territory now or hereafter to be organized.

Trusting this will meet with your approval, I am,

Very respectfully,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief--Creek Nation.

Muskogee, I.T., Dec. 9, 1902.

C.M.

Miss Hattie D. Alexander,
Wetumka, Ind. Ter.

Dear Madam:

I enclose, herewith, warrant for your services as teacher of Middle Creek neighborhood school, for quarter ending June 30, 1902.

Please acknowledge receipt of same on the foot of this letter of transmittal and return it to this office.

Yours truly,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

Wetumka, I.T., Dec. 1902.

I hereby acknowledge receipt of warrant for the sum of \$54.00, for services rendered the Creek Nation as teacher of Middle Creek neighborhood school, for the quarter ending June 30, 1902.

Muskogee, I.T., Dec. 9, 1902.

Hon. Henry Ansley,

South McAlester, I.T.

Dear Sir:-

In forwarding the certified copy of the Eufaula Resolution of the Representatives of the Indian Nations, I think you have done about all that can be profitably done at present. However, it would be well enough to proceed with the pamphlet for use hereafter. I am not of the opinion that immediate action will be taken on the statehood question as is feared. In the event the Senate does take action there will be changes made which will carry it back to the House, and the pamphlet will be useful in such event. I am glad you sent the Resolution to D.C. McCurtain because he will give it his immediate attention and represent all of the Nations in the matter.

I see the Cherokee Nation has appointed a delegation and so have the Creeks and I believe unitedly they will be able to prevent any action by Congress until a fair hearing can be given.

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief,
Creek Nation.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief. Letter 344. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Muskogee, I.T. Dec. 12, 1902.

Hon. E. A. Hitchcock,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:-

Your telegram of this date received relative to the employment of Mr. A. P. Murphy.

Will you kindly oblige me by the next mail with information as to whether or not the act, approved by me on the 6th of December, 1901, and also the two acts, the one relative to the salary of the National Attorney, and the other relative to the payment of his expenses, have been approved. I believe this to be very essential in order that our official records may be kept straight.

In this connection, I desire to state that Mr. Murphy, who is now present in my office, advises me that he has on file in your office numerous endorsements as to his qualifications. He will, however, furnish me with additional endorsements, which I will forward to you, together with the contract duly executed.

Very respectfully,

P. Porter,

Principal Chief.

Muskogee, I.T., Dec. 16, 1902

Mr. Charles Gibson,

Eufaula, I.T.

Dear Sir:-

Your favor of the 13th inst. is at hand and in reply will state that I fully agree with you in reference to the creation of an Inspector's office. The Act was passed without much inquiry into the matter and it was so late in the council at the time it passed that it was not possible to return it to the Council for correction, and for that reason I approved the Act and forwarded it to the Department for the purpose of showing the Government that the Creek people are conscious of the necessity of some supervision and record of contracts to protect the interests of the Creek citizens. I doubt very much whether the Government will approve the Act, although it will have good effect for the reasons above stated, but should the Government approve the Act, rules governing the Inspector will have to be formulated and under such rules sufficient force under the Inspector may be provided to do the work contemplated in the Act.

I am always glad to hear from you and will be pleased to have you write me at any time in regard to matters that you may think of interest to the people.

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Principal Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief. Letter 348. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Muskogee, I.T., Dec. 16, 1902

Mr. T. W. Perryman,
Tulsa, I.T.

Dear Sir:-

I am in receipt of a letter from George McAfee, Supt. of Board of Home Missions, N.Y., a part of which is as follows: "I have to say, that the Board authorized the appointment of a committee consisting of Rev. A. Grant Evans, Muskogee and Mr. John M. Robe, Supt. of Nuyaka School, to consult with the Council and negotiate for the extension of the contract if deemed advisable." So soon as the Board makes such appointment, I will communicate with such Board to operate the Nuyaka Mission School until 1906.

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

Muskogee, I.T., Dec. 18, 1902.

Mr. A. D. Kennedy,
Okmulgee, I.T.

Dear Sir:

I enclose herewith, by registered mail, the warrant of Timmie Fife, as per order on file in this office. Please acknowledge receipt.

Yours truly,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

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(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief. Letter 349. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

In re Application for Executive Clemency
of Robt. Soldier

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,

Washington, Jun. 11, 1903

Hon. P. Porter,
Prin. Chief,
Muskogee, I.T.

Sir:

You are informed that the papers in the above-entitled case have been submitted to the Attorney General and by him to the President, and that the President, on Jun. 9, 1903, denied the application.

The case is therefore disposed of and the papers have been placed on the files of the Department.

By direction of the Attorney General.

Respectfully yours,
J. S. Esby Smith
Pardon Attorney.

Muskogee, I.T., Dec. 27, 1902.

Mr. D.M. Hodge,
Tulsa, I.T.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of yours of the 25th instant, and am glad to hear from you.

The appropriation to defray the expenses of the delegates to Washington has been forwarded to the President for his approval, but has not yet returned. So soon as it is returned, I will notify the members of the delegation. I would like to meet with Governor L.C. Perryman and consult with him about the matter of appointing another person in the place vacated by reason of the death of our esteemed friend Governor Isparhecher. It will be difficult for me to take time to go to Washington at all this winter, as events are taking it necessary for me to be at home, and you might speak with Mr. L.C. Perryman and find whether he would accept the appointment in the place of Governor Isparhecher on this committee, and if he expresses a willingness to accept, I would be pleased for you and him to meet me at this place, as soon as practical, for purposes of consultation.

Yours truly,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief. Letter 355. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

May 10, 1904.

Hon. Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes,
Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Sirs:

Having reference to your May 7th, (M.314), deeds numbered 814 and 815 drawn in favor of Josh Tobler, Creek Freedman Roll No. 467, was delivered to Dollie Stidham March 23, 1903.

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Principal Chief, M.N.

May 10, 1904.

Commission to Five Civilized Tribes,
Muskogee, I.T.

Gentlemen:-

The map of the Creek Nation made after survey, which we have had in use in the office, has become so dilapidated that it is practically of no value to us, and as we need one for the use of the office continuously, I make application to your Commission to furnish us with another one on canvas if there are any to be had.

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Principal Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief, Letter 356. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Muskogee, I.T., Dec. 29, 1902.

Mr. Johnson E. Tiger,

Okmulgee, I.T.

Dear Sir:

Your communication of the 27th instant is received. I find that your warrant for salary as Superintendent of Creek Orphan Home has not yet been delivered to you, for quarter ending December 5th, 1902, and enclose the same herewith, for which you will please acknowledge receipt.

Yours truly,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

Muskogee, I.T., Dec. 29, 1902.

Messrs. Mars & Cass,

Sapulpa, I.T.

Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of yours of the 27th instant, in regard to Creek School warrants, stating that you desire to know whether or not they draw interest from date of issue until paid. In reply, will say that interest is paid on no Creek warrants of any kind or nature.

Yours truly,

P. Porter-Prin. Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief. Letter 356. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Muskogee, I.T., Dec. 29, 1902.

Mr. B.W. Peel,
Bentonville, Ark.

My Dear Sir:

Your letter of the 27th instant is at hand and I hasten to reply because I wish you to hear from me before you leave for Washington. Your information respecting the Loyal Creek claim, while not entirely satisfactory, is encouraging. I would think that the face of the claim would be the only just compromise, inasmuch as the claimants have waited some thirty odd years for payment. Any other compromise would be an injustice and should not be made. I am glad the you think it will be paid, by some compromise at least, this year, because I feel that if it is not paid now, the claimants will not get anything. So soon as I can make arrangements, I will sent the delegates representing the Loyal Creek claim to Washington to assist you in the matter.

The report of the death of our esteemed friend and old Chief, Ispahcheer, is true. It is a calamity that he should not be permitted to live to assist in securing the payment of the Loyal Creek claim, but I think justice will be done. It is possible that I may be called to Washington at an early date and if so I wish to see you there.

Yours truly,

P. Porter.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief. Letter 357. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Mr. A. P. Murphy,
Crooker, Mo.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter and fully appreciate what you have said in reference to the matter of attorneyship for the Creek Nation. I have today telegraphed you that I have forwarded your appointment, as requested by the Secretary of the Interior. The reason I postponed it was because I thought best that you furnish me with such endorsements as were suggested, but since the Secretary of the Interior is satisfied that you are the proper man with suitable qualifications to fill the position in which this appointment will place you, I have forwarded the contract. According to the suggestion made here, it would have been agreeable for you to take Mr. Kevely into partnership with you, inasmuch as he is acquainted with the situation and the people and would possibly have filled the position acceptably. As it is, I am glad that things have taken this turn, because I am better acquainted with you, and your letter is sufficient guarantee to me that you are a man not only of ability but of high order of principle, which I could only learn by contact with you.

With this explanation, I herewith enclose two copies of the contract signed by both of us and forwarded to the Secretary of the Interior, and wish you to sign both of these copies and forward same to the Department for approval and direct that one be returned to me and the other to you.

Yours, truly,
P. Porter--Prin. Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief. Letter 358. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

December 30, 1902.

CHOCTAW, OKLAHOMA & WESTERN RAILROAD COMPANY.

RECEIPT OF THE GOVERNOR OF THE CREEK NATION FOR SECTIONAL MAP No. 2.

I hereby acknowledge receipt this 30th day of December, 1902, of Section Map. 2 of the Choctaw, Oklahoma & Western Railroad Company, covering its line of definite location in the Indian Territory, Miles 25 to Mile 50, beginning at a point in the S.W. 1/4 of Sec. 32, T. 9 N., R. 17 E., 431.4 feet distant N. 19°01' W. of the quarter corner on the south line of said Sec. 32; and ends at a point in the S.W. 1/4 of Sec. 36, T. 12 N., R. 15 E., 712 feet distant S. 46°15' E. of the quarter corner on the west line of said section 36, a distance of 25 miles; which map is filed in my office under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved February 28th, 1902, entitled "An Act to Grant the Right of Way through the Oklahoma & Indian Territory to the Enid & Anadarko Railroad Company and for Other Purposes."

P. Porter.
Governor of the Creek Nation.

Muskogee, I.T., Jan. 8, 1903.

Hon. A. P. Murphy,
Crocker, Mo.

Dear Sir:-

I enclose you herewith letters from Secretary Hitchcock and W. A. Jones, Commissioner of Indian Affairs, calling attention to defects in the Contract made between myself as Chief of the Creek Nation, and yourself as National Attorney. I enclose you herewith also a copy of such contract that you may note the defects.

You would better come to Muskogee at the earliest possible date that contract may be made and executed in accordance with the enclosures.

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

Muskogee, I.T. Jan. 10, 1903

Hon. J. Blair Shoenfelt,

U.S. Indian Agent, Muskogee, I.T.

Sir:-

The enclosed petition is forwarded to me, together with letter to you in reference to the matter of permitting the grazing of cattle on unallotted lands, with the protest of quite a number of citizens. I wish to say that for the coming season, in my judgment, it would be best not to lease any unallotted land for grazing, and land that has already been leased for the coming year, the leases should not thereafter be renewed for the reason that the land will become individual property of allottees in a very short time by being selected to make up the difference in the value of their allotments to the maximum share of each Creek citizen.

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

Muskogee, I.T. Jan. 9, 1903

Messrs. Lewis & Snyder,

Oklahoma City, Okla.

Gentlemen:-

Yours of the 7th inst. is received and in reply to your inquiry will state that I am not aware of any rule or law governing the matter as to the payment for lands condemned for railroad purposes through the Creek Nation. When the fee was to the Nation, it was proper that the appraised value by condemnation for right of way of railroads should be paid to the Nation, but since the lands have been allotted and the allotments confirmed by Treaty, as you will observe by reference to the treaty of May 25, 1901, the Nation would have no right to money belonging to the individual allottee, and I have taken the view that the equitable manner of meeting the situation would be to follow the rules laid down in the act of Congress entitled, "An Act granting the right of way through Oklahoma and Indian Territory to the Enid & Anadarko Railroad Co. and for other purposes." I mention Sec. 15, which provides that compensation should be made to the individual owner, occupant or allottee of said land and the tribe or nation in which the same is located. Wherever the right of way traverses lands already allotted, payment for the right of way should be made to the allottee. In case no agreement can be made, it should be done by arbitration, and in case either side is dissatisfied, then to be settled by the court.

Respectfully,

P.Porter,

Prin.Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief. Letter 385. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Muskogee, I.T., Jan. 20, 1902.

Mr. W. J. Crump,
Muskogee, I.T.

Dear Sir:-

I enclose you herewith letter in reference to Wesley Barnett, who is now in the Penitentiary, which explains itself.

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

Muskogee, I.T., Jan. 10, 1903

Hon. E. A. Hitchcock,
Secretary of Interior,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Refering to your letter of January 3rd returning to me the contracts with A. P. Murphy, as attorney for this Nation, for correction, with enclosure of letter from the Commissioner of Indian Affairs stating his objections thereto, I herewith enclose contract with these objections eliminated.

Trusting you will approve the same at an early date and return a copy to each of us,

Very truly yours,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief Muskogee Nation.

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Muskogee, I.T., Jan. 10, 1903.

Hon. J. Blair Schoenfelt,

U.S. Indian Agent, Muskogee, I.T.

Sir:-

I understand that from the collection of revenues made by Inspector Mr. Guy P. Cobb, there is now available in cash some nineteen thousand dollars; and that there is to the credit of the Creek Nation on account of dues under treaty stipulations, some sixty-one thousand dollars, which amounts together would be something near eighty thousand dollars. The outstanding indebtedness of the Creek Nation is in excess of this amount, and if only sixty-one thousand were paid it will be very disappointing to holders of Creek warrants, and I would suggest that at least fifteen thousand of this nineteen thousand dollars be added to the amount to be paid on warrants in order that the indebtedness of the Nation may be reduced so that the discount on warrants may be likewise reduced.

I would respectfully request that you make this suggestion to the Department and ask their permission to pay out at least fifteen thousand dollars of the money collected by the Revenue Inspector. The balance of four thousand dollars would probably be available for use for other demands of the Nation. In the event the delegation appropriation is approved, a part of it could be used to defray their expenses.

Respectfully,
P. Porter,
Prin. Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief. Letter 387. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Muskogee, I.T., Jan. 19, 1903

Hon. Cheesie McIntosh,

Supt. Public Instruction, Checotah, I.T.

Dear Sir:-

Complaint is made by Lambert Scott that the manner of conducting the Wetumka Boarding School is very unsatisfactory and that quite a number of the parents have withdrawn their children from the school. The cause of complaint as stated by him is that the rooms have never been properly cleaned up during this session, and that fires are not kept in a good many of the rooms and children suffer much on account of cold; that children are not kept under proper control for the reason that the Superintendent is a young man and does not seem to have the capacity of controlling.

I would request that you and Miss Robertson investigate this matter and if the charges are true, take such steps as will render the school more satisfactory to its patrons.

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

Muskogee, I.T., Jan. 19, 1903

Miss Alice Robertson,

U.S. Supervisor of Schools, Muskogee, I.T.

Dear Madam:-

I have just written a note to Hon. Cheesie McIntosh, Supt. of public instruction, to look into the conduct of the Wetumka School as reports have come to me that its operation is quite unsatisfactory to the patrons. I think it proper that you and Mr. McIntosh look into the matter and if the complaints are well founded, correct them so as to render the school more satisfactory.

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

Muskogee, I.T., Jan. 19, 1903

Hon. S. W. Peel,

Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:-

I am in receipt of your two letters in which you give the results attained in securing payment of the loyal Creek claims, and while the compromise, which you state has been made, is much less than the just dues to these people, yet it is my judgment that under all the circumstances it would be best to accept it and secure it at this session of Congress. I feel assured that you have done the best that possibly could be done in the matter and will try to make the matter satisfactory to the individual claimants. It is scarcely necessary for me to say that the changes in the personnel of the Senate, as well as the extinguishment of the tribal government, and the passing of the time within which the Senate agreed to act, would render the securing of the claim, at any compromise, precarious. And the loyal Creeks, at the dissolution of tribal government, could not be so readily dealt with as they become individual citizens of the United States, and the only safe course is to have the claim settled at some basis and the time of payment agreed upon, that is payment of two-thirds of the original award, is no doubt the best possible settlement that could be secured.

When the Senate has made the award, there still remains another bridge to cross, that is securing the appropriation at

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this session of Congress, which should be done by all means, as delay, you know, in paying a debt at the time agreed upon, makes its collection much more difficult, and after a year or two passes the Government will probably think it is a mistake anyhow and would not pay it. Would be pleased to hear from you as often as convenient.

Respectfully,

P. Porter.

Muskogee, I.T., Jan. 19, 1903

Hon. David M. Hodge,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:-

On Friday last I received a letter from Hon. S.W. Peel in which he informed me that the Senate had compromised on the settlement of the loyal Creek claim. Since then he has informed me that the report will be made today in the Senate by Mr. Jones, and then be printed and copies forwarded to me. I wish you to act in harmony with Mr. Peel, and I believe that the compromise, under all the circumstances, is the best that could possibly be made, and no objections should be raised to its being acted upon.

It is possible that after securing this amount, unless they are estopped from ever thereafter asking for any more under the law enacted, we may be able to secure the balance, but even if this is not possible, it would be best to secure this settlement because changing conditions here cool the sympathy of the Government towards the Indian people and if some settlement is not secured now, it is extremely improbable that any settlement ever would be secured.

I wish you would immediately call upon the Secretary of the Interior and the Commissioner of Indian affairs and ask that they act upon the Act appointing delegates and the appropriation for their expenses. There is a necessity for their being there, being only two others besides yourself, and to pay your own expenses it is necessary that the appropriation be approved, and

--P.Porter press book. ltr 393.--

no more of the money than is necessary will be used under any circumstances.

No doubt you have made plain the position of the Creek people, as well as the other Nations, on the question of statehood now pending. The resolutions passed at the Eufaula Convention fairly represents the wishes of the Indian people, and I trust you will diligently keep the matter before the Committee having charge of this matter.

Respectfully,

P.Porter,

Prin.Chief.

Muskogee, I.T., Jan. 21, 1903

Hon. Tulmochus Fixico,

Member House of Warriors Green Leaf Town,

Okemah, I.T.

Dear Sir:-

You are hereby instructed to call a convention of the members of your town at such time and place as may be most convenient, for the purpose of holding an election to fill the vacancy caused by reason of the death of Victor Wesley, former member of the House of Kings from your town.

When such election is held, you will be required by the members of the House of Warriors to give the person elected the proper certificate of election to sit in the House of Kings in the Creek Council.

Given under my hand and seal this 21st day of January, 1903.

P.Porter,

Prin.Chief.

Muskogee, I.T., Jan. 21, 1903

Mr. S.W. Brown,

Sepulpa, I.T.

Dear Sir:-

I am in receipt of your letter of the 19th inst. in which you indicate a willingness to be appointed in the place of Isparher^c as Delegate to represent the Loyal Creeks. I have determined that before appointing any person, it would be best for me to be sure the Act authorizing the appointment and forwarded to the President for approval has been approved. Again, I could only appoint such person as the Loyal Creeks in convention would recommend to me. As soon as I learn that the Act has been approved by the President I will consider the matter of appointing some one to take his place. It seems probable that it will be too late to appoint any one as the session of Congress will be over in a little over a month.

I learned from Mr. Peel that the committee on Indian Affairs of the Senate had agreed to compromise the award to the Loyal Creeks and they have reported to the Senate the compromise, agreeing to pay to the loyal Creeks \$1,236,830.41. It will require an appropriation but the award will be final I think it is the best to accept the compromise as it is probably that we will never get so favorable a settlement again.

I will be pleased to hear from you at any time.

Respectfully,

P. Porter,
Prin. Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief. Letter 399. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Permit to Operate a Ferry Boat

Know all men by these presents; That Sam Chissoe; a citizen of the Creek Nation, in the Western District, is hereby duly authorized to own, operate, and control, a Ferry Boat plying on the Verdigris River for the purpose of carrying passengers and freight, back and forth across said River, from points located and situated on the said Verdigris River, and described as follows:- From a point on the East Section line running, across said River to a point, on the opposite bank, all the points mentioned being located in the N.E. 1/4 of the N.E. 1/4 of section 5. Township 16. Range 18. which land is owned and controlled by the said Sam Chissoe.

It is further authorized that the said Sam Chissoe has been granted the absolute and exclusive rights, and privileges, to own, operate, and control, said Ferry Boat on said River too and between the points as previously set out in this instrument, and that all other persons are warned and prohibited, from operating or controlling any Ferry Boat plying on the said River, from the points on the Section line as above described.

It is further authorized, that the said Sam Chissoe may charge a reasonable fee, for carrying such passengers and freight across, said River on the Ferry Boat owned, operated, and controlled by him, plying too and between the points as before described in this instrument.

P.Porter, Prin.Chief.Muskogee Na.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief. Letter 400. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Muskogee, I.T., Jan. 27, 1903

Mrs. Melissa Wiley,

Okmulgee, I.T.

Dear Madam:-

Yours of Jan. 23rd asking information as regards John Morgan and family who have again entered upon your premises after being removed by the police, he alleges by my permission, and in answer I have this to say. The young man came here and stated to me that he and family had been expelled from their home built by themselves and his mother was sick and the family out of doors, and the house from which they had been expelled was built by them and was vacant. In reply to his statements, I said to him that if the house was vacant and they were out in the weather and no person to stop them from taking shelter, that I would do so. This gave him no permission to resist taking possession by the proper owners of the premises. I would have no such authority under any circumstances and you may be authorized to say to the parties in possession of your allotment there is no authority from me to retain possession and Mr. Morgan should give you immediate possession.

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief. Letter 402. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Muskogee, I.T., March 18, 1903

Gov. Green McCurtain,
Prin. Chief Choctaw Nation,
Sans Bois, I.T.

Sir:-

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of yours of the 14th inst. The suggestions made therein are entirely in accord with my own views in the matter. I would suggest that after hearing from the Chiefs of the other Nations, that you call a convention of the Chiefs for the purpose of a conference, at some early date, and should it be determined that the Indian Nations themselves propose a plan upon which to organize a government for the territory embraced by them, in my judgment it would be best for them to make considerable time in order to lay the foundations of government on such a broad basis as will embrace not only the present interests of the people of the Indian Territory, but the interests that the growing possibility of a state would make necessary.

At the conference of the Chiefs, when called by you, the question as to whether we would better attempt it distinctively as an Indian people, looking to the broader interests of the future citizens of the state, caring for all alike, should be considered. The thought suggests itself that after agreeing among ourselves on a proposed state constitution embracing our territory, had we not better confer with the residents of our

--P. Porter press book. 1tr. 408.--

territory not Indian, and with a view of embracing the interests of all the people of the territory in the organization of the proposed state.

Thanking you for your kindly suggestions and assuring you of my hearty co-operation in the subject matter of your letter, I am,

Very respectfully,

P.Porter,

Prin.Chief.Creek Nation.

Muskogee, I.T., March 16, 1903.

Hon. E. A. Hitchcock,
Secretary of the Interior,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:-

I am informed through letter by Mr. Peel, attorney of the Loyal Creeks, and also D. N. Hodge, Creek Delegate and representative of the Loyal Creeks, that your Department holds, or is inclined to hold, that no payment can be made of the Loyal Creek Claim until they have signified their willingness to accept the \$600,000 appropriated in the Indian Appropriation Bill for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1904.

Some days since, I issued a call for a convention of the Town Chiefs of the Creek people, together with the loyal creeks, to inform them what had been done by Congress with this claim. Since then it occurs to me that it would be appropriate for me to request that your Department address me a letter on the subject of this appropriation and the views of the Department thereon. The people are very anxious to have a settlement of this claim and no time would it be of more benefit to them than the present time in as much as 95% of them have now received their allotments, and this payment would, in a great measure, enable them to enclose their allotments and put permanent improvements upon them. At least a large percent of them would be enabled to do so.

If it is true that the Department holds that their acceptance is necessary before payment is made, I would suggest that their

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acceptance be secured in the form of a general convention, which would fairly represent them, and their individual acceptance could thereafter be obtained when payment is being made.

The call convention referred to is to meet on the 26th day of March, and for this reason a reply prior to that time would be highly appreciated.

Believe me, Sir, to be,

Very respectfully,

P.Porter,

Prin.Chief--Creek Nation.

Muskogee, I.T., April 2, 1903

Hon. John Chupko,

Member House Warriors, Hutchwechuppa Town

Weleetka, I.T.

Dear Sir:-

You are hereby authorized to convene the voters of your town at such time and place as may be most convenient to them, to hold an election for Member of the House of Kings, to represent your town to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Sampson Yahola.

Respectfully,

P.Porter,

Prin.Chief.

Muskogee, I.T., April 2, 1903

Hon. Cornelius Perryman,

Member of House of Warriors, Big Springs,

Tulsa, I.T.

Dear Sir:-

You are hereby authorized to convene the voters of your town at such time and place as may be most convenient to them, to hold an election for Member of House of Kings, to represent your town to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Thomas W. Perryman.

Respectfully,

P.Porter--Prin.Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief. Letter 411. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Muskogee, I.T., April 2, 1903

Hon. George Canara,
Member House Kings Thlewale Town,

Dear Sir:-

You are hereby authorized to convene the voters of your town at such time and place as may be most convenient to them, to hold an election for Member of the House of Warriors, to represent your town to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Walter Gray.

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

March 27, 1903.

Resolved, that the town chiefs, Kings, Warriors and Loyal Creeks whose names are hereto attached, representing the Loyal Creeks of the Creek Nation, in convention assembled at Okmulgee, in the Creek Nation, Indian Territory, on March 27, 1903, by these presents accept and agree to the terms of the act of Congress approved March 3, 1903, and entitled -

"An act making appropriation for the current and contingent expenses of the Indian Department, and for fulfilling treaty stipulations with the various tribes of Indians for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1904, and for other purposes."

- and accept all of the terms and conditions imposed by said act respecting the appropriation of \$600,000.00 for payment of claims of Loyal Creeks.

Resolution expressing the hope that while accepting the \$600,000.00, in accordance with the terms and conditions under which it was appropriated, under more favorable circumstances the Government would see the equity of paying the full amount originally allowed by the Senate of the United States upon the Loyal Creek Claim.

Resolution expressing the confidence of the Loyal Creeks and the Creek Nation at large, in the integrity of the Honorable Secretary of the Interior, and tendering him their thanks.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief. Letter 414. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Muskogee, I.T., May 5, 1903

Honorable Secretary of Interior,

Washington, D.C.

Sir:

I am in receipt of a copy of your communication of April 27, 1903, through the United States Indian Inspector, in relation to the payment of the Loyal Creek Claim appropriation under provisions in the Indian Appropriation Act of March 3, 1903, together with an opinion of the Attorney-General thereon, stating that the appropriation of \$600,000 is conditional: the main condition of which is that it is necessary for the Creek Council, or the National Council of the Creek Nation to accept the appropriation, with all the provisions embraced in the Act of Appropriation before any payment can be made, either to the Loyal Creek claimants or their attorneys.

In the letter referred to, the United States Indian Inspector is requested to "confer with the Principal Chief of the Creek Nation and ask him to make a written report whether it is not advisable to await the action of the National Council at its regular session upon the acceptance of the terms of said Act rather than incur the additional expense of ~~an~~ extra session."

The appropriation made to pay the loyal creek claim was made immediately available in the Act itself. The reason for this was to enable the claimants to receive whatever their proportionate share in the award at the present moment, that is upon delivery of and being placed in possession of their allotment deeds so

--P.Porter press book.1tr.416.--

that they may apply it to the improvement of their lands. The money being paid immediately would, in a great majority of cases, protect them against ruinous leases, because they would have the money then with which to fence and improve their own lands.

And again, the rate of interest that our citizens have to pay for the use of money is not less than 10%, and should this payment be deferred to the next Council, it would probably be January, 1904, before the payment could be made, which would be in mid-winter and subject them to great inconvenience.

It is my opinion that the Council will accept without much delay, the award made on behalf of the Loyal Creek Claimants, which, if accepted now, would be a gain to our people in interest saved by the use of their own money of the sum of \$20,000. Other considerations added would almost double its value to our people were it paid immediately. The expense to the Nation will not exceed \$5,000.

I have therefore determined to call the Council, and have fixed the day of its convening for May 19, 1903, and in order to complete this settlement, I regard it as a necessary expense of the Creek Government, and therefore feel fully authorized under the Constitution and Treaty to assume the responsibility of calling the Council.

The United States Indian Inspector was requested by me to telegraph you that I had issued the call of the Creek Council for the 19th inst., and a letter explanatory would follow.

Respectfully,
P. Porter--Principal Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief. Letter 416. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Muskogee, I.T., May 5, 1903

Hon. President of House of Kings,
and Speaker of House of Warriors,

Sirs:

In accordance with the provisions of the Constitution of the Creek Nation, Section 2, I hereby, through you, call a special session of the National Council to meet in extraordinary session at Okmulgee, the Capital of our Nation, at ten o'clock A.M. on May 19, 1903, at which time and place I will lay before your honorable body for consideration such matters as I deem for the best interests of our people.

You will therefore take notice and give notice to the Members of your respective houses to be prompt at the meeting at the time and place above indicated.

Given under my hand and seal this 5th day of May, 1904.

P. Porter,
Prin. Chief.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, June 22, 1903

Hon. J. Blair Shoenfelt,
United States Indian Agent.

Sir:

In accordance with our conversation some days ago, I would thank you if you would place an Indian policeman at my disposal to be stationed at my office regularly and to be subject to the orders of the Principal Chief and National Attorney.

Very truly,

P. Porter,

Principal Chief.

Muskogee, I.T., July 9, 1903

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Honorable Dawes Commission,

Muskogee, I.T.

Sir:-

This office has no authenticated roll of the Creek citizens, and it is now very necessary that I should have an authenticated roll. The only authenticated roll now obtainable would be the roll made out by the Dawes Commission of such persons as they have adjudged to be Creek citizens and made allotments to them as such. In the delivery of deeds, it is very difficult, for this office, in many instances, to identify the allottees, although the certificate with other inquiries serve for such identification in most cases.

The Dawes Commission has promised that such a roll shall be furnished this office so soon as completed. Another matter that makes it of extreme necessity to have a complete roll of Creek citizens is the coming general election. Without an authenticated roll, the right to vote and hold office in the Council in many instances is brought into question, and in the event the election is close, to determine who is elected to the office of Principal Chief and Second Chief will be difficult.

For these and other reasons, I would respectfully request that your Commission devise some way by which such a roll of the Creek people by Towns may be made out and turned over to this office.

Respectfully,
P. Porter--Prin. Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief. Letter 423. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Muskogee, I.T., July 9, 1903

Hon. E. A; Hitchcock,
Secretary of the Interior,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:-

In my telegram of recent date, I informed you that at present I could not visit Washington as per your request, which I would like to have done. The correspondence in the Douglas matter caused so much misunderstanding that my visit would have only added more cause for rumor. And again, the business of the office needs my presence for quite a while.

The matter which I would like to receive the immediate attention of your Department is that of making the Loyal Creek payment as early as practicable.

The cause of complaint by the people for trespass upon their allotments by grazing of cattle on them, is being attended to by the U.S; Agent now with much vigor, and greatly to the relief of the Creek people.

The matter of greatest importance to the Creek people now is a period fixed for the closing of the rolls, and especially on account of so many cases where claims are made for infants to be enrolled, claiming they were born immediately prior to the date of closing the roll by treaty, which was May 25, 1901, and dying shortly afterwards. Most of these cases I have found to be without foundation in fact, but the discovery that they are not within the period in which they could be enrolled or that the evidence is insufficient, only encourages the manufacturing of evidence to have them enrolled. I do not think it would be an injustice

--P. Porter press book. 1tr. 424.--

to arbitrarily fix a period for closing the roll forever. This will have to be done before what constitutes the residue of land is applicable to evening up the difference in the valuation of allotments. So soon as the rolls are closed, doubtless the Dawes Commission will state the account to each citizen that has received his allotment of 160 acres at so many dollars appraisement, and if under the maximum valuation on \$1040, it will be so stated and the allottee will be given the privilege of taking land at its appraised value to balance the account, and if he prefers money, he will have to hold the account until all the assets of the Creek estate constituting money shall have been aggregated and then paid.

In the matter of the sale of portions of their lands by the allottees while it is undersirable in most cases, yet in many instances it would be for the best interest of the allottee himself, that is in the case of very old poor persons, all the members of their family having allotments, and also of deceased persons for the purpose of distribution to their heirs, the requirements by rule of the Department might be amended so as to authorize the Agent, or person in charge of making recommendations to your office for approval, to suggest an appropriate price per acre where the price appears to be inadequate.

In the matter of leasing land, while there are many cases of illegal leasing that have been adjusted, there still remain cases that are difficult of equitable disposition, but in such cases, time and experience will no doubt bring them within the control of the law, and allottees will receive the protection promised in our agreement.

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Should any other matter of importance relating to Creek affairs come to your notice, I will be glad to give such support to the Department as may be within my power.

Very respectfully,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

Muskogee, Indian Territory,

July 10, 1903.

United States Indian Agent,

Union Agency.

Sir:

Mr. Joe C. Smith a farmer living east of Henryetta informs me that the Indian Police are now driving one hundred and forty head of his cattle out of the Nation. He presents a letter showing that he is a farmer of good reputation and promises that in the future he will see that his cattle are kept upon inclosed lands. My desire in making the complaint was to see that the law was complied with and I believe that this will be an example not only to Mr. Smith, but to the neighborhood and he has my permission to return his cattle and keep them as required by law and upon further complaint no leniency to be shown.

He informs me that he did not introduce the cattle but bought and raised them since he has been here.

Very truly,

P.Porter,

Prin.Chief.

Muskogee, I.T., July 16, 1903

Gov. T. M. Buffington,

Chief Cherokee Nation, Vinita, I.T.

Dear Sir:-

At the Eufaula convention, one of the resolutions passed provided that there should be an Executive Committee appointed to represent their respective Nations in carrying out the purposes agreed upon at the convention.

At a call meeting of said executive Committee, only four of the Nations were represented, viz: Choctaw, Chickasaw, Creek and Seminole, and an organization perfected. As Chief of the Cherokee Nation, it was expected that you would appoint a member of that Executive Committee from your Nation.

I would earnestly request that you appoint such person and notify Mr. W. H. Ainsley of South McAlester, chairman of the Committee, of your appointment. It is very necessary that the work of the Committee be begun at once in view of the fact that opposing elements in the country are now organizing for the purpose of thwarting our efforts in securing statehood especially for the Indian Territory, at the time of the dissolution of tribal government.

So far as I am able to learn, the agreement made by the representatives of the five nations, is endorsed by the people of our respective nations. I can say with certainty that the Creek people and the inhabitants of the Creek Nation, in a large majority favor separate statehood and opposes uniting with Okla-
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homa under any terms whatever.

I hope you will act in this matter immediately.

Respectfully yours,

P.Porter,

Prin.Chief Creek Nation.

P.S. My attention has been called to this matter by Mr. Alex Posey, Treasurer of the Executive Committee.

Muskogee, I.T., July 17, 1903

Hon. J. George Wright,

U.S. Indian Inspector for Indian Territory,

Muskogee, I.T.

Sir:-

By reference to the act of appropriation for the current and contingent expenses of the Indian department, you are no doubt cognizant of the provision appropriating Six Hundred Thousand Dollars for the payment of the Loyal Creek Claims. One of the provisions of the appropriation was that the Indians should accept the appropriation "as full payment and satisfaction of all claims and demands growing out of said Loyal Creek Claim - -" Instructions were given that prior to the payment the Creek Council should express by resolution, or act, signifying its acceptance of this provision, and thereby give a full release of the Government from all liability on account of said Claim.

Another provision of the appropriation was that it should be immediately available. This provision was made so as to enable the claimants to have immediate use of their money in improving their allotments, or their proportionate share of the Creek lands. In order that this might be carried out without delay, the claimants being very desirous of receiving their proportionate interest in the claim, I called an extraordinary session of the Council and submitted the matter of acceptance of the claim as full payment to the Council and the council did, by resolution, accept in behalf of the Loyal Creeks the Six Hundred Thousand Dollars as full payment and satisfaction and release of the Government for all

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liability on account of said claim. This action was taken on May 22, 1903, and a certified copy of such resolution was forwarded to the Department with the hope that within a reasonable time the claimants would be paid.

The resolution of acceptance was approved by the President, and I was informed by the Assistant Secretary of the Interior, Hon. Thomas Ryan, that the United States Indian Agent for the Indian Territory, the Hon. J. Blair Shoenfelt, was designated as pay-master of said claim. I was thereafter advised that rules and regulations governing the matter of payment would be forwarded without delay and that the payment would be made. Very nearly two months have elapsed since the acceptance by the Creek Council was made, and yet no payment has been begun. The claimants, heirs of claimants and their legal representatives, who reasonably expected to have received their money before now, are exhibiting great anxiety about it and the country is rife with rumors as to the possibility of ever being paid. Our general election is to be held on September 1st and this delay in payment is having a very decided effect in breeding dissatisfaction among the people.

Instructions from the Department with the rules under which is to be paid, and the beginning of payment will have a quieting influence. The claimants are, from every view of the case, entitled to immediate action in the matter. You are in a position to understand fully why it is urgent that immediate payment should be made.

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I wish to express the hope that you will call attention of the Department to this matter in such terms as will secure immediate action. Trusting you will forward this communication to the Department with such additional recommendations as you may see proper, I am,

Very respectfully,

P.Porter,

Principal Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief. Letter 429. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

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Muskogee, I.T., August 29, 1903

Hon. J. Blair Shoenfelt,

U.S. Indian Agent, Muskogee, I.T.

Sir:

In order that the election may be held without any disturbances at the towns of Arkansas Colored, Canadian Colored and North Fork Colored, I would respectfully request that you detail a policeman to be present at each place at their election. The one for the Arkansas Colored Town send across the River at the Clarksville bridge; the one for the Canadian Colored send to Wash Charles' Spring on Cane Creek some five miles or more from Boynton; the one for the North Fork Colored, send to Pecan Creek near John Myers. Also send Lewis Hardridge to Big Spring election as he votes at that precinct.

I think this will be absolutely necessary and trust you will give it your immediate attention.

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

Muskogee, I.T., Sept., 10, 1903

Hon. J. Blair Shoenfelt,

U.S. Indian Agent, Muskogee, I.T.

Sir:

From letter of Hon. Tams Bixby, of date September 9th, 1903., addressed to Hon. J. George Wright, U.S. Indian Inspector, brought to my notice by J. B. O'Neill, Examiner of applications for sale of Creek allotments, it appears that the Dawes Commission has been notified that the Creek Nation will contest the rights of Ezekiel Moore, Jackson Smith, Rachel Turner and Gabe Moore, to enrollment as Creek citizens.

While I am not sure of it, I presume that Mr. Murphy served notice on the Dawes Commission to that effect. All deeds that have been issued, signed and subsequently delivered to Creek allottees, were for such persons as have been duly enrolled by the Dawes Commission, the only lawful authority to determine questions of citizenship that I know of. If since that time the rights of any person to enrollment have been questioned, it is within the sole province of the Dawes Commission to determine whether such questions, after the delivery of the deed, can be lawfully made. However, I presume this will be subject to appeal to the Secretary of the Interior.

There is no roll in my office of 1895 termed the "Doubtful" roll of Creek Citizens. In fact, there is no authenticated roll in the office of the Principal Chief whatever, nor has there been since the roll of the Creek Nation was made by the Dawes Commission under an Act of Congress. It is my understanding that the --P. Porter press book. ltr. 438.--

Dawes Commission has the lawful authority to pass upon all claims of citizenship of the Creek Nation made by any person whatever. If there be such a "Doubtful" roll in the office of the Dawes Commission, that would be of service to Mr. O'Neill in listing allotments for sale, I would be glad if the Commission furnish such roll, if it can be of service in protecting the property rights of the Creek Nation. Upon what information the rights of the persons have been questioned, is unknown to me and I have no knowledge of it but would suggest before passing upon it that time be given for me to communicate with Mr. Murphy, Attorney for the Creek Nation, on the subject.

Respectfully,

P.Porter,

Prin.Chief.

Muskogee, I.T. Nov. 9, 1903

Hon. J. Geo. Wright,

U.S. Indian Inspector for Indian Territory,

Muskogee, I.T.

Sir:

At the request of the merchants of the Creek Nation that the enforcement and collection of the taxes under the Creek Tax Law be suspended in its operation until the Appellate Court shall have passed upon the question as to its legality; I beg to submit what in my judgment this is a reasonable request and should be granted, as no material loss can be up to the Creek Nation should the decision of the Lower Court in the Buster-Jones case be affirmed.

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

January 6th, 1904.

The Honorable

The Secretary of the Interior.

Sir:--

I have been requested by Big Ben, William Lowe, Alex Lowe and Martha Lowe to address you relative to the alienation of a portion of their allotments for townsite purposes at Weleetka.

It appears that they petitioned to be allowed to alienate their lands at \$50.00 per acre and that the unrestricted alienation of said land, to trustees representing the residents of the town, was recommended by the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes. It further appears that the Department being apprehensive that the allottees were not competent to manage their own affairs referred the matter to the U.S. Indian Inspector for Indian Territory with instructions to notify the allottees to list the lands with the United States Indian Agent for sale under the regulations of July 10, 1903.

The allottees represent to me that their lands are not worth \$50.00 per acre, the amount they were to receive, and that they would not bring more than that price if advertised for bids unless some bidder would calculate on confiscating the improvements which belong to other parties.

I think the desire of these allottees to keep faith with the parties who own the improvements is commendable and I believe they should be given the right of unrestricted alienation for which they have petitioned. I have known all of the allottees, particularly Big Ben and William Lowe, a great many years and consider --P. Porter press book. ltr. 448.--

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them fully competent to transact business with safety to their own interests. Big Ben has always taken a prominent part in the affairs of the Creek Nation and served eight years in the Creek Council, four in the House of Kings and four in the House of Warriors. William Lowe is a man of mature judgment, thoroughly reliable and well known as being thrifty, careful and provident. Alex Lowe and his wife Martha Lowe are both of the younger generation of citizens, have been well educated and are bright and intelligent.

I certainly believe that the best interests of these people would be subserved by permitting them to alienate their lands in the manner they desire, and trust the Department may see proper to approve the petition heretofore made by them.

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Principal Chief.

Muskogee, I.T., Jan. 5, 1904.

Hon. J. Blair Shoenfelt,

U.S. Indian Agent, Muskogee, I.T.

Sir:

I notice in the daily press all section lines in the Creek Nation are to be opened for use as public highways as provided in the Supplemental Treaty; that you have established a road department and the funds of the Creek Nation are to be used for this purpose.

I would thank you to advise me to what extent and for what particular use, if any, the monies of the Nation are to be used, by what and whose authority as well as how and in what manner to be taken and paid.

Appreciating a prompt reply, I am,

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Principal Chief.

Muskogee, I.T., Jan. 18, 1904

Hon. J. George Wright,

U.S. Indian Inspector, Muskogee, I.T.

Sir:-

It has come to my knowledge that allottees, after advertising their lands for sale, have in some instances, leased their lands for a term of years, thus placing an encumbrance upon their lands before sale.

It will be seen that this would operate to reduce the amount bid on the allotment because all persons purchasing land would desire to have immediate possession of such land and full control over it.

I think that it would be advisable to withdraw from advertisement all lands where the allottee makes lease subsequent to the listing of his land for sale.

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

Muskogee, I.T., Jan. 18, 1904

The press seems to misunderstand the position taken by the Creek authorities in the matter of opening public highways along section lines in the Creek country. There never has been any objections on the part of the Creek people to the opening of public highways along section lines in their country, but they do object to the use of their funds for such purpose as is now being done by the Government. The provision for roads along section lines was proposed by the Creek delegates themselves and inserted in the Supplemental Treaty, Article 10, which reads as follows:

"Public highways or roads 3 rods in width, being one and one-half rods on each side of the section line, may be established along all section lines without compensation being paid therefor; and all allottees, purchasers, and others shall take the title to such lands subject to this provision. And the public good, the actual value of the land taken elsewhere than along section lines to be determined under the direction of the Secretary of the Interior while the tribal government continues, and to be paid by the Creek Nation during that time; and if buildings or other improvements are damaged in consequence of the establishment of such public highways or roads, whether along section lines elsewhere, such damages during the continuance of the tribal government, shall be determined and paid in the same manner."

Each allottee took his allotment subject to this provision and every person making improvements obstructing these highways after the passage of the Supplemental Treaty, did so in violation of

--P. Porter press book. ltr 452.--

the law. It appeared at the time that some of the section lines would injure or damage the permanent improvements of a few of our citizens, that is by passing through their houses and orchards. This, the Creek delegates thought should be paid for by the Creek Nation. The cases were so few that it was thought it would not be a matter of any great expense, but they expected to pay for it, when complaint was made by the citizens and damages assessed, from appropriation made by the Creek Council to such allottee. The provision for payment where roads were made elsewhere than on section lines, was added in order to make reparation for damages done where roads had to be constructed diverging from the section lines on account of natural obstructions, such as hills, mountains and rivers, and such damages were expected to be assessed by the Creeks and payment made by appropriation of the Creek Council to the allottee.

So far as the reservation of three rods for the width of the roads is concerned, that is one and one half rods off each allottee land bordering on said section lines, that is dedicated and belongs to the public and no damages can be done to any person by removing obstructions that may be in the course of the road, but no expense of this kind was contemplated should be chargeable to the Creek Nation.

With this explanation I trust that the matter will not become a matter of controversy by the press.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief. Letter 452. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Muskogee, I.T., Jan. 23, 1904

Hon. J. George Wright,

U.S. Indian Inspector, Muskogee, I.T.

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your communication of November 17, 1903, enclosing a letter from the United States Indian Agent addressed to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs dated November 14, 1903, forwarding a notice addressed to him by the Attorneys of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railroad, in the matter of the claim of said railroad company to every alternate section of land along its line of railway through the Indian Territory for a distance of ten miles on each side of the said line, and protesting against the sale or leasing of any such land, and asking for an expression of my views in regard to the matter.

It is hardly necessary for me to enter into a discussion of the matter as to whether said railroad company has any claim or not to lands along its line of railway through the Indian Territory other than its right of way. I can only say that so far as the Creek Nation is concerned there can be no foundation for a legal claim by any railroad corporation to lands owned by it and patented to it by the Government of the United States, which is the condition of all the lands in the Indian Territory belonging to the Creek people. The Creek Nation has never granted nor conveyed any portion of its land to the Government of the United States, the state of Kansas, or to any railroad corporation for the purpose of

--P. Porter press book. ltr. 456.--

aiding in the construction of railroads; and in the distribution of its land to its citizens, it is doing so by agreement with the Government of the United States.

I trust the Government will maintain its pledged faith in holding sacred the patents by which we own our lands.

Respectfully,

P.Porter,

Prin.Chief.

August 29, 1904.

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes,
Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Sirs:-

This office is in receipt of your letter of August 27th, 1904 giving description of allotments for Poh-la-tah-shee-nay Polecat and Ka-no-chee-shu-mar Polecat, Creek Indian Roll Nos. 9126 and 9127, deeds Nos. 13392 and 13393, and 13394 and 13395, with information that the allottee desired deeds forwarded to their post office address at Bristow, Indian Territory.

Under date of August 26, 1903, you requested that we withhold these deeds from delivery until further instructed, as there was some question as to their citizenship. Again, under date of March 23, 1904, you requested that deed for Nan-pe-chee Polecat be returned to your office, as the name of Polecat had been stricken from the rolls. Under date of April 19, 1904, you directed cancellation of the deed for Nan-pe-chee Polecat, and under date of June 1, 1904, you advised that the Department had indorsed its concurrence in cancellation of my signature upon deeds numbered 13390 and 13391, issued in favor of Nan-pe-chee Polecat. The other two deeds above mentioned are still held in this office according to your instructions of August 26, 1903.

Please advise what decision has been reached in the case of the two latter deeds, which you described in your letter of August 27, 1904.

Respectfully,

P. Porter, -- Principal Chief, M.N.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief. letter 457. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Muskogee, I.T., March 21, 1904

Hon. A. P. Murphy,
Muskogee, I.T.

Sir:-

I hereby notify you that your employment as Attorney for the Creek Nation, of date January 10, 1903, and approved by the Commissioner of Indian Affairs and the Secretary of the Interior on January 13, 1903, is hereby annulled in accordance with the terms of the contract, as follows:

"This contract shall be approved by the Honorable Secretary of the Interior, and shall be subject to cancellation by either party hereto upon thirty days notice for good cause shown."

Under this provision of the contract, either you or myself can terminate the contract, and for the following reasons, I, under authority in me vested by an Act of the Creek Council of date December 6, 1901, which is an Act for the employment of a National Attorney and for other purposes, do now give you notice that your services as Creek Attorney are discontinued.

My reasons for this notice of cancellation of your contract of employment are, that you have made statements representing the Creek Nation and with reference to Creek business with the Government of the United States, which, through investigations made by the Honorable Bonaparte and Woodruff, were found to be without foundation in fact, and a part of which report of investigation is as follows:

"We find with respect to these charges that Mr. Murphy had no special authority from the Creek Nation to file them on its
--P.Porter press book.1tr.458.--"

behalf, and that they were filed without the knowledge or consent of the principal chief, Pleasant Porter, and, so far as we are informed, without previous consultation with any of the constituted authorities of the Creek Nation. We find further that these written charges were either altogether unfounded or very greatly exaggerated, and, in so far as they had a basis of fact, arose from friction between Mr. Murphy and Mr. Douglas, for which we can not undertake to fix the responsibility." etc.

"We feel that our duty would not be fully discharged if we did not add to what is said of Mr. Murphy in our original report,

that he is, in our judgment, so much influenced in his recollection of events and his opinion of individuals by his very strong sentiments of personal sympathy or antipathy as to render his statements untrustworthy and to impair his usefulness as a public officer."

You are no longer authorized to represent the Creek Nation under the provisions of the aforesaid contract before the United States Government, or any of its Departments, or any other thing or duty imposed upon you as Attorney for the Creek Nation, and such acts will have no further validity, force or effect, and I will so notify the several Departments of the United States Government, and the citizens of the Creek Nation.

The contract directs that I give you thirty days notice, which is hereby given, and as there can be no further relation between you and the Creek Government from this on, you may, if you desire, take thirty days furlough.

Respectfully,

P. Porter--Principal Chief M.N.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief. Letter 458. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Muskogee, I.T., March 22, 1904

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes,
Muskogee, I.T.

Sir:

On yesterday I gave Mr. Murphy the enclosed notice annulling the contract of employment as Attorney for the Creek Nation made by me with him.

The purpose of this communication is to advise you that he is no longer Attorney for the Creek Nation, and no papers presented by him or any other person, as Attorney, in behalf of the Creek Nation, will have any validity or binding force on the Creek Nation unless signed by me as Chief of the Creek Nation.

Very respectfully,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

Muskogee, I.T., March 24, 1904

Hon. E. A. Hitchcock,
Secretary of the Interior,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

In the Indian Appropriation Bill, under the head of "Miscellaneous," pages 26 and 29 embrace the following provisions, "That said Commission (Daves Commission) is hereby granted authority to sell at public sale, in tracts not exceeding 160 acres to any one purchaser, under rules and regulations made by the Secretary of the Interior, the residue of lands in the Creek Nation belonging to the Creek tribe of Indians and now unsettled, constituting about 500,000 acres, and being the residue of lands left over after allotments of 160 acres to each member of said Tribe."

This is in violation of Article 3 of the Creek Agreement of March 1, 1901, which, among other things, provides "that 160 acres of land, valued at \$6.50 per acre shall constitute the standard value of an allotment, and shall be the measure for equalization of value, and any allottee receiving lands of less than such standard value, may, at any time select other lands which at their assessed value are sufficient to make his allotment equal in value to the standard so fixed."

The sale of the residue of Creek lands as proposed in the aforementioned provisions of the Indian Appropriation Bill, would estop the privilege of Creek citizens, who have allotments of less value than the standard allotment, from taking land to equalize their

--P. Porter press book. 1tr.470.--

allotments. This ought not to be done for the reason that quite a number of Creek citizens did not select their allotments, but were assigned to them by the Dawes Commission. Again, quite a number of citizens made error in selecting and have allotments not suitable for cultivation, such as rocky hill tops and over-flow land, such lands being less in value than the standard allotment, and would like to select lands out of the residue of land suitable for making a home.

Other cases they desire to equalize their land by selecting land lying adjacent to their present allotment, from lands unselected. I would suggest that this provision of the Indian Appropriation Bill be stricken out or modified so as to give each citizen of the Creek Nation who has not received a standard allotment a limited time in which to make selection of land to equalize his allotment before any of the residue is disposed of. Should this not be done, it will cause great dissatisfaction among the Creeks. I feel they have reason to hope that the terms of the Agreement will be carried out in good faith.

I trust you will call attention of the Senate to this subject in order that it may be corrected. I am,

Very respectfully,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

Muskogee, I.T., March 25, 1904

To the Honorable,

The Secretary of the Interior,

Sir:

I notice in the papers that a claim of some Six Thousand Dollars, in favor of the estate of William M. Springer, has been presented as an amendment to the Indian Appropriation Bill now in the Senate.

The Creek Council passed an Act authorizing his employment and made an appropriation for his employment at a salary of \$2500.00 per year. The President disapproved this act and when disapproved I notified Judge Springer that I would have no authority to continue his services, but gave him a statement of what the Creek Nation would owe him for the term of service he had rendered, which was some Thirty-five Hundred Dollars. That statement was presented by Judge Springer to the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs last year, and the Committee refused to allow it to be paid. The application of this Six Thousand Dollars is without any authority whatever and I earnestly request that you call attention of the Committee to the facts in the case. The records of the Department will show the true status of the case, and no doubt the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs has a record also.

I respectfully request that you call the committee's attention to this matter that Creek interests be protected.

Respectfully,
P. Porter--Prin. Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief. Letter 472. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Muskogee, I.T., March 29, 1904

Commission to Five Civilized Tribes,

Muskogee, I.T.

Sirs:-

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your communication of the 26th inst., relative to the matter of A. P. Murphy's right to appear before your Commission as Attorney for the Creek Nation, under the terms of his contract with me as Principal Chief of the Creek Nation.

In reply I wish to state that under the contract Mr. Murphy, after having received my notice of the cancellation of his contract, has no authority whatever to represent the Creek Nation before the Dawes Commission in any matter whatever, and any act or thing done by him will not be binding on the Creek Nation.

The Act of the Creek Council of December 6, 1901, provides for the appointment of an Attorney or firm of attorneys, and provides also for the cancellation of their contract by the Principal Chief. It makes no special provision to retain any one attorney. I did not understand that the question was submitted to you for decision, but simply to inquire whether you could permit him to appear before you after the contract had been cancelled.

With this notice, I am,

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief M.N.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief. Letter 473. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Muskogee, I.T., April 6, 1904

Mr. W. Scott Smith,

Private Secretary, Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:-

My action in cancelling the contract with Mr. Murphy and giving him thirty days' notice was forwarded to the Secretary of the Interior on March 22, 1904. I have no information as to how the suggestion in reference to the appointment of an Attorney after the expiration of the thirty days, is regarded by the Secretary. An Attorney by the name of Mott has been recommended to the Secretary, to whom, in the event it is thought best to have a permanent Attorney, I have promised to give the place. Mr. Murphy's time expires on the 21st of this month. I would like for you to give me such advice as you think proper for me to take in the premises.

Of course you are acquainted with the fact that Mr. Murphy has notified me that he intends to stand on his contract and expects to get the salary. I have had him do no service and do not propose to. Of course if he persists in it, it may go to the courts on the question of salary. As far as I am concerned, I do not intend to issue any warrants to him for salary or any other expense attending his office, after the 21st day of April 1904.

An early reply with such suggestions as you may think are advisable, will be highly appreciated.

Respectfully,
P. Porter,
Prin. Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief. Letter 474. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Muskogee, I.T., April 22, 1904

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To the Honorable

The Secretary of the Interior,

Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:-

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your communication of the 13th inst., in regard to the employment of an Attorney for the Creek Nation. The statements made in your letter in reference to appointing an Attorney for the Creek Nation upon the dismissal of A. P. Murphy are correct so far as they go, but I remember very distinctly of further stating to you that in case matters effecting the general interest of the Nation should make necessary the appointment of an Attorney that I would make such appointment temporarily, but in all cases, subject to your approval. This is exact, and I think you will remember it when your attention is thus called to it.

Now, I have no reconciliations to make; I adhere to this statement, and wrote to your private secretary a letter, a copy of which is herewith enclosed, verifying the statements that I made to you verbally. Again, I enclose herewith a letter written to Ex-Senator Marion Butler, which is in accordance with the statements made to you. There is no contradiction whatever in the position taken by me, nor neither will there be. You will see in my letter to Senator Butler that I was willing to appoint Mr. Mott with your approval when I needed an Attorney.

Now, to maintain the interests of the Nation, it is clear to me that a temporary Attorney is needed. Within the last month there are thirteen cases of citizenship, some involving quite a
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--P.Porter press book.ltr.477.--

to the family, which have been re-opened on account of rulings made by your Department, and quite a number pending which Mr. Murphy had received notice of; and there is still appearing applications for enrollment of infants; Also, Mr. Murphy in his reply to me states that he would not be dismissed, that he would stand on his contract, and that will involve a suit against me representing the Nation for his salary as Attorney, even though he is dismissed. I have the confidence of the Dawes Commission adjusting all these citizenship cases with due regard to the interests of the Nation had they the authority and means to secure witnesses on behalf of the Nation. Again, there are cases affecting the interests of the Nation which doubtless will come up that will have to be adjudicated by the Courts.

Under these circumstances, I would be pleased for you to advise me that you will approve the appointment of Mr. Mott, and thereupon I will forward his appointment. The law for the appointment of an Attorney is still a law, and the fact of the removal of Mr. Murphy does not affect the law but only his incumbency, and in case of necessity, another attorney's appointment would be in accordance with the same law. I am,

Very respectfully,

P.Porter,

Prin.Chief.

Sept. 29, 1904.

Mr. L. A. Johnson,
Checotah, I.T.

Dear Sir:-

Replying to your Sept. 24th in which you enclose affidavit of yourself and your daughter, Joe Era Johnson. You testify that Laura A. Johnson who was the owner of Lot 6, in Block 17 in Checotah, I.T. died on the 28th day of March, 1903, that prior to that date Laura A. Johnson made final or full payment for said lot, that the deed was not executed until Oct. 10th, 1903.

The records of this office show that the United States Indian Agent certified to this office that full payment had been made and deed was executed Oct. 10th, 1903. There was nothing in connection with said certificate to show that the owner was deceased and this office had no information of the owner being deceased.

It is true that most authorities hold that the title of real estate passes only on delivery of deed and the grantee being deceased there could be no delivery. While the conveyances from the Creek Nation to parties to whom lots are scheduled are in fact quit claim deeds, they are more in the nature of patents from the fact that the United States Government and the Creek Nation require that certain rules and regulations be followed, after the grantee has made full payment (thus extinguishing all liens or claims of the Creek Nation) even to recording the deeds before it is possible for the owner to receive the deed.

--P. Porter press book. ltr. 486.--

While I do not attempt to advise you in the matter, personally, I am of the opinion that the title vested in Laura A. Johnson when she had performed all of the requirements due from her and that on her death such title as was due her immediately descended to her heirs, which according to your testimony is Joe Era Johnson, (her daughter). I do not like the idea of cancelling deeds of this kind because if I am right in my views many complications and wrongs might occur. If a lot is scheduled to A who makes full payment and thereafter sells and conveys to B and before the deed or patent is executed A dies, if the deed should then be drawn in favor of the heirs of A, the purchaser B, must be forced into expensive litigation to remove the cloud from his title from A.

In any case the deed could not be re-drawn in your favor, if the deed is re-drawn it must be in favor of the heirs at law. The Creek Nation or the Interior Department cannot undertake to determine who are the heirs. If your daughter is 18 years old and is the sole heir, a conveyance from her is as good now as though the estate had been administered.

If she is a minor the property cannot be sold, unless her duly appointed guardian can show that the sale of same is necessary for her education and the court directs that the sale be made for that purpose. I return herewith your letters and affidavits.

Respectfully,

P.Porter--Principal Chief, M.N.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book. Letter 486. Muskogee, Oklahoma.
General letters by Principal Chief.

Muskogee, I.T., May 10, 1904

Mr. M.I. Mott,

National Hotel, Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

I have this day had drawn duplicate copies of contract of employment of yourself as National Attorney for the Creek Nation, signed by myself. It is probable that you will have to come here before signing it in the presence of the Judge, and then return it to the Secretary for approval. However if it can be done, I will prefer that the approval be made immediately upon receipt of this contract. All three copies will have to be returned here for the certificate of the Judge. The rate of employment is at \$5000.00 per annum, as you will see.

There is great urgency for you to be present as there are quite a number of citizenship cases pending which are continued until the Creek Nation can appear by Attorney.

Trusting the matter may be facilitated and that I will see you soon, at this place, I am,

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief. Letter 486. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

May 24, 1904

Commission to Five Civilized Tribes,

Muskogee, I.T.

Dear Sirs:-

It has been called to my attention that the office of the Chief of the Creek Nation has no roll of the tribe. If your office is without one, I am well aware of the arduous work and labor it will require to have you comply with this request, but the very great importance of the work we wish to undertake on behalf of the young and unprotected will more than compensate any one for the labor expended. We especially desire this roll with a view of determining who are minors without guardians, or where they may have guardians but not such a one as is intended by the law and who are neglecting or wasting the estate. I do not know if it is within the province of your Honorable Commission to furnish this roll, however it may be, I will thank you most kindly for any aid or information you may be able to furnish me.

Very respectfully,

M.I.Mott,

National Attorney
Creek Nation.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief. Letter 439. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

June 15, 1904

Hon. E. A. Hitchcock,
Sec'y of the Interior,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:-

The Loyal Creek payment was in process of distribution at Eufaula, when it was suspended on the question as to whether the payment should be made under the laws of Arkansas governing the matter of descent and distribution or under the Creek laws. The question was submitted to the Comptroller of the Treasury for his decision.

It is rumored here that a telegram has been received that the decision has been rendered and that the payment will be made, when the rolls are corrected, under the laws of the state of Arkansas.

There are quite a number of original claimants to whom payment could be made without reference to either law. Is there any reason why such payment can not be made immediately? Information on this matter will be very much appreciated by the claimants of this character. Please make an early reply that I may be able to inform them.

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief. Letter 493. Muskogee, Okla.

August 13, 1904.

Dear Sir:-

You doubtless have been informed that October 1st has been set apart for Territory Day by the World's Fair management, and I take it for granted that you have or expect to take steps looking to a creditable representation of the people of your Nation on that occasion.

I would respectfully request that you advise me what your plans are with regard to this matter. In the way of a suggestion, I have thought it would be well for us to invite the members of our respective councils, and such other persons, ladies and gentlemen, of our Nation, who feel able to make the visit so as to make a creditable appearance for our nations.

I have written a similar letter to each of the other chiefs.

Let me hear from you as soon as practicable.

Very truly,

P. Porter,

Principal Chief, M.N.

Sept. 20, 1904.

Editor St. Louis Republic,

St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir:-

My attention has been called to an article appearing in your issue of the 16th inst. under the heading; "Murphy has reason to speak his mind." In this article mention is made of the suit for damages instituted by Mr. Murphy against Pleasant Porter, Principal Chief of the Creek Nation in which the charge is made that I dismissed Mr. Murphy without cause, and did various other things.

It is true that I dismissed Mr. Murphy, but I did so for good cause shown. He was appointed by me under a law authorizing such appointment and dismissal for good cause.

His appointment and his dismissal was approved by the Secretary of the Interior. All other things set up in his complaint has no foundation in fact.

Again, in the article referred to the assertion is made that efforts have been made to compromise the case. This is untrue. Whoever wrote the article must either be ignorant of the facts in the case or is trying to create public sentiment in Mr. Murphy's behalf.

I trust you will give this publicity in your paper.

Respectfully,

P. Porter.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief. Letter 516. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Sept. 23, 1904.

Hon. J. Blair Shoenfelt,
United States Indian Agent,
Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:-

Hon. Lahtah Nicco (Thomas Culler) a member of council from Tuckabatchee makes the following representation on behalf of himself and John, Dave and Anna Culler, members of his family, in reference to their allotments situated in Sections 12 and 13, Township 8 North and Range 9 E.

That one Jesse Self, a citizen of the United States leased for grazing purposes for one year only the allotments of the above, which was at that time enclosed by a wire fence. That said lease expired last year, and that Self persistently claims possession and has cut hay off the ground this year, and that lately the wire has been removed.

That Self claims the use of the land for five years which Culler denies and says he has given no lease on the land.

Will you kindly look into this matter and notify Thomas Culler at Yeager, I.T. and Jess Self at Holdenville, I.T. of your action.

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Principal Chief, M.N.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief. Letter 518. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Nov. 7, 1904.

Hon. J. Blair Shoenfelt,

U.S. Indian Agent, Muskogee, I.T.

Sir:-

Wash Adams requests me to state to you that he will be down to pay the royalty on timber cut on public domain. It seems that a case has been brought in court regarding this charging him with cutting timber on public domain. He did not do so with any purpose of defrauding the Nation but is now finding that it is regarded as trespass and reports to the court, and depends upon your office urging his prosecution. I would respectfully request that you notify the Prosecuting Attorney that the matter can be arranged without any suit. Withdraw the suit and I will see to it that he pays the royalty necessary.

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

Nov. 23, 1904

Hon. M. L. Mott,
National Hotel,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:-

Yesterday brought your letter giving account of your interview with Secretary Hitchcock. In your interviews with the Secretary, call attention to each particular Act that you have in your possession, and discuss with him the reasons why the Creek people think it necessary to have the matters agreed upon and not arbitrarily legislated upon. The whole matter can be attended to so far as Agreement is concerned, by the Secretary directing the Dawes Commission to meet with the Creek Commission at this place. It would not take more than two weeks at the outside, and then the agreements made by the Commissions can be forwarded to him and by him referred to Congress with such endorsement as he may feel able to make, and Congress can take action on the same without having any delegation visit Washington, if the matter of expense is the principal difficulty in the way.

It is not the desire to spend money but a desire to have a thorough understanding on all matters with the Government that are now being made subject to change by decision of court or new issuance of orders from the Department. All the settlements made with the Five Civilized Tribes took shape under Secretary Hitchcock's administration, and our people have confidence in him, that

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he wishes them well, and while he is still in office, are very desirous that any matters subject to misunderstanding may be thoroughly made intelligible.

You will remember that the Council passed an Act, the purpose of which was to make agreement so that children born up to the termination of tribal Government, March 4, 1906, shall receive allotments of 160 acres each. If this should seem impracticable, it might be well, it being the wish of the Creek people, to limit the period of time to March 1, 1905, or a little later if possible in order that the work be finished.

I think it would be advisable for you to remain in Washington until you have pretty thoroughly understood what is possible to do. Be sure and have the matter of my issuing warrants for your pay attended to so that I may be relieved from the injunction of the Court.

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief M.N.

November 28, 1904

Mr. M. L. Mott,
National Hotel,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:-

In my letter Saturday, I omitted to say anything in reference to your desire to come back by way of Augusta, Georgia to see your family. It will be entirely satisfactory to me.

I wish you to stay in Washington until Col. Shoenfelt and J. George Wright reach there because the matters which have been committed to your charge will be decided after conference with them. Keep me advised on every turn our affairs take.

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

November 29, 1904

Mr. M. L. Mott,
National Attorney, Creek Nation,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

The allotments of the Creek Nation are only in part surveyed into forty acre tracts, and for this reason the boundaries of the homesteads are very difficult to locate unless by survey. Much difficulty is experienced by our allottees who wish to reserve their homesteads from lease or sell a portion of their allotment, in determining the boundary lines.

You will please call the attention of the Department to this source of difficulty to our people and ask them that this survey be completed into forty acre lots.

Respectfully,
P. Porter,
Prin. Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief, Letter 527, Muskogee, Oklahoma.

December 8, 1904

Hon. J. Blair Shoenfelt,

U.S. Indian Agent, Muskogee, I.T.

Sir:

Statement is made by Thomas Adams, Chief of Hillabee Town, that Mrs. Annie Baker did, in his presence, contract to liquidate or settle a mortgage made by her to Ben Lafayette on certain property, by renting to him the use of a certain allotment belonging to her son, Henry Baker, the description of which allotment is "S.W. 1/4 of S.W. 1/4 of Sec. 24, and the W. 1/2 of the N.E. 1/4 of the N.E. 1/4 and the N.W. 1/4 of the N.E. 1/4 and the E. 1/2 of the N.E. 1/4 of the N.W. 1/4 of Section 26, Township 11 N., and Range 16 E." Said Lafayette was to have the use of the land for one year and at the end of that time was to pay Annie Baker \$15.00 over and above the liquidation of the debt. Mrs. Baker made the mortgage and in lieu of same received goods. Ben Lafayette now refuses to return the allotment and also refuses to pay the rent in excess, or \$15.00, which he promised to do, neither will he give her receipt for the payment of the mortgage, claiming that she still owes him.

I would respectfully request that you investigate this matter and cause him, if possible, to return her the mortgage and pay her the balance of the rent, giving possession of the land.

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief, Letter 528. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Pleasant Porter to Marshall L. Mott,
December 9, 1904.

LETTERS AND ACTS SIGNED BY PLEASANT PORTER,
pp. 292-294.

December 9, 1904

Hon. M. L. Mott,
National Attorney, Creek Nation,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:-

I am just in receipt of your communication of the 6th inst. I am pleased with the full manner in which you have reported upon the situation of Creek affairs in Washington.

I wish you to especially present definite and legal objections to the scheme to interfere with the allottee's deeds made out and delivered under provisions of solemn agreement between the United States and the Creek Government. No further restrictions or encumbrances other than those already imposed by treaty should be placed upon the individual allotments of Creek citizens through legislation. The greater number of adult Creek citizens are fully competent to take care of their own allotments with out Government interference, and as the policy of the Government was to make them citizens, the sooner they are clothed with the rights, privileges and responsibilities of American citizens, the better it will be for them. The treaty limits placed upon the full control and management of their landed estate is amply sufficient.

An effort is being made by the Creek people to meet the changing conditions with all the courage and energy of any people subject to new conditions as they are now. It is unjust, ungenerous as well as false for Government officials to charge them with

--P.Porter press book. ltr.529.--

incompetency, laziness and criminality when they are making the supreme effort of their lives to maintain themselves and meet the situation. The charges come to us through the newspapers, and while it is enough for the venal portion of the press to do this, Government officials should not.

Regarding the matter of handling the residue of our land, insist upon the full performance of the terms of the treaty. No question should be raised as to the capacity of our commission appointed by us as they are fully instructed by the Council through the Chief. It is known upon our acceptance of the distribution of our landed estate and the dissolution of tribal government in 1906, that by amending the laws respecting the Indian people, the Indians of the Five Nations were declared to be citizens of the United States. Now, after they have received their individual share of their land and the time limit placed upon them as regards the sale, nothing should be done compulsory, looking towards the compulsory sale of any portion of their land, and to enact a law violating the sacredness of individual title to lands would be the greatest injustice imaginable and the height of perfidy on the part of the United States.

I would suggest that you pursue the course that you have been instructed by law and resolutions in your hands until you succeed, appearing before any Department of the Government, as you are authorized by law to do, until you succeed or until nothing further can be done before the holiday adjournment, at which time I would suggest that you return home as it is hardly probable that any legislation respecting Indian affairs will be perfected until after the holidays. Use your own judgment as to what time to return

home. There is much for you to do here, so whatever can be done, try and complete it before the holidays.

If anything further about which I have written you occurs to me, I will write again.

Respectfully,

P.Porter,

Prin.Chief.

December 23, 1904

Mrs. Louisa Tiger,

Wetumka, I.T.

Dear Madam:-

On October 15, 1904, there was a deed forwarded to you at Wetumka, by express for an allotment in the Creek Nation covering the Southeast quarter of Section 30, Township 10 N., and Range 10 E., upon which Sarty Dacon lives. Sarty Dacon owns all the improvements on the same and was entitled to select it for himself or one of his family. It appears that some one, I understand your former husband, filed upon it for you and for that reason the allotment was made out to you.

I am informed that you have no improvements whatever on the said allotment, and that Sarty Dacon has his home and some fifty acres under cultivation, and lives there.

Again I am informed that you have advertised it for sale. This would be a gross wrong to Sarty Dacon, were you permitted to keep the allotment.

Now, in order to keep out of trouble in this matter, which will surely come to you, I advise you to return the deed to this office and make your selection elsewhere, in order that Sarty Dacon may file for one of his children on his improved place upon which he is now living.

This will be handed you by Sarty Dacon.

Respectfully,
P. Porter--Prin. Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief. Letter 533. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

January 4, 1905

Hon. J. Blair Shoenfelt,

U.S. Indian Agent, Muskogee, I.T.

Sir:-

Tom Harjo, of Wetumka, I.T., makes the following statement, which is verified by the records: That Thomas Bruner filed on the N.E.1/4 of the N.E. 1/4 of Sec. 16, Twp. 9, Range 11 and the S.1/2 of the N.E.1/4 of Sec. 9, Twp. 9, Range 11 for his step-daughter, Losanna Bruner and on the S.E.1/4 of Sec. 9, Twp. 9, Range 11, for his wife, Mekey Bruner, who is the mother of Losanna Bruner, and both of whom have since died without heir. That Thomas Bruner had no children by Mekey Bruner; that Losanna Bruner was the daughter of Tiethluppe; that the only living relative and heir of Tinthuppe is a brother, Tommy Harjo, who makes the above statement.

Thomas Bruner, has without any authority of law and not being an heir of these allottees, rented both allotments to a man by the name of Houston or Osborne, a merchant in Wetumka. Upon a part of the allotment of Losanna Bruner is situated the graveyard of Tommy Harjo and his relatives.

This merchant at Wetumka who claims to have rented these allotments now demands possession from Tommy Harjo who is in possession and the rightful heir to both allotments. He requests that I make this statement to you and asks that you notify these parties to desist from disturbing him in ~~the~~ possession of his rightful property. Please give this your immediate attention as they may give him annoyance in the matter.

Respectfully,

P.Porter,

Prin.Chief.

--P.Porter press book.1tr.534.--

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(Endorsed) Union Agency press book. Letter 534, Muskogee, Oklahoma.
General Letters by Principal Chief.

January 4, 1905

Mr. Robert Bruner,
Member House of Warriors, Tumochussee Town,
Carson, I.T.

Sir:-

You are hereby authorized to convene the town of Tumochussee Town at such time and place as may be most convenient to the members of your Town, for the purpose of holding an election to fill the vacancy occurring in the House of Kings by reason of the death of James Deere.

Given under my hand and seal this 4th day of January, 1905.

P.Porter,
Prin.Chief M.N.

January 5, 1905

Hon. L.C.Perryman,

Tulsa, I.T.

Dear Sir:-

I write you on behalf of Mrs. Louisa Simmons in regard to a claim made by Jim Grayson as a Loyal Creek. Jim Grayson was a son of John Catcher of Hillubee Town and the name Jim Grayson appears on the Loyal Creek Roll as yet unclaimed. Mrs. Louisa Simmons is a niece of Jim Grayson and claims to be the nearest heir at law to the aforesaid claim.

Now, if you know anything about these claims, they request me to write you so that you can give them such information as you may have in the matter and if you are coming to Muskogee at any time, notify Willie Carr at Cerdolupi so that they can be here and see you. She thinks that Tom Adams would be one of her witnesses in the case.

Also Larte Bear of Hillubee Town, claims to be the nearest relative and heir of Loyal Creek claim made out by Rose Lahtah Harjo, and she wishes you to write Willie Carr what you may know about this claim also. Rose Lahtah Harjo was Larte Bear's grandmother.

Respectfully,

P.Porter

Principal Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief. Letter 537. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

April 12, 1905.

Hon. J. George Wright,
U.S. Indian Inspector,
Muskogee, I.T.

Sir:-

I am in receipt of yours of even date in which you enclose the Resolutions of the Commercial Club respecting the collection of what is termed the "Merchants Tax", and ask that I make any suggestions that I care to.

Upon the suspension of the payment of the tax until the courts decided whether the tax could be legally collected. I raised no objection to such suspension, but agreed to it.

Now that the Courts have decided that the tax is a legal tax and should be collected, I do not care to make any suggestions in regard to the matter whatever.

No doubt it will prove quite a hardship upon some of the merchants and persons engaged in trade, and it may be attended with a great deal of expense to collect, and it might be well to give due consideration to their petition.

The Creeks have no officer and no power to collect the tax, and the United States has appointed Revenue Collectors, and pay such collectors out of the amounts realized through such collections, and the question as to whether it would be of any profit to the Creek Nation is one that should be considered.

Very respectfully,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief. Letter 542. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

April, 19, 1905.

Hon. J. Blair Shoenfelt,
U.S. Indian Agent,
Muskogee, Ind. Ter.

Dear Sir:-

I am in receipt of yours of April 17th, enclosing Treasurer's check for \$250.00, in payment of rent for the use of Capitol Building at Okmulgee. I have endorsed it as per your request, so you can place it to the credit of the Creek Nation.

Respectfully,
P. Porter,
Prin. Chief.

April, 19, 1905.

Marshal Leo R. Bennett,
Muskogee, Ind. Ter.

Dear Sir:-

I have just received the herewith enclosed letter from Ben Grayson, now Janitor of the Council House. The care of the house when Council is not in session, by contract is in your charge. If the repairs spoken of by Grayson are needed, please have the repairs made so that it will be in proper condition when Council meets, and take it out of the money which was to be used in keeping the house in repair.

Respectfully,
P. Porter--Prin. Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief. Letter 544. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

May 5th, 1905.

TO WHOM ALL THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETING:-

This is to certify that I have this day appointed Hon.
George A. Alexander Townsite Commissioner to represent the Creek
Nation under a provision of Treaty of March, 1st, 1900.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL THIS 5th day of May,
A.D. 1905.

P. Porter
Principal Chief of the Muskogee
(Creek) Nation.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal
Chief. Letter 546. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

May 26, 1905.

Gabriel Jimmisen, King,
Arkansas Colored Town,

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

You will please call the voting members of your town together at such time and place as will be most convenient to them, for the purpose of electing to the office of Warrior of your town, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of the late Cajo Pond.

Given under my hand and seal at the Executive Officer in Muskogee, Indian Territory, this 25th day of May, A. D. 1905.

P. Porter,

Principal Chief.

December 8, 1904

Messrs. Bushing & Proctor,

Eufaula, I.T.

Dear Sirs:-

Replying to yours of the 7th in which you ask that the deed for the heirs of Jackey be sent to you to be used as evidence in Court for the purpose of establishing the heirship of your clients, whose names you do not mention, would say that as previously advised, this deed is now on hands ready for delivery but the provides (in effect) that deeds must be delivered to allottees, and in case of deceased persons, to their heirs, the acceptance of which serves as the relinquishment, etc. In the delivery of deeds to heirs this office requires that affidavits be furnished tending to establish who are the heirs, and in cases where there is a doubt as to who are the heirs, or different persons contending, deeds are not delivered until the court has determined who are the heirs and a copy of the finding of said court filed in this office.

You make application for these deeds that you may use them in evidence to establish your clients' heirship to Jackey, and your opponents may make the same request. It seems to me that the first requisite necessary is for you to establish the fact that your clients are heirs of Jackey, and can not understand how or in what way the deeds would assist you any more than any other property belonging to the estate of Jackey. It is out of the question for this office to grant your request.

Respectfully,

P. Porter, --- Prin. Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief. Letter 571. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

March 10, 1905

Commission to Five Civilized Tribes,

Muskogee, I.T.

Sirs;

I herewith enclose letter from Lousa Tiger which explains itself. It seems that she has filed on and received deed to the land on which is located the home and improvements of Sarty Dacon, and she is now willing to have the matter rectified if possible. If you can do anything for her in this matter please correspond with her, giving instructions how to proceed.

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

March 10, 1905

Commission to Five Civilized Tribes,

Muskogee, I.T.

Sirs:-

I herewith enclose deeds #21774-21775, Indian Roll #7044, in favor of Henehe Emarthloche. It is reported by Cad Wadsworth of Eufaula, I.T., that said allottee is deceased.

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief. Letter 632. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

May 3, 1905.

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes,

Muskogee, Ind. Ter.

Gentlemen:-

Herewith enclosed I hand you letter from Ottawa Cain and Bunnie McCosar. Some days ago I advised Cain and McCosar to procure the names of the babies of their town who were not enrolled, and to assist their people in having them enrolled. This letter this day received is referred to you for such action as is possible and proper.

Respectfully,

P.Porter,

Prin.Chief.

May 8, 1905.

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes,

Muskogee, Ind. Ter.

Gentlemen:-

Having reference to your May 5th, M-357- I herewith return deeds Nos. 8276 and 8277, Creek Indian Roll No. 8303, in favor of Joe Hayne, the same having been cancelled.

Respectfully,

P.Porter,

Prin.Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency press book, general letters by Principal Chief. Letter 667. Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Judiciary Committee

Okmulgee, M.N.

Nov. 24, 1903

To the National Council,

Gentlemen:

Your Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred the Bill proposing to amend Sec. 24, Art. VI, of Chapter 1st, Creek Laws, Edition 1890, have carefully considered the same, and herewith submit a draft of an Act which the Committee believes will meet the end desired; and the Committee recommends that the Act be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

T.J. Adams,

Chairman.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:
That Section Two (2), Article VI, of Chapter One (1), Compiled laws of the Muskogee Nation, Edition 1890, be and is hereby so amended as to read as follows:

He shall be present at the Executive office and shall serve under direction of the Principal Chief. He shall be subject to suspension from office by the Principal Chief for neglect of duty or misdemeanor in same; and in case of his suspension the vacancy shall be filled by appointment of the Principal Chief until the next session of the National Council. The annual salary of the said Interpreter shall be seven hundred dollars (\$700.00), the same to be paid in National warrants out of -----Pleasant Porters general letters.--l-a-----

appropriation made for that purpose.

Adopted Nov. 25, 1903

Roley McIntosh

Pres. H. of Kings.

Lee McNeVins
Clk.

Concurred in Nov. 25, 1903

C.B. Perryman,

Sp. H. of W. pro tem.

A.P. McK.
Clk.

Okmulgee, Ind.Ter.,

Nov. 2, 1904

WHEREAS: Sec. 9 of the Creek agreement approved Mar. 1, 1901, provides that "when allotment of one hundred and sixty acres has been made to each citizen the residue of lands not herein reserved or otherwise disposed of, and all the funds arising under this agreement shall be used for the purpose of equalizing allotments so that the allotments of all citizens may be made equal in value as nearly as may be in manner herein provided, and

WHEREAS: any proposal to dispose of any portion of Creek lands contrary to said provision of the agreement without their consent thereto first obtained, would be most extraordinary, and in effect subversive of that order and regularity of method pursued in other like conditioned transactions and

WHEREAS: the act of Congress of April 21st, 1904, "making appropriations for the current and contingent expenses of the Indian Department" &c &c, is clearly in conflict with said agreement and the known will and expectations of the people respecting the final disposition to be made of their surplus land, and provides no method of procedure in the execution and delivery of deeds of conveyance to would-be purchasers therefore----

Be it resolved by the national council of the Muscogee nation, that while the Creeks have not always made use of all of their lands after the manner of the more advanced communities of the states surrounding them, they have nevertheless always religiously regarded them as their most sacred, most valuable and enduring
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possessions fondly terming them "The life of the nation, the mother of the people." It has been always their policy to keep them "As long as water flows and grass grows" and they have never been known to take the initiative in the disposal of lands, but in each case where they have parted with territory, it has been the result of force and the superior diplomacy of the United States. And now when their once vast domain, by changing conditions has been reduced to the paltry amount of a little over 160 acres to the individual, it is their earnest desire and will that this their last remaining resting place be divided among them in strict accordance with the terms of recent agreements with the United States, and in no other way.

Be it further resolved, that it is the desire and will of the Creeks that after allotment of 160 acres to each citizen, there shall remain lands unallotted and not otherwise reserved, they shall be used as stipulated in agreement, for the purpose of equalizing allotments according to value. After all who so desire, have selected lands for the purpose of equalizing their allotments, if there shall remain any lands of the Creeks not so selected, such remainder may be sold in the same manner as individual allotments are now being sold, the proceeds to be covered into the common general fund of the nation for future distribution, ample time being allowed each citizen within which to make his or her selections. In all cases where lands are sold money recd from the sale of their lands, by installments will result in the establishment among our people of a system similar to that in vogue among the blanket Indians of the West, who are supported by periodical issuance of rations by the Government. Such a system

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will deprive our people of the immediate use of the money necessary to build homes, to purchase stock, and farming implements which are indispensable to every successful farmer, and which our citizens must have at once in order that they may, as soon as possible, assume the responsibilities and duties of American citizenship. Therefore---Be it Further Resolved, That it is the judgment of the national council of the Muskogee Nation, in regular session assembled, that the payment to our people of the proceeds of the sale of such portions of their allotments as they may elect to sell, in installments, will defeat the purposes of the Agreement under which lands were allotted to our citizens, and the policy of the Government to teach the anxious of this Territory self reliance and self help in order that they may take their places in all respects as free and unrestricted citizens of the United States a characteristic which more than any other distinguishes the American people, and places them in the van of modern civilization.

Adopted Nov. 2, 1904

James Smith,

President H. Kings.

Sam Grayson
Clk.

Concurred in Nov. 3, 1904
Alex Davis
Spk. H. of W.

Mildred Childers
Clk

Approved Nov. 3, 1904

P. Porter,

Principal Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--Pleasant Porters
general letters.--a-2-----

EXECUTIVE OFFICE.

Muskogee Nation

P. Porter, Principal Chief.

Be it Resolved by the National Council of the Muskogee Nation:

That it is the sense of this body that the interests of education in the Creek Nation is sufficiently subserved under the care and management of the National Superintendent of Public Instruction elected by the National Council and the Superintendents of the several boarding schools; that there is absolutely no need of the Supervisor of schools appointed by the Interior Department at a cost to the Nation of over Fifteen Hundred Dollars, (\$1500.00) annually: that the maintenance of the office is an unnecessary waste of our public funds; and that the National Council hereby respectfully protests against the further use and expenditure of any Creek National funds without an act of appropriation by the National Council, in the payment of the salary and expenses of the government supervisor as has been done in years past, and the Secretary of the Interior is hereby requested not to use any Creek funds in the maintenance of said office.

Adopted Oct. 21, 1903

Roley McIntosh

Pres. H. of Kings

Lee McNevins

Clk.

Concurred in Oct. 21, 1903

J. H. Land

Speaker House of Warriors, pro-tem

S. Hayes

Clk. pro-tem

Approved Oct. 22nd, 1903

P. Porter

Principal Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma. ---Pleasant Porters
general letters---a-3-----

October 21, 1903

Be it resolved by the National Council of the Muskogee Nation, that the National attorney A.P. Murphy, be and he is hereby instructed to at once institute and pursue investigations in the matter of the unauthorized use and expenditure of the Creek National funds for the suppression of the small pox epidemic as was made some years ago, and all other instances of the expenditure of Creek funds without an act of appropriation by the national council, and to take such steps as shall to him seem practicable for the recovery and return to the Creek treasury of all such sums.

Be it further enacted, that the said national attorney is hereby further instructed to proceed at once to ascertain such course as is most feasible for the nation to pursue, to bring about at the earliest possible date the closing of the Creek rolls of citizenship and the distribution of the surplus lands of the nation to its citizens in the equalization of their allotments, and the per capita distribution and equalization, as is contemplated for and provided for in existing agreements with the general government, and report the same to the adjourned session of the present national council.

Adopted Oct. 21, 1903

J.H. Land
Speaker pro-tem H. of W.

Concurred in Oct. 21, 1903
Roley McIntosh
Pres. H. of Kings

Lee McNevins
Clk.

Approved Oct 22, 1903

P. Porter,

--P. Porters general
letters---a-3-----

Principal Chief.

Nov. 19, 1903

EXECUTIVE OFFICE.
 Muskogee Nation
 P. Porter, Principal Chief.

Be it Resolved by the National Council of the Muskogee Nation:

That a special joint committee of five, consisting of two Kings and three Warriors, be appointed to take into consideration that portion of the Chief's Message which refers to the expenditure of Creek funds for the suppression of Smallpox and for other purposes, including the amounts drawn for the salaries and expenses of the Superintendent of schools for the Indian Territory and Supervisor of schools for the Creek Nation by the Interior Department without acts of appropriation by the Creek National Council.

Be it further resolved that said committee be and is hereby required to report with such recommendations as it may deem proper at its earliest convenience to the adjourned session of the present National Council.

Adopted Nov. 19, 1903

Joseph H. Land,

Speaker H. of W. pro-tem

A. P. McK.
 Clk.

Concurred in 11/19/1903

Roley McIntosh

Pres. H. of Kings

Lee McNeVins

committee appointed from the H. of Kings

Thomas Adams

Robert Grayson

(From H. of Warriors)

James Barnett

M. J. Sango

Jackson Dunzy.

--Pleasant Porters general letters.--a-3-----

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Indian Inspector

For

Indian Territory,

D-1335-'00
Act No. 14.

Muskogee, Ind.T., Dec.1,1900.

Honorable P.Porter,

Principal Chief Creek Nation,

Muskogee Indian Territory,

Sir:

You are respectfully advised that the act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on November 2,1900, and entitled -

"An act appropriating \$25,000 for the support of neighborhood schools, 1900-1901,"

- was submitted by the Honorable Secretary of the Interior to the President of the United States for executive action on November 21,1900, was duly approved on the 22nd ultimo and has been placed on file in the Office of Indian Affairs, at Washington.

For your information I would respectfully state that this act was the second or corrected one submitted by you and makes the following appropriations:

"Out of the school fund, \$15,868.40

Out of the Unexpended balance of the
appropriation for the repairs of the
National Boarding Schools, passed April 18,1899. 3.342.15

Out of the general fund. 5.789.45
\$25.000.00

Very respectfully,

J.Geo.Wright,
U.S.Indian Inspector,
for Indian Territory.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--Pleasant Porters
general letters.-----a-4-----

A N A C T

Appropriating \$25,000 for the support of
Neighborhood Schools, 1900-1901.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated, for the support
of the sixty-five neighborhood schools for the scholastic year
1900-1901, the sum of Twenty-five Thousand (\$25,000.00) Dollars,
as follows:

Out of the school fund.	\$15,868.40
Out of the unexpended balance of the appropriation for the repairs of the National Boarding Schools, passed April 18, 1899.	3,342.15
Out of the general fund.	5,789.45
	<u>\$25,000.00</u>

Said sum to be paid out in accordance with such rules and
regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior
for the disbursement of Creek funds.

A D O P T E D November 2, 1900

A.P. McKellop
Clerk

Amos McIntosh
Speaker, House of Warriors.

C O N C U R R E D I N November 2, 1900

Lee McNevins
Clerk

T.W. Perryman
President, House of Kings.

A P P R O V E D November 2, 1900.

P. Porter
Principal Chief.

ATTEST:
W.S. Fears
Acting Private Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Indian Inspector

For
Indian Territory,
Muscogee, Ind. T.,

December 6, 1900.

Hon. P. Porter,

Prin. Chief Muskogee Nation.

Sir:

You are respectfully advised that an Act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on November 2, 1900, and entitled,

"An Act Providing for the Appointment and Pay
of a Delegation to go to Washington in
the interest of the pending Creek Agreement,"

was submitted by the Honorable Secretary of the Interior to the President of the United States on November 21, 1900, was duly approved on November 22, 1900, and has been placed on file in the Office of Indian Affairs at Washington.

Very respectfully,

J. Geo. Wright,
U. S. Indian Inspector,
for Indian Territory.

A N A C T

Providing for the appointment and pay of a delegation
to go to Washington in the interest of the
pending Creek Agreement.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--

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That a delegation of three competent citizens of the Creek Nation be appointed, in accordance with the constitution and laws of the Creek Nation, to visit the city of Washington for the purpose of making suggestions to Congress amendatory, or to be included, in the Agreement between the United States and the Creek Nation, now pending in the Senate, as shall be provided for in the resolution of instructions to be adopted by the National Council. The expense of said delegation to be paid out of the general fund of the Creek Nation. The said delegation shall receive a per diem of seven (\$7.00) dollars per day, and the usual allowance for travelling expenses, and shall be paid for the time of service only; such payment to be accounted for by vouchers to the Principal Chief, who shall report the same to the National Council.

Be it further enacted, That there be and is hereby appropriated the sum of One Thousand Eight Hundred & Ninety (\$1,890.00) Dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to defray the expenses of said delegation, in manner as above provided, and the additional sum of Two Hundred (\$200.00) Dollars each for travelling expenses - in all Two Thousand Four Hundred & Ninety (\$2,490.00) Dollars.

Said appropriation to be expended under such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior.

A D O P T E D November 1, 1900.

Lee McNeVins
Clerk.

T.W. Perryman
President, House of Kings.

C O N C U R R E D I N November 2, 1900.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh
Speaker, House of Warriors.

Approved November 2, 1900.

ATTEST: W.S. Fears
Acting Private Secretary.

P. Porter---Principal Chief.

-----Pleasant Porters general letters.---a-5----

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Indian Inspector
For
Indian Territory,

Muscogee, Ind.T., Dec.8,1900.

D-1421-'00
Act No. 32.

Honorable P. Porter,
Principal Chief,
Muskogee, Indian Territory,

Sir:

You are respectfully advised that the act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on November 5, 1900, and entitled -

"An act providing for the pay of the guards appointed by the Principal Chief for the purpose of keeping order during the council, October 1900."

- was submitted by the Honorable Secretary of the Interior to the President of the United States on November 26, 1900, was duly approved on November 27, 1900, and has been placed on file in the Office of Indian Affairs, at Washington.

Very respectfully,

J.Geo.Wright,

U.S.Indian Inspector,
for Indian Territory.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--Pleasant Porters
general letters--a-6-----

A N A C T

To provide for the pay of the guards appointed by
the Principal Chief for the purpose of
Keeping order during the Council
of October, 1900

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated the sum of Four Hundred
Sixteen Dollars in favor of the following named persons in the
amounts set opposite their names:

Joe Haynes,	17 days	\$2.00 per d.	\$34.00
Willie Perryman,	"	"	34.00
Ben Wisener,	"	"	34.00
Sam Connell	"	"	34.00
Wily Johnson,	15	"	30.00
Sam Johnson,	17	"	34.00
Thomas Wesley,	17	"	34.00
Adam Brady,	17	"	34.00
John Coffee,	17	"	34.00
Bob Harry,	17	"	34.00
Sonny Jackson,	8	"	16.00
Nick Drew,	8	"	16.00
Foster Frank,	9	"	18.00
S.J. Haynes,	17	"	34.00

Being for services rendered as guards around the council house
during the October session of Council, 1900.

Said sum to be paid out in accordance with such rules and
regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior.

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A D O P T E D November 5, 1900.

A. P. McKellop
Clerk.Amos McIntosh
Speaker, House of Warriors

C O N C U R R E D I N Nov. 5, 1900

Lee McNeVins
Clerk.T. W. Perryman
House of Kings.

A P P R O V E D November 5, 1900.

P. Porter
Principal Chief.

ATTEST:

W. S. Fears
Acting Private Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
Office of U.S. Indian Inspector,

For
Indian Territory,

(Recorded page 1)
R.B.

Muscogee, Ind.T., January 10, 1900.

Hon. Pleasant Porter,
Principal Chief, Creek Nation,
Muscogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:

You are respectfully advised that the Act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by the Principal Chief, Isparhecher, on December 4, 1899, and entitled:

"An Act to provide for pay of salaries of the general officers of the Muscogee Nation,"

was submitted by the Honorable Secretary of the Interior to the President of the United States for executive action on December 26, 1899, and was duly approved on the same day, and has been placed on file in the Office of Indian Affairs at Washington.

Very respectfully,

J. Geo. Wright,

U.S. Indian Inspector, for
the Indian Territory.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE
MUSCOGEE NATION,

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Dec.4th,1899

I, Isparhecher, Principal Chief of the Muscogee Nation, do hereby certify that the foregoing is an act of the National Council of said Nation passed at its Nov. session, 1899, and approved by me in my official character on Dec.4th, 1899, and I do hereby submit the same for the approval of the President of the United States under the provisions of the Act of Congress of June 7, 1897 (30 Stats., 62, 84), entitled "An Act making appropriations for the current and contingent expenses of the Indian Department, and for fulfilling treaty stipulations with various Indian tribes for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, and for other purposes."

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto signed my name as Principal Chief of the Muscogee Nation on this the 4th day of December, 1899, and caused the great seal of the Nation to be affixed.

Isparhecher his x mark.

Principal Chief Muscogee Nation.

Attest:

H.M.Harjo
National Secretary.

Witnesses--F.B.Severs--R.G.Baugh.

EXECUTIVE MANSION,
Washington, _____, 189____
Approved _____

--Pleasant Porters general letters.--a-7----

Muscogee (Creek) Nation

TO PROVIDE FOR PAY OF SALARIES OF THE GENERAL OFFICERS OF THE
MUSCOGEE NATION.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSCOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated for the salaries
of the General officers of the Muscogee Nation and the Superin-
tendent of the Boarding Schools, each for the fiscal year ending
December 5th, 1900. to-wit:

For Principal Chief.. . . .	\$1,000.00
For Second Chief.	600.00
For National Auditor.	600.00
For Supt. of Pub. Inst.. . . .	800.00
For Priv. Secretary.	400.00
For Janitor.	150.00
For Supt, of Wetumka School.	500.00
For Supt. of Eufaula High School	600.00
For Supt. of Tallahassee School.	600.00
For Supt. of Creek Orphan School.	600.00
For Supt. of Coweta School.	500.00
For Supt. of Wealaka School.	500.00
For Supt. of Euchee School.. . . .	500.00
For Supt. of Col. Orphan School.	500.00
For Supt. of Pecan Creek School.	500.00

In all Eight Thousand Four Hundred Fifty Dollars.

Lee McNevins
Clerk of H. of K.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk of H. of W.

H.M. Harjo
Priv. Sec.

Adopted Dec. 4th, 1899

G.A. Alexander
Pres. of H. of K.
Concurred in 12/4/99
W.A. Sapulpa
Sp. of H. of W.

Approved Dec. 4th, 1899

Witnesses--F.B. Severs--B.G. Baugh
--P. Porters general ltrs.--a-7-2--
Isparhecher--his x mark
Approved Dec. 26, 1899--Wm. McKinley.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE #10
Muscogee Nation

Dec. 4th, 1899

I, Isparhecher, Principal Chief of the Muscogee Nation, do hereby certify that the foregoing is an act of the National Council of said Nation passed at its Nov. session, 1899, and approved by me in my official character on Nov. 25th, 1899, and I do hereby submit the same for the approval of the President of the United States under the provisions of the Act of Congress of June 7, 1897 (30 Stats., 62, 84), entitled "An Act making appropriations for the current and contingent expenses of the Indian Department, and for fulfilling treaty stipulations with various Indian tribes for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, and for other purposes."

In Witness Whereof, I have herewith signed my name as Principal Chief of the Muscogee Nation on this the 25th day of Nov. 1899, and caused the great seal of the Nation to be affixed.

Isparhecher his x mark

Principal Chief Muscogee Nation.

F. B. Severs
R. G. Baugh

Attest:

H. M. Harjo

National Secretary.

EXECUTIVE MANSION,

Washington, _____, 189__

Approved: _____

Muscogee (Creek) Nation

AN ACT

TO PROVIDE FOR PAY OF G.W.GRAYSON'S AND D.C.WATSON'S SERVICES
AS TRANSLATORS OF THE CURTIS' LAW AND THE DAWES-CREEK TREATY.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSCOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated out of the General Funds
of the Muscogee Nation the sum of Two Hundred Fifty-five and
70/100 Dollars (\$255.70) in favor of G.W.Grayson and D.C.Watson
for services rendered as translators of the Curtis' Law and the
Dawes Creek Treaty, in amounts set opposite their respective
names.

G.W.Grayson-	issue to C.E.Foley	\$135.70
D.C.Watson-		120.00

Said sum to be paid out under such rules and regulations as may
be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior.

Lee McNeVins
Clerk of H. of K.

Adopted Nov.25th,1899
G.A.Alexander
Pres. of H. of K.

A.P.McKellop
Clerk for H. of W.

Concurred in 11/25/99
W.A.Sepulpa
Sp. of H. of W.

H.M.Harjo
Priv.Sec.

Approved Nov.25th,1899
Isparhecher his x mark
Prin.Chief.

Witnesses F.B.Severs
B.C.Baugh.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

Office of U.S. Indian Inspector,

For

Indian Territory,

Muscogee, Ind.T., January 10, 1900.

Hon. Pleasant Porter,

Principal Chief, Creek Nation,

Muscogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:

You are respectfully advised that the Act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by Principal Chief Isparhecher on November 25, 1899, and entitled:

"An Act to provide for pay of G.W. Grayson's and D. C.

Watson's services as translators of the Curtis

Law and the Dawes-Creek Treaty,"

was submitted by the Honorable Secretary of the Interior to the President of the United States for executive action on December 26, 1899, and was duly approved on the same day, and has been placed on file in the Office of Indian Affairs at Washington.

Very respectfully,

J. Geo. Wright,

U.S. Indian Inspector, for
the Indian Territory.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Muscogee Nation,

P.Porter, Principal Chief.

October 22, 1900.

The National Council

of the Muskogee Nation.

GENTLEMEN:

I herewith transmit you list of Creek Indians who have emigrated from Texas, and who are now enrolled by the Hitchetee town. This roll has been handed me by members of council of the Hitchetee Town. Provisions have been made in the now pending agreement for them to receive lands in the distribution now going on.

The purpose of sending you this list is that you may now pass a resolution formally recognizing them as members of the Creek Tribe. It is not necessary for me to make any further remark, as the Council has had the matter before them at its sittings heretofore.

Respectfully,

P.Porter,

Principal Chief.

ROLL OF HITCHETEE TOWN.

Members of above town heretofore residents of Texas, to be admitted to citizenship in the Creek Nation.

1 Billie Jackson,

2 Amy Jackson,

3 Cathie Jackson,

1 Lizzie Wilson

2 Charley Wilson

---P.Porters general letters.--a-9----

1 Lattie Thompson,
2 Charlotte Thompson
3 Cinda Thompson
4 Nellie Thompson
5 Philip Thompson

1 Joseph Wills,
2 Eliza Wills,
3 Tom Wills,

1 Dennis Davis,
2 Hannah Davis
3 Cinnie Davis,

1 Joe Blunt,
2 Jennie Blunt
3 Turner Houston,
4 Georgie Houston,
5 Jesse Houston,

1 Jeff Davis,
2 Eli Davis,
3 Emma Davis,
4 Moty Davis
5 Bettie Davis,

1 Alex Davis,
2 Tilley Davis,
3 Frenk Davis
4 Johnson Davis
5 Jim Davis
6 Nancy Davis
7 Jonas Davis
8 Adam Davis,

1 William Wills,

1 Sam Davis,
2 Amanda Davis.

1 John Blunt (Dead)
2 Lucy Jackson "
3 Fuss Brown, "
4 Warney Mingo "
5 John Davis "
6 Sallie Davis "

Quarasartee Town

1 Billy Thompson

Read & Referred to House of Kings

10/23/1900

Amos McIntosh

Sp. H. of W.

A.P. McK. --- Clk.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma. --- Pleasant Porters
general letters. --- a-9 ---

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

Muskogee Nation.

P.Porter, Principal Chief.

October 18, 1900.

The National Council of the

Muskogee Nation,

GENTLEMEN:

I herewith transmit to you a communication of Honorable G.W.Grayson of the date of October 18, 1900, verified by affidavit, asking relief through means of an appropriation to pay him for services rendered in translating and attending to the printing and distributing to the various towns the treaty of February first, 1898.

This office is of the belief that the claim of Mr. Grayson is a just and proper one, and there is no evidence in the office that he has ever received compensation for his work.

I would therefore respectfully request that you make an appropriation of \$112.60 to pay him for his said services.

Respectfully,

P.Porter

Principal Chief,
Muskogee Nation.

Okmulgee, I.T.

Oct. 18th, 1900

Hon. P. Porter

Principal Chief M.N.

Dear Sir:

Under authority of the action of the national council, the principal chief engaged my services in the translation and preparation for the press of the Creek Dawes agreement negotiated by the Creek and Dawes commissions at Muscogee on February 1st, 1898. In consequence of the fact that the conditions were such as required of me the completion of the work in the shortest possible time in order that it may be submitted to the vote of the people before the adjournment of Congress on March 4th, next ensuing, I was put to extraordinary expense and trouble in accomplishing the work assigned me. I did complete the work, and in printed form it was distributed to the various towns to be voted on. For this work, and unavoidable expenses incurred therein, I charge and ask to be compensated in the sum of \$112.60 and hereby respectfully request that you take such proper action as will result in my relief. I have the honor to be

Yours truly

G.W.Grayson.

October 18, 1900

United States of America,

Indian Territory,

Northern District

SS.

G. W. Grayson, being first duly sworn, deposes and says; that he was appointed by the Principal Chief, under act of the National Council, to translate the Agreement made between the Dawes Commission and the Creek Delegation, of February first, 1898; that in pursuance of said appointment he translated and prepared for the printer said agreement, and that the services rendered were reasonably worth the sum of \$112.60; that he has never received any sum in compensation for his said services, and that there is now due and owing to him the said sum of \$112.60.

G.W.Grayson

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18th day of October, 1900.

W.S.Fears

Notary Public.

November 1, 1900

WHEREAS it is currently reported that pupils are admitted to all the rights and privileges of a Creek citizen in some of the schools of the nation who are not bona fide citizens thereof, and WHEREAS it is contrary to the purpose and policy of the nation for others than Creek citizens to participate in the benefits accruing from the funds appropriated by the nation for the support of its public schools, therefore,

BE it enacted by the national council of the Muscogee nation, that the Superintendent of Public Instruction be, and is hereby empowered and instructed to make a careful examination of the pupils of all the schools of the nation as to the nationality of each, and their title to school privileges therein, and discontinue at once the further attendance of all such if any, as shall by him be found to be citizens of other nations than the Creek, and report the result of his investigations and action to the next annual session of the national council.

Adopted, Nov. 1, 1900

Amos McIntosh

Sp. H. of W.

A.P. McKellop.
Clk.

Concurred in 11/2/1900

T.W. Perryman
Pres. H. of K.

L. McN.
Clk.

Approved Nov. 2nd, 1900
P. Porter,

Principal Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--Pleasant Porters
general letters.--a-11----

EXECUTIVE OFFICE.

October 31, 1900.

The Committee

on Claims, Gentlemen:

The claim of Isparhecher for \$250.00 for money borrowed for the purpose of filing suits against the cattle men which was paid by him, the interest on which, if paid to October 15th at the rate of ten per cent. would amount to \$37.50, which should be added to the claim, which would make the sum of \$287.50.

Respectfully,

P. Porter

Principal Chief.

Committee Room

Nov.1st,1900

To the National Council

Gentlemen:-

We your committee on claims to whom was referred the claim of Isparhecher of Two hundred and 50.100 dollars for investigation; find that this money was borrowed from the bank and \$250.00 used to institute suits against various parties who were introducing and grazing cattle in the Creek Nation in violation of our laws. And that he has paid this note at the bank, with his own money. Now as it is National business and not his own personal business, the Nation should pay him the \$250.00. Therefore we recommend the passage of the accompanying act

Very respectfully,

Jas.Byrd,

Chairman

J.G.S.
Clk.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE.

October 24, 1900.

The National Council
of the Muskogee Nation.

GENTLEMEN:

I herewith transmit you draft of an act in relation to the employment of a competent citizen of the Nation as attorney to represent the Nation before the Dawes Commission during the enrollment of persons claiming the rights of citizenship in the Creek Nation.

Heretofore such persons have been appointed under authority of law by the Principal Chief and much difficulty has been met in giving them the necessary support, council not having made any appropriation therefor.

The Nation should be represented before the Dawes Commission, inasmuch as the Dawes Commission is empowered by law of Congress to determine cases of citizenship where applicants present themselves, and there being no one to represent the Nation, the applicants having learned the necessary proof required by the Commission to substantiate their claims to citizenship, some procuring such proof by perjury, and are adjudged citizens by the Dawes Commission, when, if the Nation were represented, no such occurrence would be possible. Also it would be necessary to provide the means to assist such commission, and the passage of this bill, or something embracing the same subject matter, is of the highest importance.

--Pleasant Porters general letters.--a-14----

I earnestly recommend that you give it your immediate consideration.

Respectfully,

P.Porter,

Principal Chief.

May 21, 1903

AN ACT.

APPROPRIATING ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS

FOR USE AS COURT COSTS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated out of the General Fund of the Muskogee Nation, the sum of One Thousand Dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to be used in defraying the costs of any witness or witnesses or costs of any character required by law in any court or before any tribunal or officer in which the Muskogee Nation has an interest or is an interested party. That upon the written request of the National Attorney setting forth the name of the person or persons to whom it is to be paid, the amount to each, separately, specifying the particular use or purpose for which such money is to be used, giving the name of the cause or style of the case or proceeding, the tribunal, court or officer before whom it is pending, or, in case of an original proceeding, in addition, shall set forth the kind and character of the action, the names of the parties, the court, officer or tribunal before whom the suit or proceeding is to be brought or filed, and, that such is necessary to a proper commencement, prosecution, defense or determination of such action or proceeding, the Principal Chief shall issue a warrant in favor of the National Attorney, including in one warrant as far as possible the expenses or costs in each case.

--Pleasant Porters general letters.--a-15----

It shall be the duty of the National Attorney to account to the Principal Chief, quarterly, for the use or expenditure of such money by duly verified vouchers signed by the parties to whom the money is paid, showing the amount and for what purpose.

The Principal Chief shall annually report to the National Council the amount of warrants drawn, for what purpose and the amount of vouchers or reports made by the National Attorney stating each case or proceeding separately.

All warrants issued in pursuance of this act are hereby declared to be preferred.

Adopted May 21st, 1903

Roley McIntosh

Pres. House of House of Kings.

Lee McNevins
Clerk.

Concurred in Amos McIntosh
Speaker of House of Warriors.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Approved May 23rd, 1903.

P. Porter,
Prin. Chief.

May 20, 1903

BE IT RESOLVED by the National Council of the Muskogee Nation:
That a special Joint Committee to be composed of five (5) Kings
and Seven (7) Warriors be appointed to take up the message of the
Principal Chief to the present session of the Council and also
the question of the acceptance of the Six Hundred Thousand Dollars
(\$6000,000.00) appropriated by the last session of Congress in
payment of the Loyal Creek Claim and report by act or resolution
their conclusion with reference thereto.

Adopted May 20, 1903.

Amos McIntosh
Sp. H. of W.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Concurred in May 20, 1903.
Roley McIntosh
Pres. H. of Kings.

Lee McNevins
Clerk.

Approved May 23, 1903.
P. Porter
Prin. Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--Pleasant Porters
general letters.--a-16----

May 22nd., 1903.

BE IT RESOLVED by the National Council of the Muskogee Creek Nation, as follows: That

WHEREAS the Congress of the United States in an Act entitled "An act making appropriations for the current and contingent expenses of the Indian Department and for fulfilling treaty stipulations with various tribes for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and four, and for other purposes," approved March 3, 1903, made provisions for paying the so-called Loyal Creek claims, and appropriated the sum of Six Hundred Thousand Dollars for that purpose, and said appropriation being made on the condition that the sum so appropriated should be accepted as payment in full of all said claims.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the said sum of Six Hundred Thousand Dollars, appropriated as aforesaid, is hereby accepted in full payment and satisfaction of all claims and demands growing out of said Loyal Creek claims, and that the payment thereof as directed by said act shall be a final release of the Government from all such claim or claims.

Adopted May 22nd., 1903.

Roley McIntosh

Pres.H. of Kings.

Lee McNevins
Clerk.

Concurred in May 23rd., 1903.

Amos McIntosh
Speaker House of Warriors
pro-tem.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Approved May 23, 1903
P. Porter---Prin. Chief.

---P. Porters general letters.---a-17----

May 22, 1903.

RESOLVED by the National Council of the Muskogee Nation:
That the Principal Chief be and he is hereby earnestly requested
to ask the Hon. Secretary of the Interior to locate his agents
who are to be entrusted with the adjudication of the rights and
paying of Claimants of the so called Loyal Creek Claim at Okmulgee,
the same being more convenient and accessible to a large majority
of said Claimants.

Adopted May 22nd., 1903.

Roley McIntosh

Pres. H. of Kings.

Clerk.

Concurred in May 22, 1903.

Amos McIntosh

Speaker of H. of Warriors.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Approved May 23, 1903.

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

May 21st.,1903

Be it enacted by the National Council of the Muskogee Nation:
That there be and is hereby appropriated out of the general fund
of the Muskogee Nation, the sum of One Thousand Dollars, or so
much thereof as may be necessary to be used in payment of salary
of an additional Clerk in the Executive Office of the Muskogee
Nation in payment of salary of an interpreter for said office and
for other incidental expenses of said Executive Office, said amount
to be paid under such rules and regulations as may be prescribed
by the Secretary of the Interior for the disbursement of Creek
funds.

Adopted May 21st.,1903.

Roley McIntosh

Pres.H. of Kings.

Lee McNeVins
Clerk.

Concurred in May 22,1903

Amos McIntosh

Speaker House of Warriors

A.P.McKellop
Clerk.

Approved May 23,1903.

P.Porter

Prin.Chief.

--Pleasant Porters general letters.--a-17----

May 20, 1903.

BE IT RESOLVED by the National Council of the Muskogee Nation:
That a special Joint Committee to be composed of five (5) Kings
and seven (7) Warriors be appointed to take up the message of the
Principal Chief to the present session of the Council and also
the question of the acceptance of the Six Hundred Thousand Dol-
lars (\$600000.00) appropriated by the last session of Congress
in payment of the Loyal Creek claim and report by act or resolu-
tion their conclusion with reference thereto.

Adopted May 20, 1903.

Amos McIntosh

Sp. H. of W.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Concurred in May 20, 1903

Roley McIntosh

Pres. H. of Kings.

Lee McNevins
Clerk.

Approved May 23, 1903.

P. Porter

Prin. Chief.

May 23, 1903

BE IT ENACTED by the National Council of the Muskogee Nation:
That there be and is hereby appropriated out of the general fund
of the Muskogee Nation the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred and
Seventy - eight Dollars and Sixty Cents (2578.60) in payment of
per diem and mileage of the members, clerk, interpreter and
chaplain of the House of Warriors during their attendance upon
the extra session of the National Council from May 19th to 23rd.,
1903, including the same to be paid in accordance with such rules
and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the
Interior for the disbursement of Creek funds.

Adopted May 23, 1903

Amos McIntosh

Speaker of H. of Warriors.

A.P. McKellop

Clerk.

Concurred in May 23, 1903

Roley McIntosh

Pres. H. of Kings.

Lee McNevins

Clerk.

Approved May 23, 1903.

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--Pleasant Porters
general letters.--a-17----

May 23, 1903

BE IT ENACTED by the National Council of the Muskogee Nation:-

That there be and is hereby appropriated out of the general fund of the Muskogee Nation the sum of One Thousand Two Hundred and Forty-six (\$1246.00) Dollars in payment of per diem and mileage of the members, interpreter, chaplain and clerk of the House of Kings for attendance at the extra session of Council from May 19 to May 23, 1903, inclusive.

Adopted May 23, 1903

Roley McIntosh

Pres.H. of Kings.

Lee McNevins

Clerk.

Concurred in May 23, 1903

Amos McIntosh

Speaker of H. of Warriors.

A.P. McKellop

Clerk.

Approved May 23, 1903.

P. Porter

Prin. Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.---Pleasant Porters
general letters.---a-18----

Committee Room

October 13th, 1904

To the National Council:

Gentlemen: We your Committee on Education having no special matter referred to us and believing that it is within the province of this Committee to consider such matters of importance relating to our national schools, have prepared a bill in the form of a resolution providing for the immediate appointment of a board of trustees, which we herewith submit for your consideration:

We your committee recommend that the attached resolution be adopted by your Honorable Council.

Respectfully submitted.

Jeff T. Canard

Chairman pro-tem Educational
Committee.

Clerk.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That the superintendent of Public Instruction be and is hereby directed to at once appoint a "Board of Trustees" for all our National schools, to be composed of three competent and trustworthy persons, one of whom may be a non-citizen, in the case where a neighborhood school has been established under the appropriation made by congress for that purpose.

----Pleasant Porters general letters.--a-19----

Be it further resolved, that the board of trustees appointed shall visit and make personal inspection of all schools under its supervision as often as it may deem necessary or at least once a month.

Be it further resolved, that the trustees be directed through the Superintendent of Public Instruction to make when necessary careful investigation of all accusations brought against any teacher for neglect of duty, immorality or inability to properly conduct and control the pupils,

Be it further resolved, that in the event any accusations be true and the trustees find it so they shall report to the said superintendent who shall take such steps (Sic) as he may think advisable to remedy the evil.

Be it further resolved, that from and after the passage of this resolution all teachers be required to have their quarterly reports endorsed and certified to by the board of trustees and that in case of failure the superintendent refuse to make requisition for warrant for pay from the Creek funds.

Adopted Oct.14,1904.

L.C.Tiger
Clerk, Pro-tem
House of Warriors

Alex Davis

Sp. H. of Warriors.

Judiciary Committee Room

Okmulgee, I.T.

Oct. 27, 1904

To the National Council of the

Muskogee Nation.

Gentlemen:

Your committee to whom was referred that part of the Chiefs message in regarding to an establishment of citizenship court beg leave to submit enclosed preamble and an act for your consideration and adoption.

Very respectfully,

Whig Murray,

Clerk pro-tem.

Bunnie McIntosh

Chairman pro-tem.

October 14th, 1904

CITIZENSHIP

REFERRED TO JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

Attention has been called to the fact that quite a number of people have been enrolled as Creek citizens and entitled to allotments who if their cases were fully investigated would be found to be neither Creek citizens by blood nor adoption. Quite a number of these were passed upon when the Court had jurisdiction over the determination of citizenship matters. The Creek Nation did not make an appearance in many cases and they were adjudged to be citizens upon the evidence presented by them. Thereafter all these cases were affirmed by agreement approved March 1, 1901. In other cases claimants procured false evidence and were enrolled and allotments made for them who died prior to April 1, 1899, who would have been entitled to allotment had they been living at that time. Doubtless in some of these cases, allotments have been made and deeds delivered to them, but it is neither the desire of the Creek people nor the Government to wrong those entitled to allotments by taking a part of their patrimony and giving it to those who have no right to it. Means should be instituted to investigate all these cases, and for this purpose I would recommend that you, by resolution, petition Congress to have a citizenship court appointed in like manner and with like power as has been appointed for the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations, so that it will enable the Nation to

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present these cases for full adjudication.

JUDICIARY COMMITTEE ROOM

Okmulgee, I.T. Oct. 14th, 1904

To the Hon. National Council of the

Muskogee Nation,
Gentlemen:

Your committee to whom was referred the inclosed message of the Principal Chief respectfully submit the following preamble and resolution and ask its adoption by your honorable body

Very respectfully

David Anderson

Chairman.

Whig Murray
Clerk pro-tem.

WHEREAS, when the law providing for the distribution of the lands belonging to the Creek people called the Curtis Act was passed the purpose and intent of it was to give each citizen the lands including his home, and protect him by law in its exclusive use.-and
WHEREAS, as the policy of distribution took form in the shape of Treaties or agreements the same policy was followed, it being specifically provided that each citizen would have the right to select lands owned and occupied by them, and in cases where any citizen had improvements including more than their pro rata share that they would have the right to select so much thereof as would be a pro rata share, and the balance so improved should be
---Pleasant Porters general letters.--a-20----

appraised, and any citizens taking appraisement were required to pay for the improvements thereon, and it was further distinctly understood and explained that this policy would not be varied from and that each citizen entitled to allotment would not be deprived of the value of his work even where he had improved more land than would be his pro rata share, and whereas, in violation of this provision many cases of selection were made by persons not owning the improvements on the improvements of other citizens and in a great many cases the Dawes Commission has corrected errors of this kind, and

WHEREAS, the rule followed by the Dawes Commission was intended to carefully carry out the provisions of the agreement and allottees of land were required to make oath that the lands selected by them did not include the lands or improvements of any other citizen and

WHEREAS, quite a number of citizens either through error or with purpose violated their oath and selected lands upon which other citizens had improvements and intended to allot such lands, and

WHEREAS, in some cases citizens were tardy in selecting allotments and other citizens finding that the homes and improvements of such negligent citizens were unallotted took them as allotments, knowing that other citizens had improvements thereon and

WHEREAS, in this way much wrong has been done to the property rights of quite a number of our citizens, and

WHEREAS, the Creek rolls have been closed, but in the closure of the rolls it does not prevent persons who have selected allotments on which the improvements of other citizens entitled to allotment are located from having their allotments changed and given other

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allotments where such wrongs have been perpetrated.

THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That the attention of the Honorable Secretary of the Interior be and is hereby called to the above statement of facts with the request that he take such action in the matter as he may deem proper and advisable to permit all citizens of the Muskogee or Creek Nation to select lands upon which they have improvements and to cancel all filings heretofore made on such improved lands by other than the owners of such improvements.

Adopted Oct. 15th, 1904

T.J. Adams

Presdt. pro-tem

Sam Grayson
Clerk.

Concurred in Oct 18th, 1904

Alex Davis

Sp.H. of Warriors

L.C. Tiger

Clk-pro-tem

Approved Oct. 22, 1904.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--Pleasant Porters
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Muskogee Nation

P. PORTER, Principal Chief.

Muskogee, Indian Territory,

Okmulgee, I.T. Oct. 7, 1904.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:
That we adjourn today at 12.00 o'clock, to re-convene on Monday, Oct. 10th 1904 at 1.00 o'clock, P. M. on account of the payment of the "Loyal Creek" claim to commence here on that date, to enable members of the Council to return to their homes and notify the members of their respective towns of the change in date of payment.

Adopted Oct. 7, 1904

Sam Grayson
Clk.

James Smith
Pres't. H. Kings

Mildred Childers
Clk.

Alexander Davis
Spk. H. of W.

BE IT RESOLVED BY the National Council of the Muskogee Nation:
That persons, citizens of the Muskogee Nation, who are blind, paralyzed, of unsound mind, crippled from rheumatism or helpless from old age or any other cause, and who have no means of support, shall be termed indigents of the Muskogee Nation and entitled to receive the annuity which the Council may provide for same, provided, that any person who is drawing a pension from the United States Government or any person who is an officer of the Muskogee Nation, shall not be considered eligible.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the Committee on Indigents shall have authority to call on any member of Council in order to ascertain who shall be entitled to be enrolled on the list of indigents.

Adopted October 27th, 1900.

Amos McIntosh

Speaker House of Warriors

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Concurred in October 27th, 1900.

T.W. Perryman

Pres. House of K.

Clerk.

Approved November 1st, 1900.

P. Porter,

Principal Chief.

Committee Room.

Okmulgee, M.N.

May 24, 1901

National Council,

Gentlemen:-

We, your special Committee, appointed to consider the advisability of creating a commission or delegation to enter into a supplemental agreement with the commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, have carefully considered the subject and submit herewith a draft of an act embodying the views of the Committee as to the number of Commissioners to be elected and the amendments or modifications, that should in the judgment of your committee be included in a Supplemental Agreement that may be made with the United States and we recommend the adoption of the Bill herewith submitted

March Thompson

Chairman

D.M.Hodge

Clk.

Read & Referred to House of Kings

5/24/1901

Amos McIntosh

Sp.H. of W.

A.P.McKellop

Clk.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--Pleasant Porters
general letters.--a-21----

A N A C T

Relating to land leasing.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That the Principal Chief shall nominate and the National Council confirm a competent citizen to be known and styled "Lease Inspector," whose term of office shall be one year from December 5th of each year, and whose duties shall be as follows:

He shall have an official seal and may be a Notary Public.

He shall provide a set of books and shall record all lease or rent contracts heretofore made with citizens of the Muskogee Nation, as well as all such contracts made hereafter, all such contracts, where now existing or made after the passage of this act to be subject to his approval, and no lease or rent contract shall be valid or legal unless approved by said inspector, and said approval attested by his official seal.

The charge for the approval and recording of the lease shall be Fifty (50¢) Cents for each lease or rent contract. The record shall show the name of the Lessor or Lessors and of the Lessees of Lessee, and the day, hour and minute when same was offered for record, the annual cash rental or the consideration, and the time for the expiration of the lease. He shall make each contract in triplicate or require that same be so made, and shall transmit one copy to the Principay Chief to be filed of record, the other two to be handed, each, to the Lessor and Lessee.

The said Inspector shall examine all leases heretofore made, and if they do not meet his approval he shall order new leases made upon blanks to be provided by him, or upon blanks embodying

---Pleasant Porters general letters.---a-22----

substantially the same provisions as the blanks prepared by said Inspector. He shall also see that the interests of all citizens of the Creek Nation are properly protected in their leases, and that they receive a reasonable rental for the use of their lands, considering the location and nature of the land.

The said Inspector shall make such rules and regulations as he may deem necessary to carry out the intent and purpose of this Act, not inconsistent with the Agreements heretofore made and now subsisting between the Governments of the United States and the Creek Nation.

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Lease Inspector shall receive a salary of Fifty (\$50.00) Dollars per month, in addition to the fees for approval and recording of lease contracts as herein provided. He shall also make report to the annual sessions of the National Council.

Adopted December 3, 1902.

Lee McNeVins,

T.W. Perryman

Clerk.

President House of Kings.

Concurred in December 3, 1902.

A.P. McKellop

Amos McIntosh

Clerk.

Speaker House of Warriors.

Approved December 3, 1902.

P. Porter

Principal Chief Muskogee Na.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--Pleasant Porters
general letters.---a-22----

A R E S O L U T I O N

Providing instructions for delegates to other Nations.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That the Principal Chief be and is hereby authorized and directed to instruct the delegates to the Choctaw, Chickasaw and Cherokee Nations, respectively, as follows:

That their mission shall be to proceed to the Capitols or residences of the Principal chiefs of each of the aforesaid Nations and make earnest effort to secure the approval and consent of said Nations to hold a convention of the Five Civilized Tribes, represented by the Principal Chiefs and such other delegates as each nation may have selected or shall select, said convention to be held at such time and place as may be designated by the Principal Chief of the Choctaw Nation, or the Principal Chief of some other Nation who may be directed to call said convention.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the delegates be instructed to present as purposes for which a convention of the Five Civilized Tribes should be held:

First: The united opposition to the extension of the laws of any state or territory over the territory owned by them.

Second: To oppose the annexation of the territory owned by them, either in part or as a whole, to any other state or territory.

Third: To maintain the remnant of Tribal Government with which our nations are clothed, respectively, until the dissolution of Tribal Government in 1906, as provided for in the agreements with our nations.

----Pleasant Porters general letters.--a-23----

Fourth: That the authority and supervision of the Department of the Interior over Indian affairs, and the authority of the Dawes Commission in the distribution of the lands belonging to the Five Civilized Tribes, and the authority of the United States Courts in the Indian Territory, are sufficient for the present demands of government.

Fifth: That no government, either territorial or state, should be established to interfere with or embarrass the distribution of the lands of the people of our respective nations, until such work is complete, which will not be before the dissolution of Tribal Government in 1906.

Sixth: That it is incumbent upon us all, as self-governing people, to propose a form of government and take part in the establishment of the same, for the country owned by us, at the dissolution of Tribal Government in 1906.

Seventh: That it would be good policy and aid in securing these ends to propose the addition of a provision, to the pending Act of Congress to establish statehood for the territories of Oklahoma, Arizona, and New Mexico, an enabling provision granting statehood to the country owned by the Five Civilized Tribes and known as the Indian Territory, at the dissolution of Tribal Government, March 4, 1906.

Adopted October 24, 1902.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh
Speaker House of Warriors.

Concurred in October 24, 1902.

Lee McNeVins
Clerk.

T.W. Perryman
President House of Kings.

Approved October 24, 1902.

P. Porter--Prin. Chief Musk. Na.

--Pleasant Porters general letters.--a-23----

A R E S O L U T I O N

Providing for the collection of moneys due the Creek Nation
from sale of lands for Cemeteries, Parks and Schools.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That the Principal Chief of the Muskogee Nation is hereby
authorized to take such steps as he may deem proper to collect
moneys due the Creek Nation, from the sale of lands for come-
teries, parks and schools, as provided in the Supplemental
Agreement ratified July 26, 1902.

Adopted October 22, 1902.

Lee McNeVins

T.W.Perryman

Clerk.

President House of Kings.

Concurred in October 22, 1902.

A.P.McKellop

Amos McIntosh.

Clerk.

Speaker House of Warriors.

Approved October 23, 1902.

P.Porter

Principal Chief Musk.Nation.

The following important resolution was passed by the Creek Council and was last night submitted to Col. J. Blair Shoenfelt who returned last night from Washington: 362

A R E S O L U T I O N

Regarding the Administration of the Property of Incompetents,
Convicts, Orphans and Deceased Persons.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That the Principal Chief be and is hereby authorized and directed to confer with the United States Indian Agent regarding the administration of property of Incompetents, convicts, orphans, and deceased persons, of the Creek Nation, and agree upon some manner of caring for such estates, subject to the law governing appointment of guardians and curators.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Town Chiefs shall be required to furnish the Principal Chief a list of such named persons of their respective towns, and also recommend to him suitable persons who may be appointed guardians over the orphans and incompetents of their towns.

Adopted October 22, 1902.

Lee McNevins

Clerk.

T.W. Perryman

President House of Kings.

Concurred in October 22, 1902.

A.P. McKellop

Clerk.

Amos McIntosh

Speaker House of Warriors.

Approved October 22, 1902.

P. Porter

Principal Chief Musk. Nation.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--Pleasant Porters
general letters.--a-24----

A R E S O L U T I O N

Providing for two delegates, each, to the Choctaw,
Chickasaw, and Cherokee Nations.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That the Principal Chief shall nominate and the National Council shall confirm two suitable persons, as delegates, each, to the Choctaw, Chickasaw, and Cherokee Nations, whose duty shall be to visit said Nations with such instructions as the National Council shall prepare and adopt, together with such communication as the Council may prepare for presentation to the National Councils of the other Nations.

Adopted October 22, 1902.

A.P. McKellop

Amos McIntosh

Clerk.

Speaker House of Warriors.

Concurred in October 22, 1902.

Lee McNevins

T.W. Perryman

Clerk.

President House of Kings.

Approved October 22, 1902.

P. Porter

Principal Chief Musk. Na.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE.

November 5, 1900.

To the Members of the House of

Kings & Warriors, GENTLEMEN:

In pursuance with an act of the National Council of the Muskogee Nation, passed November 2, 1900, providing for a delegation composed of three persons to represent the Muskogee Nation in the matter of consummation of the pending agreement between the United States and the Creek Nation at the City of Washington at the coming session of Congress, I do hereby in accordance with the Constitution, article 10, section 1, nominate the following named gentlemen for your confirmation:

Amos McIntosh,

John R. Goat

Thomas W. Perryman.

Very respectfully,

P. Porter

Principal Chief.

Votes in the House of Kings

Amos McIntosh,	Pro	15	Con	15
John R. Goat,	Pro	27	Con	3
T. W. Perryman,	Pro	29	Con	_____

Nov. 5, 1900.

Votes in the House of Warriors,

Amos McIntosh,	Pro	52	Con	4
John R. Goat,	Pro	51	Con	3
T. W. Perryman,	Pro	63	Con	2.

--Pleasant Porters general letters.--a-26----

Executive Office,

May 24, 1901.

The Members of the House of Kings & Warriors,

Gentlemen:

I herewith transmit to you, for appropriate action, "An Act to approve the employment of an attorney for the Musko-gee Nation at the City of Washington," and in doing so I cannot too strongly impress upon you the importance of passing this act, for the reason that it would be impossible to properly protect the interests of our Nation in the winding up of its affairs without the services of an able attorney at Washington. Judge Springer has already rendered the nation splendid service since his employment, as will be attested by the delegations to Washington in the negotiation of the present agreement.

The Seminole Nation appreciates the importance of being represented by a good lawyer, and has employed Mr. McKennon for a term of five years at an annual salary of five thousand dollars per annum; also the Choctaws and Chickasaws pay their attorneys ten thousand dollars per year.

Having the best interests of the nation at heart, as you have, I therefore earnestly recommend that you give to this act your favorable consideration.

Respectfully,

P. Porter,
Principal Chief.

Read & Referred to H. of W. ---5/24/1901

T.W. Perryman--Pres. H. of K.

L. McN.

Clk.

---Pleasant Porters general letters.---a-26----

November 24, 1903

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That the two houses of Council meet in joint Session in the hall of the House of Warriors at 8, P.M. this 24th day of November, 1903, for the purpose conferring with the Hon. J. Blair Shoenfelt, United States Indian Agent and also the United States Indian Inspector or other Officials who may be in the City, this instant., on business pertaining to the Muskogee Nation.

Be it further resolved that the Prin. Chief. P. Porter is hereby request to extend invitation to said Gov't officials to meet the Council at said hall and time.

Adopted Nov. 24, 1903

Lee McNeVins
Clk.

Roley McIntosh
Pres. H. of Kings.

Concurred in Nov. 24, 1903

A. P. McN.
Clk.

J. H. Land,
Sp. H. of W.

Approved Nov. 24, 1903

P. Porter,
Principal Chief.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated the sum of One thousand and Sixty four dollars (\$1064.00) each in favor of the four delegates elected at the present session of Council to represent the Creek Nation at Washington D.C., during the present session of the Congress of the United States, and a like sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary in favor of the Principal Chief who
---Pleasant Porters general letters.---a-26----

has been requested to accompany the said Delegation, the same being for per diem and other expenses while at Washington, and also the sum of Two said Delegates and the Principal Chief as traveling expenses, and the further sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) or so much thereof as may be necessary for necessary incidental expenses of said Delegation; the pay of said delegates to be at the rate of Seven Dollars (\$7.00) per day and amounting in all to Six Thousand Eight Hundred and Twenty Dollars (\$6820.00).

Adopted Dec.17,1903

James Smith

Presd't. H. Kings.

Sam Grayson
Clk.

Concurred in Dec.17,1903.

M.C.
Clk.

Approved Dec.17th,1903

P.Porter,

Principal Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--Pleasant Porters
general letters.--a-26----

October 14, 1903

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:
That the present session of the National Council adjourn on
Oct. 22nd at 11 o'clock A.M. to reconvene on Nov. 18th at 10
o'clock A.M. to finish out the 30 working days allowed by Law.

Adopted Oct. 14, 1903

Joseph H. Land,

Sp. H. of W. pro tem

A.P. McK.
Clk.

Concurred in Oct. 16th, 1903

Charles Coachman

Pres. H. of Kings Pro-tem

Lee McNevins
Clk.

Approved Oct. 19th, 1903

P. Porter

Principal Chief, M.N.

Votes cast in the House of Kings on the Chief's nomination for National Auditor, Robert Frye Pro 24 Con 0

Oct. 17th, 1903

Lee McNevins
Clk.

Roley McIntosh
Pres. H. of Kings.

Votes cast in the House of Warriors on the Chief's nomination for National Auditor Robert Frye
Pro 47 Con 1
A.P. McKellop J.H. Land--Sp.H. of W. pro tem
Clk.
---Pleasant Porters general letters.---a-27----

Be it resolved by the National Council:

That the two Houses of Council shall meet in joint session in the House of Warriors at 10 o'clock A.M. on Friday Oct. 9, 1903 for the purpose of listening to the reading of the reports of the National attorney, the Superintendent of Public Instruction, the National Auditor and the Financial Statement of the Indian Agent.

Adopted, Oct. 7, 1903

Amos McIntosh

Sp.H. of W.

A.P. McK.

Clk.

Concurred in Oct. 8th, 1903

Roley McIntosh

Pres.H. of Kings

Lee McNevins

Clk.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL:

That a special joint committee of Five (5) Kings and Eight (8) Warriors, to be appointed in such manner that the supporters of the four candidates for Principal Chief during the late general election shall be equally represented on the committee, be appointed to take charge of the returns of said general election for Principal and Second Chief, and to canvas and count the same and report to the present session of the Council showing the number of votes cast for each of said candidates for chief and second chief.

Adopted---Oct. 7, 1903

Amos McIntosh---Sp.H. of W.

A.P. McK---Clk.

Concurred in after amended so as

to read eight (8) Kings and Ten (10) Warriors. Roley McIntosh.

Lee McNevins---Clk.

Pres.H. of Kings.

--P. Porters general letters.---A---27----

October 6, 1903

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL:

That a special joint Committee to be composed of our King and two Warriors be appointed to call upon the Prin. Chief and notify him that the Council has convened in regular session with a quorum of the members of each House present, and is ready to receive any communication the Executive may desire to submit to it.

A.P. McK.
Clk.

Adopted Oct. 6, 1903

Sp. H. of W. pro tem

Concurred in Oct. 6, 1903

Roley McIntosh

Pres. H. of Kings.

Lee McNeVins

Clk.

Committee appointed: Wm. Hill.

House of Warriors. Snow Sells
Thomas Long.

Okmulgee, I.T.

Oct. 16, 1903.

To the National Council.

Gentleman:-

We, your committee on claims to whom was referred for consideration, the claim of A.P. Murphy of \$719.40 for services.

---Pleasant Porters general letters.---a-27----

Okmulgee, I.T.

Oct. 16, 1903

To the National Council.

Gentlemen:

We, your committee on claims to whom was referred, for consideration, the claim of A.P. Murphy of \$719.40 for services rendered, as National Attorney; Have carefully considered the same, and we, the committee found that said claim is just and correct, Therefore, we, respectfully recommend the adoption of the accompanying act.

Very respectfully,

Jas. Byrd.

Chairman.

Claim Committee.

John Smith,
Clk.

Finance Committee Room

Oct. 21, 1903

To the National Council of M.N.

Gentlemen:

Your Committee to whom was referred the communication and act providing the sum of One thousand dollars for incidental expenses of the office of the National Attorney was taken up and after carefully examining the same the Committee recommends the adoption of the accompanying act.

Respectfully,

Mildred Childers.

W.A. Palmer--chairman.

--Pleasant Porters^{Clk.} general letters.--a-27----

Finance Committee Room

Oct. 15, 1903

To the National Council of M.N.

Gentlemen:

Your Committee requests the adoption of the accompanying act, regarding the salaries of general officers of the Creek Nation.

Respectfully,

W.A. Palmer

Mildred Childers
Clk.

Committee Room.

Oct. 20, 1903

To the Hon. National Council
of the Muscogee Nation

Gentlemen:

We your Committee on Education to whom was referred An Act making appropriations for Educational purposes respectfully submit our report. After carefully considering the matter your Committee recommends your Hon. Body to make this appropriation, \$78,468.40 in the adoption of the accompanying Act.

We are,

Very respectfully,

Chas. Coachman

Chairman, Educational Com.

H.B.B.--Clk.

---Pleasant Porters general letters.---a-27----

December 11, 1903

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:
That from and after the 4th day of December 1903 the per diem
pay of Clerks of standing Committees of the National Council shall
be Four Dollars (\$4.00) instead of Three Dollars (\$3.00) as at
present.

Be it further enacted:--That the said Clerks of standing Commit-
tees shall be paid the same amount of mileage as is now paid to
members of the National Council.

Adopted Dec.11,1903

James Smith

Presd't. House of Kings

Sam Grayson

Concurred in

Alex Davis

Spk. H. of W.

Mildred Childers

Clk.

December 11, 1903

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:
That from and after the 4th day of December 1903, the per diem
pay of members, clerks and interpreters of the National Council
shall be Six Dollars (6.00) instead of Four Dollars (4.00) as
at present.

Adopted Dec.11,1903

James Smith--Presd't. House of K.

Concurred in -Alex Davis-Spk.H. of W.

Sam Grayson--Clk.

Mildred Childers--Clk.

---P.Porters general letters.--a-27----

December 5, 1903

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:
That there shall be elected at the present session of the Council
three citizens as Delegates to represent the Muskogee or Creek
Nation at Washington, D.C. during the next session of Congress
which will convene on Dec. 5, 1903.

The said Delegates shall act under such instructions as the
Council may, by Resolution, provide, and under such further
instructions as the Principal Chief may deem advisable for the
interests of the Muskogee Nation.

The said Delegates shall remain at Washington during the
session of Congress or during such time as the interests of the
Nation may demand.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--Pleasant Porters
general letters.--a-27----

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Indian Inspection Service,
Muscogee, I.T., April 23, 1899.

Hon. Isparhecher,
Principal Chief, Creek Nation,
Okmulgee, Indian Territory.

Sir:

You are respectfully advised that an act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on March 18, 1899, and entitled:

"An Act to provide means for use in repairs and extension of Boarding Schools and Orphan Asylum,"

was submitted by the Department to the President of the United States for executive action on April 17, 1899, and on the 18th instant was duly approved, and has been placed on file in the Office of Indian Affairs.

For your information, a copy of the letter of the Honorable Secretary of the Interior transmitting said Act to the President for action is herewith enclosed.

Very respectfully,

J. Geo. Wright,

U.S. Indian Inspector, for
the Indian Territory.

Washington, April 17, 1899.

The President,

Sir:

I have the honor to submit herewith for executive action, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved June 7, 1897, (30 Stat., 62-84), an act of the National Council of the Muskogee (or Creek) Nation, entitled: "An Act to provide means for use in repairs and extension of Boarding Schools and Orphan Asylum."

"Euchee Boarding School-	- - - - -	\$3000.00
Wealaka	" " - - - - -	3000.00
Coweta	" " - - - - -	1500.00
Tallahassee	" " - - - - -	2000.00
Nuyuka	" " - - - - -	1700.00
Eufaula	" " - - - - -	1000.00
Negro Orphan Asylum,	- - - - -	600.00

in all, twelve thousand eight hundred dollars to be used in the repairs and extensions."

Said act provides that the repairs therein provided for shall

"be made by some skillful and reliable architect, under contract made and entered into with the Committee, composed of the U.S. Supervisor of Indian schools in the Indian Territory, the Superintendent of Public instruction of the Muskogee Nation and the Superintendent of the various schools respectively, representing the Creek Nation."

Said act was approved on March 18, 1899, by the Principal Chief of said Nation.

---Pleasant Porters general letters,--a-28----

The United States Indian Inspector states that:

"In view of the fact that this work is to be performed largely under the supervision of the Supervisor (Superintendent) of Indian Schools for the Indian Territory, and payment to be made by a United States disbursing officer, thereby enabling United States officers to practically supervise the work and the payments necessary, and as it is known that the schools are in need of extensive repairs,"

he recommends that the act be approved. His recommendation is concurred in by the Commissioner of Indian Affairs.

I have, therefore, to recommend that said act be approved, and a copy of the report of the Commissioner, together with letter of said Inspector, is inclosed herewith.

Respectfully,

(signed) E.A. Hitchcock,

Secretary.

Ind. Ter. Div.
1122-99.
3 inclosures.

(Copy of An Act)

AN ACT

TO PROVIDE FOR USE IN REPAIRS AND EXTENSION OF BOARDING SCHOOLS
Be it enacted by the national council of the Muscogee Nation,
That there be and is hereby appropriated for repairs and extension of -

--Pleasant Porters general letters.--a-28----

Euchee Boarding School	- - - - -	\$3000.00
Wealaka " "	- - - - -	3000.00
Coweta " "	- - - - -	1500.00--\$1023.00 - 477.00
Tallahassee "	- - - - -	2000.00
Nuyaka " "	- - - - -	1700.00
Eufaula " "	- - - - -	1000.00
Negro Orphan Asylum	- - - - -	600.00

in all twelve thousand eight hundred dollars to be used in the repairs and extensions aforementioned to be made by some skillful and reliable architect, under contract made and entered into with the Committee, composed of the U.S. Supervisor of Indian Schools in the Indian Territory, the Superintendent of Public Instruction of the Muscogee Nation and the Superintendent of the various school respectively representing the Creek Nation; and said committee is hereby authorized and directed to contract with some skillful and reliable architect for repairing and enlarging the said Boarding schools at as early a date as practicable.

Adopted March 18th, 1899
 G.A. Alexander
 Pres. of H. of K.
 Concurred in March 18, 1899
 W.A. Sepulpa
 Speaker of H. of War.
 Approved March 18, 1899
 Isparhecher
 Prin. Chief. M.N.

J.H. Alexander
 Clerk.
 A.P. McKellop
 Clerk
 Witnesses to mark:
 H.M. Harjo
 T.E. Proctor

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Office of U.S. Indian Inspector
For
Indian Territory,

Muscogee, Ind.T., January 10, 1900.

Hon. Pleasant Porter,
Principal Chief, Creek Nation,
Muscogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:

You are respectfully advised that an Act of the national Council of the Creek Nation, approved by Principal Chief Isparhecher on November 25, 1899, and entitled:

"An Act to provide for the cancellation of National Auditor's certificates,"

was submitted by the Honorable Secretary of the Interior to the President of the United States for executive action on December 23, 1899, and was duly approved on the same date, and the same has been placed on file in the Office of Indian Affairs at Washington.

Very respectfully,

J. Geo. Wright,

U.S. Indian Inspector, for
the Indian Territory.

Muscogee (Creek) Nation.

AN ACT

TO PROVIDE FOR THE CANCELLATION OF NATIONAL AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATES

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSCOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated out of the General Funds of the Muscogee Nation the sum of Fourteen Thousand Five Hundred Sixteen and 42/100 (\$14,516.42) for the cancellation and retirement of all Auditors certificates held and owned by the following named persons previous to Nov. 25th, 1898, in amounts set opposite their respective name. Said sum to be paid out in accordance with such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior.

W.C.Trent- - - - -	\$1359.90	Tate Brady- - - - -	\$38.00
Turner Hdwe Co- - - - -	2146.40	A.J.Kennedy- - - - -	25.00
C.H.Tully- - - - -	3943.60	Robert Carr- - - - -	50.66
C.E.Myers- - - - -	2069.57	Sugar George- - - - -	14.00
J.L.Thomas- - - - -	211.95	R.M.Stevens- - - - -	7.55
J.E.Turner- - - - -	450.00	Wm.Perryman - - - - -	49.00
P.K.Morton- - - - -	206.50	H.C.Humel- - - - -	2.00
Mrs. T.H.Scales- - - - -	256.50	F.B.Severs- - - - -	74.90
H.H.Holman- - - - -	112.40	Joe Simon- - - - -	25.00
Frank Likowski- - - - -	740.66	Thomas Wells- - - - -	24.90
H.C.Hall & Co- - - - -	102.25	Charles Coachman- - - - -	11.00
Moty Tiger- - - - -	716.30	J.S.Robison- - - - -	8.40
J.Burdette- - - - -	372.80	D.C.Watson- - - - -	22.00
C.E.Foley- - - - -	952.46	Lewis Alexander- - - - -	6.50
A.C.Sanborn- - - - -	523.75	E.H.Lerblance- - - - -	3.00

---Pleasant Porters general letters.--a-29----

In all Fourteen Thousand Five Hundred Sixteen and 42/100 Dollars.

A.P. McKellop

Adopted 11/23/99

Clerk of H. of W.

W.A. Sapulpa
Sp. of H. of W.

Lee McNevins

Concurred in Nov. 23rd, 1899

Clerk of H. of K.

G.A. Alexander
Pres. of H. of K.

H.M. Harjo
Priv. Sec.

Approved Nov. 25, 1899

Isparhecher his x mark.

Prin. Chief.

Witnesses: F.B. Severs
R.G. Baugh

Approved 12/23/99 by Wm. McK.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE, #5

Muscogee Nation

Dec. 4th, 1899

I, Isparhecher, Principal Chief of the Muscogee Nation, do hereby certify that the foregoing is an act of the National Council of said Nation passed at its Nov. session, 1899, and approved by me in my official character on Nov. 25, 1899, and I do hereby submit the same for the approval of the President of the United States under the provisions of the Act of Congress of June 7, 1897 (30 Stats., 62-84), entitled "An Act making appropriations for the current and contingent expenses of the Indian Department, and for fulfilling treaty stipulations with various Indian tribes for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, and for other purposes."

----Pleasant Porters general letters.---a-29----

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In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto signed my name as Principal Chief of the Muscogee Nation on this the 25th day of Nov. 1899, and caused the great seal of the Nation to be affixed.

Isparhecher his x mark.

Principal Chief Muscogee
Nation.

Attest: F.B. Severs
B.G. Baugh

H.M. Harjo

National Secretary.

EXECUTIVE MANSION,

Washington, _____, 189

Approved:

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
Office of U.S. Indian Inspector,
For
Indian Territory,
Muscogee, Ind. T.,
January 10, 1900.

Hon. Pleasant Porter,
Principal Chief, Creek Nation,
Muscogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:

You are respectfully advised that the Act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by Principal Chief Isparhecher on December 4, 1899, and entitled:

"An Act to provide for pay of committee clerks' services
and for other purposes,"

was submitted by the Honorable Secretary of the Interior to the President of the United States for executive action on December 26, 1899, and was duly approved on the same date, and has been placed on file in the Office of Indian Affairs at Washington.

Very respectfully,

J. Geo. Wright,

U.S. Indian Inspector,
for the Indian Territory.

Dec. 4th, 1899

Muscogee (Creek) Nation.

AN ACT

TO PROVIDE FOR PAY OF COMMITTEE CLERKS' SERVICES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES:

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSCOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated out of the General Fund of the Muscogee Nation, the sum of Five Hundred One and 75/100 (\$501.75) Dollars for pay of Committee clerks and for other purposes as hereinafter mentioned; Said sum to be paid out under such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior.

Lydia Perryman, for services rendered as clerk of Special Committee in Nov. 9 days- - - - -	\$27.00
Lydia Perryman, for services rendered as clerk of Special Committee in Nov. 3 days- - - - -	9.00
J.H.Lynch, for services rendered as clerk of Committee on Education in Nov. 18 days- - - - -	54.00
Mrs. A.P.McKellop, for services rendered as clerk of Committee Judiciary in Nov. 35 days- - - - -	105.00
J.E.Tiger, for services rendered as clerk of Special Committee in Nov. 7 days- - - - -	21.00
Theo. E.Stidham, for services rendered as clerk of Committee on Foreign Relations in Nov. 18 days- - - - -	54.00
C.S.Smith, for services rendered as clerk of Finance Committee in Nov. 15 days- - - - -	45.00
A.G.W.Sango, for services rendered as clerk of Committee on Internal Improvements in Nov. 15 days- - - - -	45.00
----Pleasant Porters general letters.--a-30----	

December 4th, 1899

J.R.King for services rendered as clerk of Committee on
Claims in Nov. 35, days- - - - - \$105.00
Amos Grey, for fuel furnished the council of Oct & Nov.
also for oil furnished the council all amounting--- 17.20
F.B.Severs, for stationary furnished the Creek Nation-- 19.55
In all Five Hundred One and 75/100 Dollars.

A.P.McKellop
Clerk of H. of W.

Adopted 12/4/99
W.A.Sapulpa
Sp. of H. of W.

Lee McNeVins
Clerk of H. of K.

Concurred in Dec.4th, 1899
G.A.Alexander
Pres. of H. of K.

H.M.Harjo
Priv.Sec.

Approved Dec.4th, 1899
Isparhecher his x mark
Prin.Chief. M.N.

Witnesses: F.B.Severs
B.G.Baugh

Approved 12/26/1899 by Wm. McK.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE, #9

Muscogee Nation

Dec.4th, 1899

I, Isparhecher, Principal Chief of the Muscogee Nation, do hereby certify that the foregoing is an act of the National Council of said Nation passed at its Nov. session, 1899, and approved by me in my official character on Dec.4th, 1899, and I do hereby submit the same for the approval of the President of the United States under the provisions of the Act of Congress of June 7, 1897 (30 Stats., 62, 84), entitled "An Act making appropriations for
---Pleasant Porters general letters.---a-30----

the current and contingent expenses of the Indian Department, and for fulfilling treaty stipulations with various Indian tribes for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, and for other purposes."

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto signed my name as Principal Chief of the Muscogee Nation on this the 4th day of Dec. 1899, and caused the great seal of the Nation to be affixed.

Isparhecher his x mark

Principal Chief Muscogee Na.

Attest; F.B. Severs

B.G. Baugh

H.M. Harjo

National Secretary.

EXECUTIVE MANSION,

Washington, _____, 189__

Approved:

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
United States Indian Inspector

For

D-1423-'00
Act No. 36.

Indian Territory,

Muskogee, Ind.T., Dec. 8, 1900.

Honorable P. Porter,

Principal Chief,

Muskogee, Indian Territory,

Sir:

You are respectfully advised that the act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on November 5, 1900, and entitled -

"An act appropriating \$600 to purchase clothing
for orphans at the Creek Orphans Home",

- was submitted by the Honorable Secretary of the Interior to the President of the United States on November 26, 1900, was duly approved on November 27, 1900, and has been placed on file in the office of Indian Affairs at Washington.

Very respectfully,

J. Geo. Wright,

U.S. Indian Inspector,

for Indian Territory.

A N A C T

Appropriating \$600.00 to purchase clothing
for orphans at Creek Orphan Home.

BE IT ENACTED by the National Council of the Muskogee Nation:
The sum of Six Hundred Dollars (\$600) be and the same is hereby
appropriated for the purpose of purchasing clothing for the
orphans at the Creek Orphan Home.

Said sum to be paid in accordance with such rules and regu-
lations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior
for the disbursement of Creek funds.

Adopted Nov. 5, 1900

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh
Speaker, House of Warriors.

Concurred in Nov. 5, 1900

Lee McNevins
Clerk.

T.W. Perryman
President, House of Kings.

Approved Nov. 5, 1900

ATTEST:

W.S. Fears
Acting Private Secretary.

P. Porter
Principal Chief.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
Office of U.S. Indian Inspector,

For

Indian Territory,

Muscogee, Ind.T., January 26, 1900.

Hon. Pleasant Porter,

Principal Chief, Creek Nation,

Muscogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:

You are respectfully advised that the Act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on December 15, 1899, and entitled:

"An Act to provide for the support of the National Boarding Schools and for other purposes,"

was submitted by the Honorable Secretary of the Interior to the President of the United States for executive action on January 11, 1900, and was duly approved on the same day, and has been placed on file in the Office of Indian Affairs at Washington.

Very respectfully,

J. Geo. Wright,

U.S. Indian Inspector, for
the Indian Territory.

Muscogee (Creek) Nation

AN ACT

TO PROVIDE THE SUPPORT OF THE NATIONAL BOARDING SCHOOLS
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSCOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated out of the School funds of the Muscogee Nation the sum of Sixty four thousand five hundred twenty five and 10/100 Dollars (\$64,525.10) for the support of the National Schools for the Scholastic year ending November 15, 1900 and for other purposes as herein after mentioned

Said sum to be paid out in accordance with such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior

Tallahassee Boarding School- - - - -	\$ 9,000.00
Eufaula High School- - - - -	9,000.00
Wetumka Boarding School- - - - -	9,000.00
Wealaka Boarding School - - - - -	4,500.00
Pecan Creek Boarding School- - - - -	4,500.00
Euchee Boarding School- - - - -	7,200.00
Creek Orphan School- - - - -	6,666.66
Neighborhood School- - - - -	14,329.25
C.G. Moore for supplies furnished the Neighborhood School- - - - -	329.19

In all Sixty four thousand five hundred twenty five and 10/100 Dollars.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk of the H. of W.

Adopted Dec. 15th, 1899
Amos McIntosh
Spk. H. of Warriors

Lee McNeVins
Clerk of H. of K.

Concurred in Dec. 15th, 1899
T.W. Perryman
Pres. H. of K.

J.E. Tiger
Private Sec.

Approved Dec. 15th, 1899

P. Porter-Prin. Chief of the M.N.

Approved by Wm. McKinley Jan. 11, 1900.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--Pleasant Porters
general letters.--a-32----

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Indian Inspector

For

D-1425-'00
Act No. 38.

Indian Territory,

Muskogee, Ind.T., Dec.8,1900.

Honorable P. Porter,
Principal Chief,
Muskogee, Indian Territory,

Sir:

You are respectfully advised that the act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on November 5,1900, and entitled -

"An Act making appropriation of \$71.30 in favor of
F.B.Severs,"

- was submitted by the Honorable Secretary of the Interior to the President of the United States on November 27, 1900, was duly approved on November 28,1900, and has been placed on file in the Office of Indian Affairs at Washington.

Very respectfully,

J.Geo.Wright,

U.S.Indian Inspector,
for Indian Territory.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee,Oklahoma.--Pleasant Porters
general letters.--a-33----

A N A C T

Making appropriation of \$71.30 in favor
of F.B.Severs

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:
That there be and is hereby appropriated, out of the 30/100
dollars in favor of F.B.Severs, being for supplies and material
furnished the Council House, 1899-1900.

Said sum to be paid in accordance with such rules and
regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior
for the disbursement of Creek funds.

Adopted November 5, 1900

Amos McIntosh
Speaker, House of Warriors.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Concurred in Nov. 5, 1900

T.W. Perryman
President, House of Kings.

Lee McNeVins
Clerk.

Approved Nov. 5, 1900

P. Porter
Principal Chief.

ATTEST:

W.S. Fears
Acting Private Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Indian Inspector

For

D-1426-'00
Act No. 26.

Indian Territory,

Muscogee, Ind.T., Dec.8,1900.

Honorable P. Porter,

Principal Chief,

Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:

You are respectfully advised that the act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on November 5, 1900, and entitled -

"An act appropriating \$100 in favor of E.E.McKibben
furnishing specifications for repairs of Council House,"

- was submitted by the Honorable Secretary of the Interior to the President of the United States on November 26, 1900, was duly approved on November 27, 1900, and has been placed on file in the office of Indian Affairs at Washington.

Very respectfully,

J.Geo.Wright,

U.S.Indian Inspector,
for Indian Territory.

A N A C T

Appropriating One Hundred Dollars in favor of E.E.McKibban,
furnishing specification for repairs of Council House.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated, out of the
general fund of the Muskogee Nation, the sum of One Hundred (\$100.00)
dollars in favor of E.E.McKibban, for professional services fur-
nished in the way of making specification for repair of Council
House in October, 1900.

Said sum to be paid out in accordance with such rules and
regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior
for the disbursement of Creek funds.

Adopted November 5, 1900.

Lee McNeVins
Clerk.

T.W.Perryman
President, House of Kings.

Concurred in November 5, 1900

A.P.McKellop
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh
Speaker, House of Warriors.

Approved Nov. 5, 1900.

P.Porter
Principal Chief.

ATTEST:

Acting Private Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Indian Inspector,

D-1427-'00
Act No. 45.

For
Indian Territory,

Muskogee, Ind.T., Dec.8,1900.

Honorable P.Porter,
Principal Chief,
Muskogee,Indian Territory.

Sir:

You are respectfully advised that the act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on November 5,1900, and entitled -

"An Act providing for the pay of Chaplain, October Session,"

- was submitted by the Honorable Secretary of the Interior to the President of the United States on November 26, 1900, was duly approved on November 27, 1900, and has been placed on file in the Office of Indian Affairs at Washington.

Very respectfully,

J.Geo.Wright,
U.S.Indian Inspector,
for Indian Territory.

A N A C T

Providing for the pay of Chaplain, October
Session, 1900.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE Muskogee Nation:
That there be and is hereby appropriated, out of the general fund
of the Muskogee Nation, the sum of One Hundred Ten & 40/100
(\$110.40), in favor of William Jimboy, being for per diem and
mileage as Chaplain, October session, 1900.....\$110.40.

Said sum to be paid in accordance with such rules and regu-
lations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior for
the disbursement of Creek funds.

Adopted Nov. 5, 1900

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh
Speaker, House of Warriors.

Concurred in Nov. 5, 1900.

Lee McNeVins
Clerk.

T.W. Perryman
President, House of Kings.

Approved Nov. 5, 1900.

P. Porter,
Principal Chief.

ATTEST:

Acting Private Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
Office of U.S. Indian Inspector,

For

Indian Territory,

Muscogee, Ind. T.,

January 26, 1900.

Hon. Pleasant Porter,
Principal Chief, Creek Nation,
Muscogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:

You are respectfully advised that the Act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on December 16, 1899, and entitled:

"An Act to compensate G.W. Tiger, Lewis McGilbra and

C.S. Smith for services rendered on special Committee," was submitted by the Honorable Secretary of the Interior to the President of the United States for executive action on January 12, 1900, and was duly approved on the 13th instant, and has been placed on file in the Office of Indian Affairs at Washington.

Very respectfully,

J. Geo. Wright,

U.S. Indian Inspector, for
the Indian Territory.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.---a-36----

Pleasant Porters general letters.--

AN ACT TO COMPENSATE

G. W. Tiger, Lewis McGilbra and C. S. Smith for services rendered on special Committee.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:-

That there be and is hereby appropriated out of the general funds of the Muskogee Nation not otherwise appropriated in favor of the following named parties the sums as set opposite their respective names the same being for 15 days services rendered on Committee appointed October 17th, 1899 to confer with A. Grant Evans on the transfer of the Nuyaka Mission property from the Presbyterian Home Mission Board to the Muskogee Nation.

G. W. Tiger,	60.00	<u>898</u>
Lewis McGilbra,	60.00	<u>899</u>
C. S. Smith,	60.00	<u>900</u>
	<u>\$180.00</u>	

Adopted Dec. 15th, 1899.

A. P. McKellop
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh
Speaker House of Warriors.

Lee McNevins
Clerk.

Concurred in, Dec. 15th, 1899.
T. W. Perryman
President House of Kings.

J. E. Tiger
Private Secretary.

Approved, Dec. 16th, 1899.

P. Porter
Principal Chief, M.N.

Approved by
Wm. McKinley
January 13, 1900.

--Pleasant Porter-a-36----

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

Office of U.S. Indian Inspector,

For

Indian Territory,

Muscogee, Ind. T., Jan. 26, 1900.

Hon. Pleasant Porter,

Principal Chief, Creek Nation,

Muscogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:

You are respectfully advised that the Act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on December 16, 1899, and entitled:

"An Act to provide for pay of committee clerks during the extra session of December Council, 1899",

was submitted by the Honorable Secretary of the Interior to the President of the United States for executive action on January 12, 1900, and was duly approved on the 13th instant, and has been placed on file in the Office of Indian Affairs at Washington.

Very respectfully,

J. Geo. Wright,

U.S. Indian Inspector, for
the Indian Territory.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--a-37----

Pleasant Porters general letters.--

TO PROVIDE FOR PAY OF COMMITTEE CLERKS DURING THE EXTRA SESSION
OF DECEMBER COUNCIL, 1899.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:-

That there be and is hereby appropriated out of the general funds of the Muskogee Nation, not otherwise appropriated, in favor of the following named persons, the sums set opposite their respective names, for services rendered as hereinafter mentioned: provided such sums shall be paid out under such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior.

John Smith, for services rendered as clerk of special committee during the extra session of Dec. 1899, 2 days,	\$6.00	878
Samuel Checote, for services rendered as clerk of special committee on contests during the extra session of Dec. 1899. 9 days,	27.00	9
L. E. Nero, for services rendered as committee clerk for special committee during the extra session of Dec. 1899, 3 days,	9.00	880
J. H. Lynch, for services rendered as clerk of special committee to separate the message of the Principal Chief into different subjects, during the extra session of Dec. 1899 1 day	3.00	1
Bohey Island, clerk of Committee on Finance, 11 days	33.00	2
J. H. Lynch, clerk of Committee on Education, 10 days,	50.00	3
Johnson King, clerk of Committee on Internal Improvements 10 days,	50.00	4
Mrs. A. P. McKellop. clerk of Judiciary Committee Committee 12 days,	56.00	5

John G. Smith, clerk of Committee on Claims,

10 days, \$2.10 \$50.00 6

C. C. Belcher, clerk of special committee, 2 days, 6.00 487

A. P. McKellop
Clerk

Leo McNevins
Clerk.

J.E.Tiger,
Private Secretary.

Adopted, Dec. 16th, 1899.

Amos McIntosh
Speaker House of Warriors.

Concurred in, Dec. 16th, 1899.

T. W. Perryman
President House of Kings.

Approved, Dec. 16th, 1899.

P.Porter

Principal Chief, M.N.

Approved by

Wm. McKinley

Jan. 13/00.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Indian Inspector

D-1424-'00
Act No. 43.

For
Indian Territory,

Muscogee, Ind. T., Dec. 8, 1900.

Honorable P. Porter,
Principal Chief,
Muskogee, Indian Territory,

Sir:

You are respectfully advised that the act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on November 5, 1900, and entitled -

"An act providing for the repairing of the Council House,"
- was submitted by the Honorable Secretary of the Interior to the President of the United States on November 26, 1900, was duly approved on November 27, 1900, and has been placed on file in the office of Indian Affairs at Washington.

Very respectfully,
J. Geo. Wright,
U. S. Indian Inspector,
for Indian Territory.

To provide for the repairing of the Council House.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated, out of the general fund of the Muskogee Nation, the sum of Two Thousand Dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the purpose of repairing the Council House in accordance with the specifications submitted by the architect.

Said sum to be paid out in accordance with such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior for the disbursement of Creek funds.

A D O P T E D November 5, 1900.

Lee McNeVins
Clerk

T. W. Perryman
President, House of Kings.

C O N C U R R E D I N November 5, 1900.

A. P. McKellop
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh
Speaker, House of Warriors.

A P P R O V E D November 5, 1900.

P. Porter
Principal Chief.

ATTEST:

W.S. Fears
Acting Private Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

United States Indian Inspector

For

D-1432-'00
Act No. 30.

Indian Territory,

Muscogee, Ind. T., Dec. 8, 1900.

Honorable P. Porter,

Principal Chief,

Muskogee, Indian Territory,

Sir:

You are respectfully advised that the act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on November 5, 1900, and entitled -

"An act appropriating \$250 to re-imburse Isparhecher for money borrowed for the purpose of instituting suits in the United States Court for the recovery of tax on cattle, and subsequently paid,"

- was submitted by the Honorable Secretary of the Interior to the President of the United States for executive action on November 26, 1900, was duly approved on November 27, 1900, and has been placed on file in the Office of Indian Affairs, at Washington.

Very respectfully,

J. Geo. Wright,

U.S. Indian Inspector,

for Indian Territory.

--Pleasant Porter--a-40----

A N A C T

Appropriating \$250. to re-imburse Isparhecher for money
 borrowed for the purpose of instituting suits
 in U. S. Court for the recovery of
 tax on cattle, and subse-
 quently paid.

BE IT ENACTED BY the National Council of the Muskogee Nation:
 That there be and is hereby appropriated the sum of Two Hundred
 Fifty (\$250.00) Dollars, out of the general fund of the Muskogee
 Nation, in favor of Isparhecher, for the purpose of re-imbursing
 the said Isparhecher for money borrowed from the Commercial
 Bank, of Muskogee, I.T., on April 15, 1899, for the purpose of
 instituting suits against the various cattle men who had intro-
 duced cattle in the Creek Nation to recover the tax on said
 cattle, which sum of Two Hundred and Fifty dollars was after-
 wards paid by said Isparhecher.

Said sum to be paid in accordance with such rules and regu-
 lations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior for
 the disbursement of Creek funds.

A D O P T E D November 5th, 1900.

A. P. McKellop
 Clerk

Amos McIntosh
 Speaker, House of Warriors.

C O N C U R R E D I N November ____, 1900.

Lee McNeVins
 Clerk.

T. W. Perryman
 President, House of Kings.

P. Porter
 Principal Chief.

ATTEST:

W.S. Fears
 Acting Private Secretary;

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma. ---a-40--- Pleasant
 Porters general letters.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Indian Inspector

For

D-1435-'00
Act No. 37

Indian Territory,

Muskogee, Ind. T., Dec. 8, 1900.

Honorable P. Porter,

Principal Chief,

Muskogee, Indian Territory,

Sir:

You are respectfully advised that the act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on November 5, 1900, and entitled -

"An act making appropriation for the repairs of the
National Boarding School,"

- was submitted by the Honorable Secretary of the Interior to the President of the United States on November 26, 1900, was duly approved on November 27, 1900, and has been placed on file in the office of Indian Affairs at Washington.

Very respectfully,

J. Geo. Wright,

U.S. Indian Inspector,
for Indian Territory.

A N A C T

Making appropriation for the repairs of the National
Boarding School.

BE IT ENACTED by the National Council of the Muskogee Nation:
That there be and is hereby appropriated, out of the general
fund of the Muskogee Nation, the sum of Two Thousand Four
Hundred & Fifty dollars for the repairs of the National Boarding
schools, as follows:

Wetumka Boarding school.....	\$300.00
Pecan Creek Boarding ".....	800.00
Creek Orphan Home.....	250.00
Wealaka Boarding School.....	800.00
Colored Orphan Home.....	300.00

Said sums to be paid in accordance with such rules and
regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior
for the disbursement of Creek funds.

A D O P T E D Nov. 5, 1900.

A. P. McKellop
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh
Speaker, House of Warriors.

C O N C U R R E D I N Nov. 5, 1900.

Lee McNevins
Clerk.

T. W. Perryman
President, House of Kings.

A P P R O V E D Nov. 5, 1900.

P. Porter

ATTEST:
W.S. Fears
Acting Private Secretary.

Principal Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.---a-41----Pleasant
Porters general letters.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE, May 10, 1901.

Honorable House of Kings & Warriors,

Gentlemen:

I herewith transmit to you an act making appropriation in favor of C. G. Moore, Mary Marshall, J. W. Sanders and C. H. Tully which was passed by your bodies at the last session of the Council, but on account of the withholding of the approval by the Supervisor of Schools, Mr. Ballard, of the item in favor of C. H. Tully, the act failed to receive the approval of the President, or the matter was held up until the Supervisor and Superintendent could satisfy themselves of the justness of this claim. This has now been done, and the same act sent back to you, with the proper changes in date, for re-appropriation.

Respectfully,

P. Porter

Principal Chief.

Read & Referred to the H. of W.

May 10th, 1901

L. McN.
Clk.

T. W. Perryman
Pres. H. of K.

L I S T

O F

Indigents, for the support of which Council appropriated the sum of thirty-six dollars per head per annum.

Coweta Town.

Lucy Hardridge,	Old Age
Dulkey Derisaw,	"
Tipe Marshall,	Blind
Louina Allen,	Old Age
George Turk,	Paralyzed
Chotke Miller,	Old Age
Jennie Atkins,	Rheumatism
Kuser Perkins,	Hemorrhage
John Jefferson,	"
Thomas Lewis,	Paralyzed
Simon Belcher,	"
Lewis Byrd,	Scrofula
Tilda Tiger,	Chronic Sore eyes
Lovina Price,	Nearly blind.

Tuck-a-batchee.

Mapeter Fixico,	Totally blind
Hunochee,	Old Age
Salimi,	Blind
Milley,	Rheumatism
Lowaney,	Old Age
Halah Hopaye,	Blind
Sophia,	Rheumatism

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Samuel Long,	Consumption.
Tar-par-leh-cher,	Blind
Mary Hutka,	Old Age,
Silpa,	Consumption,
Joseph McCombs,	Paralyzed,
Rosa Thlocco,	Old Age;

Euchtihee.

John Coffee,	Rheumatism,
Sera Marshall,	Blind,
Heka Thorney,	Old & Feeble,
Color Fixico,	" "
Jeff Francis,	Consumption;

Tuskegee.

Silka Jessie,	Old Age,
Abbie Lowe,	Paralyzed
Hollet Hogue,	Old & Feeble,
Washington Holden,	Rheumatism,
Lyda Jack,	Fits;

Broken Arrow.

John McIntosh,	Rheumatism,
Mary Chissom,	"
Nettie McIntosh,	"
Sam Brown,	Paralyzed,
Wilson Miller,	Rheumatism & Blind;

Weogufkey.

George Smith,	Blind,
Yon-Hoye,	Old & Feeble,
Pe-ho-ye,	Old & Feeble,
Ko-Sa-Pe,	Old & Blind;

Little River Tulsa.

Louisi Brown,	Blind,
Jennie Caboon,	Paralyzed,
Little Eliza,	Rheumatism;

Thlopthlocco.

Susan Walker,	Old & Feeble,
Bettie Daniel,	" "
Tecumseh Tinor,	Blind,
Jensin Grayson,	Nearly blind;

Ke-Cho-Par-Te.

Martha Eatonten,	Consumption,
Robert Grayson,	Rheumatism,
Martha Seveger,	Nearly blind,

Eufaula-Canadian.

Welakochee,	Old & Feeble
Sapsee,	Old & Feeble,

Hickory Ground.

Amy McGilbra,	Old & Feeble,
Kizzie Sulphur,	Paralyzed,
Disay McNac,	Old & Feeble,
Alporsee,	Unsound mind,

Horkta,	Old & Feeble,
Yarholahayo,	Unsound mind,
Tokorth-Kar,	Rheumatism,
Pe-yo-ye,	Old & Feeble,

Kialegir Town.

Ok-Chiyi,	Old & Blind,
Sa-he-par-kee,	Old & Feeble
Meliza,	" "
Lucinda,	Rheumatism,
John Hill,	Small pox and one arm,
Arpinka-Likey,	Fits,

Nuyaka.

Lizzor,	Old & Feeble,
Silla Fussie,	Paralyzed & Blind,

Locher-Poker.

Hullie Deer,	Blind
William Walker,	Paralyzed,
Chepam Tulledesee,	Blind,
Lucy Brown,	Old & Feeble,
Cotiyah Snake,	Old & Feeble,
Caesar Rogers,	Nearly Blind,

Tulsa-Canadian

Hailey McGilbra,	Old & Feeble,
Jennie Laneey,	Hemorrhage,

Arbeka, N.F.

Choney-Chupeo,	Blind,
Sika,	Blind,
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Cart-cher-Fixico,

Blind

Fish Pond.

Moniyee,

Blind,

Sin-Mee,

Rheumatism,

Chinee-Cochukney,

"

Harley Hill,

"

Suktie,

Old & Feeble,

Greenleaf.

Misey,

Blind,

Linda,

Paralyzed;

Che-var-ha.

Wesley Tiger,

Dumb & Orphan,

Wm. Harrison,

Shot,

Lucinda Cornell,

Paralyzed;

Tuladegee.

Washington Red,

Old & Feeble,

George Hicks,

Blind,

Polly Thomas,

Old & Feeble,

Annie Peter,

Female Troubles,

Pa-Sa-Ka-Powell,

Nearly Blind,

Hillabee Canadian.

Sallie McGlus,

Rheumatism,

Chorly Harjo,

Old & Feeble,

Hitchitee.

Mary Bosin,

Deaf,

Duffie Morrison,

Rheumatism,

Millie Starr,

Old & Feeble

Quarsartee, No. 2.

Sarkyaathkey,	Old & Feeble,
Lydia,	Rheumatism,

Pecan Tullehasse.

Homer Hartus,	Old & Feeble,
James Robert,	Orphan,
Birche,	Rheumatism;

Artussee.

Katie,	Blind,
Ellen,	Orphan,

Eufaula, D. F.

Hannah Mitchell,	Rheumatism,
Helen Sullivan,	Consumption,
Mirsite,	Unsound mind.

TookParfka.

Simpson Hawkins,	Unsound mind,
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Quarsartee No. 1.

Joseph Barnette,	Paralyzed,
Lowissa Barnett,	Rheumatism,
Sapha Herrod,	Old & Feeble,

Okfuskee D. F.

Sahusthla,	Old & Aged,
Annis,	Rheumatism,
Katie,	Orphan;

Tulwa-Thlocco.

Watley Downing,	Consumption.
Wesley Sugar,	Rheumatism in one arm.
Nicey,	Nearly Blind,

Tuley Stues,

Consumption,

Arbekco-chu.

Chemarye,

Old & Feeble,

George West,

Paralyzed,

Arsochu.

Teparkey,

Old & Feeble.

Conchas Tea.

Levina Woodcho,

Old & Feeble,

Grace Bruner,

Rheumatism in one arm,

Wysey,

Old & Feeble,

Wewoka.

Lutchen,

Rheumatism,

Liddy Johnson,

Consumption,

Mehali Johnson,

"

Ok-Chi-Ye.

Teyo,

Rheumatism,

Liza Kanard,

Unsound mind,

Alabama.

Hothle Maye,

Old & Feeble,

Sirsey,

Blind,

Roman Lasley,

Unsound mind,

Thlotho Harjo,

Unsound mind-Feeble

Dickon Pareher,

Nearly blind,

Okfuskey-Canadian.

Salline Johnson,

Old & Feeble,

Tom Rolokey,

Blind,

Snitka,

Palpitation of the heart

Tallahassochee.

Major Loney,
Nehor Yarhola,

Blind,
Old & Feeble.

Hutchechuppa.

Jennie Shawl,
Niza Cooper,
Tyis,
Sayokicher,
Lady,
Musker Smith,
Charlie,
Pettie,

Consumption.
Blind,
Old & Feeble
Nearly blind,
Unsound mind
Paralyzed,
Orphan and Small pox,
" " "

Arbeka, D. F.

Sallie Layan,
Elsie Ranell,
John Laslie,
Marto Chin,
Eliza Perryman,
Liza Fife,

Nearly blind,
Blind,
Old & Feeble,
" "
" "
Subject to fits.

Arkansas, Colored.

Polly Postoak,
Becka Kanard,
Jordin Nevin,
Nalke Hawkin,
Andrew Sullivan,
Mariah Ponds,
Charley Marshall,
Dan Luckey,
Harry Sugar,
Elvis Hardridge,
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Old & Blind,
Paralyzed,
Totally blind,
Paralyzed,
Blind,
Paralyzed,
"
"
"
Blind

Louisa Anderson,	Old & Feeble,
Nancy Lovett,	Blind,
Fannie Colbert,	Old & Feeble,
Harriet Bishop,	Rheumatism;

Canadian, Colored.

Philis Rentie,	Old & Feeble,
Samuel Richard,	"
Polly Pond,	"
Sinta Sango,	Paralyzed,
Susan Durant,	Consumption,
Abbie London,	Old & Feeble,
Silla Franklin,	"
Ned Rentie,	Unsound mind or crazy,
Joe Barnett,	Blind,
Nancy Williams,	Rheumatism,
Teenah,	Rheumatism,
Hepsie Checotah,	Old & Feeble,

North Fork, Colored.

Elsie Cobb,	Old & Feeble,
Bemua Kanard,	Unsound mind,
Elsie Doyle,	Blind,
Rachael Grayson,	Old Age,
Betsy Cobb,	Hands burned,
Rinah Querette,	Old & Feeble,
Sampson Fife,	Old & Simple,
Polly Johnson,	Unsound mind,
Ellen Campbell,	"
Robert Bruner,	"
Quara Carolina,	Paralyzed.

Note.

The above and foregoing list embodies the names of all the persons provided for in the act of the National Council passed November fifth, 1900, approved by the President December third, 1900. Many of the names are doubtless misspelled owing to the fact that the indigents went by Indian names and there being no rule for spelling such names.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--a-43--Pleasant Porters general letters.

Muscogee (Creek) Nation.

A N A C T.

To provide for the support of the Coweta National Boarding School.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSCOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated out of the School Funds of the Muscogee Nation the sum of forty-five hundred dollars (\$4500.00) for the support of the Coweta National Boarding School for the scholastic year ending November 15th, 1900. Said sum to be paid out in accordance with such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior.

Approved and signed by P. Porter, Principal Chief of the Muscogee Nation, on the 12th day of December, 1899, and approved by the President of the United States on January 13th, 1900.



Muscogee (Creek) Nation.

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A N A C T.

Appropriating \$380.65 to be used in buying furniture, etc., for Coweta Mission.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSCOGEE NATION:

That three hundred eighty and 65/100 (\$380.65) Dollars, balance left of the appropriation of March, 1899, for the repairing of Coweta Mission be and the same is hereby converted into a special appropriation to be used in payment of so much of the bill of furniture, etc., bought of the Turner Hardware Company as has been delivered to the said Coweta Mission. Provided, the said sum shall be paid out under rules and regulations of the Secretary of the Interior prescribed for the disbursement of Creek funds.

Approved and signed by P. Porter, Principal Chief of the Muscogee Nation, on December 16th, 1899; and approved by the President of the United States on January 13th, 1900.

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December 16, 1903.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That the election for Delegates to Washington, D. C. be held
at 10;00 A.M. Dec. 17.

Adopted Dec. 16, 1903.

Mildred Childers
Clerk.

Alex Davis
Sp. House of Warriors.

Concurred in Dec. 16, 1903.

Sam Grayson
Clerk.

James (his x mark) Smith
Pres. House of Kings.

Witnesses: S.J. Haynes
Theo G. Stidham

Approved Dec. 17, 1903.

P. Porter
Prin. Chief.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That the election for Delegates to Washington, D. C. be
held at 10:00 A.M. Dec. 17.

Adopted Dec. 16, 1903.

Mildred Childers
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Alex Davis
Sp. House of Warriors.

Concurred in Dec. 16, 1903.

Sam Grayson
Clerk.

James (his x mark) Smith.

Witnesses: S.J. Haynes
Theo G. Stidham

Approved Dec. 17, 1903.
P. Porter-Prin. Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Okla.
a-46--P. Porters general letters.

Muscogee (Creek) Nation.

A N A C T.

To provide for the transfer of Nuyaka Indian Boarding School owned and controled (Sic) by the Presbyterian Board of Home Missions.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION: That there be and is hereby appropriated out of the School funds of the Muscogee Nation the sum of Ten Thousand (\$10,000.00) Dollars in favor of A. Grant Evans, Agent of the Presbyterian Board of Home Missions, to be paid in installments as follows: \$5,000.00 January 1, 1900; \$2,500.00 July 1, 1900; \$2,500.00 January 1, 1901, for all their right, title and interest in and to all buildings and improvements known as the Nuyaka Indian Boarding School, and situated about 15 miles west of Okmulgee, Creek Nation, in accordance with the terms of an agreement, a copy of which is appended to this act.

Said sums to be paid under such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior for the disbursement of Creek funds.

Approved and signed by P. Porter, Principal Chief of the Muscogee Nation, on the sixteenth day of December, 1899; and approved by the President of the United States on January thirteenth, 1900.

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December 7, 1903

RESOLVED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That a joint committee of three, two from the House of Warriors and one from the House of Kings, be appointed to wait upon the Prin. Chief and announce to him that the two houses of the National Council for the term beginning Dec. 5, 1903, have met with a quorum present and have perfected a permanent organization in each house and are ready for transaction of business as he may think proper to lay before us.

Adopted Dec. 7, 1903.

Mildred Childers
Clerk

Alexander Davis
Sp. House of Warriors.

Concurred in Dec. 7, 1903.

Sam Grayson
Clerk

James Smith
Pres. House of Kings.

Lewis Deere, H. of K.
Committee: John A. Jacobs, H. of W.
Billie Yahola, H. of W.

December 12, 1903

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That the National Attorney, A. P. Murphey, be and is hereby required and directed to visit the towns hereinafter designated and remain one week at each place as stated herein for the purpose of consulting with such citizens as may desire to submit complaints to him or who may have any business requiring his attention.

The said Attorney shall be in Broken Arrow during the first week in Jan. 1904, Sapulpa during the second week in Jan. 1904, Bristow during the third week in Jan. 1904, Okmulgee during the first week in Feb. 1904, Okemah during the second week in Feb. 1904, Wetumka during the third week in Feb. 1904, Holdenville during the first week in Mar. 1904, Spokogee during the second week in Mar. and Eufaula during the third week in Mar.

Adopted Dec. 12, 1903.

Sam Grayson
Clerk

James (his x mark) Smith
Pres. House of Kings.

Witnesses: Theo G. Stidham
E.E. Hardridge

Concurred in Dec. 12, 1903.

Mildred Childers
Clerk

Alex Davis
Sp. House of Warriors.

Approved Dec. 15, 1903.

P. Porter
Prin. Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma. ---a-49---Pleasant Porters general letters.

Muscogee (Creek) Nation.

A N A C T.

Making an appropriation for the contingent expenses of the executive office.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSCOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated the sum of Two Thousand (\$2,000.00) Dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to be expended under the direction of the Principal Chief in employing the necessary clerical help for the proper conduct of the business of the Executive Office for the fiscal year ending December 4th, 1900, and in purchasing such additional office furniture and stationery as may be needed, proper vouchers being returned for all such expenditures; such appropriation to be expended under such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior.

Approved and signed by P. Porter, Principal Chief of the Muscogee Nation, on December 16th, 1899; and approved by the President of the United States on January 13th, 1900.

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A N A C T

To provide for the support of Nuyaka Indian Boarding School.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSCOGEE

NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated out of the School funds of the Muscogee Nation, the sum of Fifty-six Hundred (\$5600.00) Dollars, for the support of Nuyaka Indian Boarding School, formerly owned and controlled by the Presbyterian Home Mission Board. Said sum to be applied to the expenses of the school during the scholastic year beginning September 30th, 1899, and ending September 30th, 1900, in accordance with such rules and regulations as shall be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior for the disbursement of Creek Funds.

Approved and signed by P. Porter, Principal Chief of the Muscogee Nation, on the fifteenth of December, 1899; and approved by the president of the United States on the thirteenth of January, 1900.

Muscogee (Creek) Nation.

A N A C T.

To provide for pay of G. A. Alexander and W. A. Sapulpa for being detained in Okmulgee after the adjournment of Council of the regular session to sign acts passed by said Council.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSCOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated, out of the general funds of the Muscogee Nation, the sum of Forty (\$40.00) Dollars in favor of G. A. Alexander and W. A. Sapulpa for being detained in Okmulgee, the Capitol, after the adjournment of the regular session of Council of 1899 to affix their signatures to acts passed by the regular session.

For G. A. Alexander, \$24.00

For W. A. Sapulpa, 16.00

Said sum to be paid under such rules and regulations as shall be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior for the disbursement of Creek funds.

Approved and signed by P. Porter, Principal Chief of the Muscogee Nation, on the fifteenth of December, 1899; And approved and signed by the President of the United States on the eleventh of January, 1900.

Muscogee (Creek) Nation.

A N A C T.

To provide for pay of S. J. Haynes' services before the Dawes Commission.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSCOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated out of the general funds, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of One Hundred Forty-four (\$144.00) Dollars in favor of S. J. Haynes to compensate him for services rendered the Nation under appointment from the Principal Chief in accordance with section 7, page 25 of law book edition 1893, to enter objections against non-citizens filing, for thirty-six days at Four (\$4.00) Dollars per day. The same to be paid out under such rules and regulations as shall be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior.

Approved and signed by P. Porter, Principal Chief, on December twelfth, 1899; approved by the President of the United States on January thirteenth, 1900.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma--a-53--Pleasant Porters general letters.

December 15, 1903

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That four Delegates be appointed to visit the City of Washington, D. C. during the present session of Congress vested with full power to make final settlement between the Muskogee Nation and the Government of the United States of all claims and liabilities growing out of treaty stipulations, including all moneys of the Muskogee Nation which have been paid out without the consent and appropriation of the National Council as provided in Section 33 of the Creek agreement approved March 1, 1901.

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED:

That the Prin. Chief is hereby required to accompany the said Delegation as an Ex Officio member of the same.

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED:

That the said Delegation shall use every effort to secure from the United States Government the reimbursement to the Muskogee Nation of the \$100,000.00 of the proceeds of the sale of lands under the treaty of 1866 which was paid to the Loyal Creeks, the money expended for the suppression of small pox in 1898; the various sums of money expended in payment of salary and expenses of the Revenue Inspector and the Supervisor of Schools for the Muskogee Nation and the Supt. of Schools for the Indian Territory, which said sums of money were paid out of the Muskogee National Funds contrary to Treaty Stipulations; also all other unsettled accounts which may be due the Muskogee Nation from the United States Government.

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED:

That the said Delegation shall also perform such other duties as the National Council may impose by Act or Resolution.

Accepted after amended so as to substitute the following:

Instead of that part of the bill providing for four delegates, that there shall be 3 delegates and one interpreter, the said interpreter to have the same authority in all respects as member of said delegation.

Adopted Dec. 15, 1903.

Sam Grayson
Clerk

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James x Smith
mark
Pres. House of Kings.

Concurred in Dec. 15, 1903.

Witness: Theo G. Stidham
S. J. Haynes

Mildred Childers

Alex Davis
Sp. House of Warriors.

Approved Dec. 17, 1903.

P. Porter,
Prin. Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma. --a-54-- Pleasant Porters general letters.

May 24, 1901.

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A N A C T.

To approve the employment of an attorney for the Muskogee Nation at Washington.

Be it enacted by the National Council of the Muskogee Nation,

That the employment of William M. Springer by the Principal Chief as attorney and counselor of the Muskogee Nation to assist the Delegates of the Muskogee Nation to Washington and for professional services to the Principal Chief is hereby approved by the National Council of the Muskogee Nation. Such employment is to continue for a period of three years from the first day of January, 1900.

The Principal Chief is authorized to draw warrants to be paid out of the general fund of the Muskogee Nation, at the end of each six months during the continuance of this employment, at the rate of two thousand five hundred dollars a year.

Adopted May 24, 1901.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh,
Speaker, House of Warriors.

Concurred in May 25th, 1901.

Lee McNevins,
Clerk.

T.W. Perryman,
President, House of Kings

Approved May 25, 1901.

P. Porter,
Principal Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma. ---a-55---Pleasant Porters general letters.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Indian Inspector
For
Indian Territory,

12633-1901

Muskogee, Ind. T., May 14, 1901.

Honorable P. Porter,
Principal Chief Creek Nation,
Okmulgee, Indian Territory.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 10th instant, submitting an Act of the National Council of your Nation, approved by yourself on May 10, 1901, I would respectfully return the same herewith together with the accompanying papers, and would invite your attention to the form of the certificate signed by yourself, attached thereto. You will note that you have certified this act for approval by the President of the United States, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved June 7, 1897.

On April 6, 1901, I furnished you a copy of the act of Congress approved March 3, 1901, and called your attention to the fourth paragraph on page 22, relative to the submission of acts, ordinances and resolutions of your Tribe, and it would therefore be necessary for you to prepare a certificate submitting this act, and any other acts hereafter passed, unless the pending agreement with your Tribe becomes law, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved March 3, 1901, entitled:

"An Act making appropriations for the current and contingent expenses of the Indian Department, and fulfilling treaty stipulations with various Indian tribes for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1902, and for other purposes."

----P.Porter--a-56----

You will note that the provisions of the act of March 3, 1901, above referred to, requires that the National Secretary of your Tribe shall certify to these acts, and inasmuch as there is no such officer, I would suggest that this statement be made in the certificate which you prepare to be signed by yourself.

Of course, if the pending agreement is ratified the acts of your Council will be submitted in accordance with the provisions made therein, but until such agreement is ratified these acts must be submitted under the above legislation.

Very respectfully,

J. Geo. Wright,

U.S. Indian Inspector
for Indian Territory.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

Muskogee Nation

Okmulgee, I.T.,

May 15, 1901.

I, P. Porter, Principal Chief of the Muskogee Nation, do hereby certify that the foregoing is an act of the National Council of said Nation passed at its extra session held May, 1901, and approved by me in my official character on May 15, 1901, and I do hereby submit the same for the approval of the President of the United States under the provisions of the Act of Congress of March 3, 1901, entitled "An Act making appropriations for the current and contingent expenses of the Indian Department and for fulfilling treaty stipulations with various Indian tribes for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, nineteen hundred and two, and for other purposes,"

Inasmuch as the Muskogee Nation has no officer known as the "National Secretary," I have signed my name to this certificate and caused the same to be attested acting private secretary.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto signed my name as Principal Chief of the Muskogee Nation this the ___ day of ___, 1901, and caused the great seal of the Nation to be affixed.

Principal Chief, Muskogee Nation.

Attest:

Acting Private Secretary.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma--a-56--Pleasant Porters general letters.

May 10th, 1901

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An Act making appropriation in favor of C. G. Moore, Mary Marshall, J. W. Sanders and C. H. Tully.

Be it enacted by the National Council of the Muskogee Nation: That there be and is hereby appropriated, out of the general fund of the Nation, the following sums, to-wit:

In favor of C.G.Moore the sum of Five Hundred Twenty-three dollars and seventy-six cents (\$523.76), being for books and supplies furnished the Muskogee Nation during the years of 1897 and 1898;

In favor of Mary Marshall the sum of seventy dollars and twenty-five cents, being in lieu of two warrants issued to her for school work, which she submitted to the warrant committee for registration, and which were misplaced and not returned;

In favor of J. W. Sanders the sum of Two hundred and forty dollars and thirty-five cents (\$240.35), being payment for scholastic year of 1897 and 1898;

In favor of C. H. Tully the sum of four hundred seventy-one dollars and nine cents (\$471.09), being for merchandise furnished the Eufaula High School in preparation for the opening of the school for the first quarter of 1899.

Said sums to be paid in accordance with such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior for the disbursement of Creek funds.

Adopted May 10th, 1901.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk

Alex Davis
Speaker House of Warriors
pro tem

Lee McNeVins
Clerk

Thos. W. Perryman
Pres. House of Kings.

Approved May 10th, 1901--P. Porter-Prin. Chief.

(endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--a-56--Pleasant Porters general letters.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Indian Inspector
For

D-2322-1901

Indian Territory

Muskogee, Ind. T.,

June 26, 1901

Hon. P. Porter,

Principal Chief, Creek Nation,

Muskogee, I. T.

Sir:

You are hereby respectfully advised that the Act of the
Creek National Council, approved by you on May 10, 1901,
entitled:

An Act making appropriation in favor of C. G. Moore,
Mary Marshall, J. W. Sanders and C. H. Tully"
was approved by the President of the United States on June
11, 1901.

Very respectfully,

J. Geo. Wright

U. S. Indian Inspector

for Indian Territory.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Indian Inspector
For

Indian Territory,

D 2519-1901

Muskogee, Ind. T.,

August 12, 1901.

Honorable P. Porter,
Principal Chief, Creek Nation,
Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:-

You are respectfully advised that an act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on May 25, 1901, providing for the payment of expenses of collecting the tribal taxes of your Nation, was approved by the President of the United States on July 27, 1901, and said act, bearing the approval of the President is respectfully returned to you herewith.

Very respectfully,

J. Geo. Wright,

U.S. Indian Inspector
for Indian Territory.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma--a-57--Pleasant Porters
general letters.

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Be it enacted by the National Council of the Muskogee
Nation:

That the expenses of collecting the taxes of the Muskogee
Nation shall be paid out of the funds arising therefrom under
direction of the Secretary of the Interior.

Adopted May 24, 1901.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh
Speaker H. of Warriors.

Concurred in May 25, 1901.

Lee McNevins
Clk.

T.W. Perryman
Pres. H. of Kings.

Approved May 25, 1901.

P. Porter,
Principal Chief.

EXECUTIVE MANSION.
July 27, 1901.

Approved:

William McKinley.

(No. 13153-
Recd. June 4, 1901)

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma. --a-57--P. Porters gen. letters

EXECUTIVE OFFICE
Muskogee Nation.

Okmulgee, I.T., May 25, 1901.

I. P. Porter, Principal Chief of the Muskogee Nation, do hereby certify that the foregoing is an act of the National Council of said Nation passed at its extra session of May, 1901, and approved by me in my official character on May 25th, 1901, and I hereby submit the same for the approval of the President of the United States under the provisions of an act of Congress of March 1, 1901, and of the Creek National Council of May 25th, 1901, entitled "An Act to ratify and confirm an agreement with the Muskogee or Creek tribe of Indians, and for other purposes."

Inasmuch as the Muskogee Nation has no officer known as the "National Secretary," I have signed my name to this certificate and caused the same to be attested by the Private Secretary.

In witness whereof I have hereunto signed my name as Principal Chief of the Muskogee Nation this 25th day of May, 1901, and have caused the great seal of the Muskogee Nation to be affixed.

P. Porter

Principal Chief of the
Muskogee Nation.

Attest:

W.S. Fears
act'g Private Secretary.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma. ---a-57---Pleasant Porters general letters.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Indian Inspector

For

Indian Territory,

D 2524-1901

Muskogee, Ind. T.,

August 12, 1901.

Honorable P. Porter,
Principal Chief, Creek Nation,
Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:-

You are respectfully advised that an act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on May 25, 1901, entitled -

"AN ACT appropriating twelve hundred dollars to be used in defraying the expenses and per diem of a commission to negotiate a supplemental agreement between the United States and the Creek Nation,"

- was approved by the President of the United States on July 31, 1901, and said act, bearing the approval of the President, is respectfully returned to you herewith.

Very respectfully,

J. Geo. Wright,

U. S. Indian Inspector
for Indian Territory.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma. --a-57--Pleasant Porter's general letters.

May 25, 1901.

A N A C T

Appropriating Twelve Hundred Dollars to be used in defraying the expenses and per diem of a commission to negotiate a supplemental agreement between the United States and the Creek Nation.

Be it enacted by the National Council of the Muskogee Nation:

That there be and is hereby appropriated, out of any moneys, not otherwise appropriated, out of the general fund of the Muskogee Nation \$1200.00 which shall be used to pay the per diem of the members of the commission, appointed by act of Council of May 25, 1901, at the rate of seven dollars per diem each, upon vouchers made by them to the Principal Chief, and the Principal Chief is hereby authorized to issue warrants to said commission for the time served in the performance of their duty, or so much thereof as may be necessary.

Also the Chairman of the Commission shall furnish vouchers for such necessary contingent expenses incident to their work.

Adopted May 25, 1901.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh
Speaker, House of Warriors.

Concurred in May 25, 1901.

Lee McNevin
Clerk.

T. W. Perryman
President, House of Kings.

Approved May 25, 1901.

P. Porter
Principal Chief.

EXECUTIVE MANSION,
Approved: July 31, 1901.
William McKinley.
(No. 13150)

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma. ---a-57---Pleasant Porters
general letters.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

Muskogee Nation.

Okmulgee, I.T., May 25, 1901.

I, P. Porter, Principal Chief of the Muskogee Nation, do hereby certify that the foregoing is an act of the National Council of said Nation passed at its extra session of May, 1901, and approved by me in my official character on May 25th, 1901, and I hereby submit the same for the approval of the President of the United States under the provisions of an act of Congress of March 1, 1901, and of the Creek National Council of May 25th, 1901, entitled "An Act to ratify and confirm an agreement with the Muskogee or Creek tribe of Indians, and for other purposes."

Inasmuch as the Muskogee Nation has no officer known as the "National Secretary," I have signed my name to this certificate and caused the same to be attested by the Private Secretary.

In witness whereof I have hereunto signed my name as Principal Chief of the Muskogee Nation this 25th day of May, 1901, and have caused the great seal of the Muskogee Nation to be affixed.

P. Porter

Principal Chief of the Muskogee Na.

Attest:

W.S. Fears
Acting Private Secretary.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma. ---a-57---Pleasant Porter's general letters.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Indian Inspector
For

D' 2523-1901

Indian Territory,

Muskogee, Ind. T. August 12, 1901.

Honorable P. Porter,

Principal Chief, Creek Nation,

Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:-

You are respectfully advised that the act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on May 25, 1901, and entitled:

"AN ACT appointing a commission and instructing the same with authority to enter into a supplemental agreement between the Creek Nation and the United States,"

- was approved by the President of the United States on July 31, 1901, and said act, bearing the approval of the President is respectfully returned to you herewith.

Very respectfully,

J. Geo. Wright,

U.S. Indian Inspector

for Indian Territory.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.---a-58--Pleasant Porter's general letters.

Act of the Creek National Council, approved
by President McKinley, July 31, 1901.

LETTERS AND ACTS SIGNED BY PLEASANT PORTER,
pp. 444-446.

May 25, 1901

AN ACT

Appointing a commission, and instructing the same, with authority to enter into a supplemental agreement between the Creek Nation and the United States.

Be it enacted by the National Council of the Muskogee Nation:

That there be and is hereby created a commission of two persons to represent the Creek Nation, with authority to enter into such supplemental agreement with the United States as is hereinafter authorized.

The commission created under the provisions of the foregoing section shall be authorized to propose to and agree with the Commissioners of the United States upon the following subjects:

That section six of the agreement entered into March 8, 1900, and ratified by Congress March 1, 1901, and by the Creek National Council on May 25, 1901, providing that the Dawes Commission shall settle all questions of contest, should be changed so that either party feeling aggrieved would have the right to appeal to the United States court.

Again, in section 10, which authorizes the Secretary of the Interior, through the Dawes Commission, to set apart lands for townsites, even where it embraces allotments already taken and certificates issued therefore. This provision should be so modified as to permit such allottee to retain his allotment, or the proceeds of it if taken for the townsite, or relinquish it

at its option.

Again, in section 28 of the agreement, the date of the closing of the rolls for the enrolling of infants should be changed from the first day of July to the date of the ratification of the agreement, which is May 25, 1901.

Again, provision should be made for the rehearing of such cases of citizenship where contest is made against them by the Creek Nation through their legally constituted representatives.

Section 29, providing for the enrollment of certain classes of Creek Indians, those recently removed from the state of Texas, those residing in the Creek Nation, and those who, by reason of nonresidence at the date of the passage of the Curtis Act, should be modified so that they can be enrolled and receive their distributive share of the lands and other property of the Creek Nation, as for the reason that the agreement providing for their enrollment also provides for the closing of the rolls at the date of the ratification of the treaty. The date for their enrollment should be fixed at some reasonable date to be agreed upon in the herein authorized supplemental agreement.

Again, the Secretary of the Treasurer during last Congress was authorized to capitalize the permanent annuities of the Creek Nation. Provision should be made in this supplemental agreement that such capitalization should not be done without the agreement to do so by the Creek Nation.

The said commission shall be authorized to agree to such other changes as may seem to foster the best interests of the Creek Nation, and when they shall perform their duties as herein authorized, before it shall have any force or effect, it shall

be laid before the Creek National Council at its annual session in October for its consideration and approval, and thereafter be laid before Congress for its approval.

The said commission shall act under instructions of the Principal Chief.

Concurred in 5/25/1901

Amos McIntosh
Sp. H. of W.

A. P. McKellop
Clk.

Adopted after amended so to read
five persons instead of Two.
5/25/1901

T. W. Perryman
Pres. H. of K.

L. McN.
Clk.

Approved May 25, 1901
P. Porter
Principal Chief, M.N.

EXECUTIVE MANSION,
Approved: July 31, 1901.
William McKinley

(No. 13149)

EXECUTIVE OFFICE.

Muskogee Nation,

Okmulgee, Indian Territory,

May 25, 1901

I, P. Porter, Principal Chief of the Muskogee Nation, do hereby certify that the foregoing is an act of the National Council of said Nation passed at its extra session of May, 1901, and approved by me in my official character on May 25, 1901, and I hereby submit the same for the approval of the President of the United States under the provisions of an act of Congress of March 1, 1901, and of the Creek National Council of May 25, 1901, entitled an act to ratify and confirm an agreement with the Muskogee or Creek tribe of Indians, and for other purposes.

Inasmuch as there is no such officer of the Muskogee Nation known as the "National Secretary," I have signed my name to this certificate and caused the same to be attested by the Private Secretary.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto signed my name as Principal Chief of the Muskogee Nation this 25th day of May, 1901, and caused the great seal of the Muskogee Nation to be affixed.

P. Porter
Principal Chief of the M. Nation.

Attest:

W. S. Fears
Private Secretary (Acting)

July 13, 1901

United States of America,)
 Northern District, (SS.
 Indian Territory.)

A. P. McKellop, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

My name is A. P. McKellop, I reside in the Town of Muskogee, Indian Territory; that during the Month of May, 1901, and prior thereto, I was the duly elected and acting Clerk for the House of Warriors of the National Council of the Muskogee Nation; that I was so acting on the 25th day of May, 1901;

That the following is a true copy of an excerpt of the minutes of said House of Warriors for said day:

"On motion, report of Committee on Delegation and Supplemental Agreement, recommending that there be two delegates and embodying instructions to same, which was adopted by the House of Kings, after amending so as to read five delegates instead of two, was read and concurred in as amended."

A;P.McKellop

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13th day of July 1901.

W.S.Fears

Notary Public.

Memorial of the Creek National Council,
approved May 24, 1901.

LETTERS AND ACTS SIGNED BY PLEASANT PORTER,
pp. 449-~~4~~50/

May 24, 1901.

M E M O R I A L.

By the National Council of the Creek (Muskogee) Nation of Indians now in session at their capitol, to the Congress of the United States at Washington.

Whereas it is stipulated in an agreement made between the United States and said Indians, that upon the ratification of said agreement the Senate of the United States would determine the amount due that part of their people that were loyal to the United States government in the late Civil War of the Rebellion for losses sustained by them during said War, and

Whereas as provided in the treaty of 1866 between the United States and said Indians the agents of the United States named in said treaty did fully examine all the claims of said loyal Creeks, who enlisted in the Federal Army, loyal refugees and Freedmen as therein provided for property lost by them in said war and after careful investigation of all of said claims and the evidence thereon, scaled and cut down each claim more than one half the amount claimed and for that sum made their awards as provided in said treaty, which awards were duly approved by the Honorable Commissioner of Indian Affairs and the Secretary of the Interior as provided in said treaty, and

Whereas, said Loyal Creek Claimants have waited patiently upon the pleasure of the Government for over thirty years for the payment of said claims and now trusting to the good faith of the United States, Your Memorialists most humbly pray.

That the President of the United States, as required by

---Pleasant Porter--a-59---

said last agreement will without unnecessary delay grant and award to each loyal Creek claimant the amount awarded to him or her by the Agents of the United States and approved by the Honorable Commissioner of Indians Affairs and the Secretary of the Interior as provided in the treaty of 1866, and award to the Creek (Muskogee) Nation one hundred thousand dollars out of said original awards to reimburse said nation for the amount paid on said Loyal Creek claims out of the money of said Nation.

Your memorialists further pray that the Congress of the United States appropriate a sufficient amount of money out of the treasury of the United States to pay the One hundred thousand dollars to said nation and the balance due said claimants found due them by the Agents of the United States as provided in the treaty of 1866.

And Your Memorialists, the National Council of the Creek Nation, now assembled, do hereby ratify the contract made by Ex-Isparhecher as the Attorney in fact of said loyal Creek claimants with their attorney on the eighth day of March, 1900, for the prosecution and collection of said claims, and request that Congress direct that out of the appropriation made to pay said claims that ten per cent of said amount as stipulated in said contract be paid to the attorney named in said contract and that the balance be paid to said claimants or their legal representatives by an officer of the United States as directed by the Secretary of the Interior.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk

Lee McNeVins--Clerk

Adopted May 24, 1901.

Amos McIntosh

Speaker, House of Warriors.

Concurred in May 24, 1901.

T.W. Perryman-President House of Kings.

Approved May 24, 1901.

P. Porter-Principal Chief, Muskogee N.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma--a-59--Pleasant Porter's general letters.

December 17, 1903

WHEREAS: There is now outstanding indebtedness of the Creek Nation in Warrants issued in accordance with appropriation of the National Council for the necessary expenses for the Government in the past above what the interest on the invested monies would pay within the coming year about \$75,000 and

WHEREAS: for this reason the public servants, such as Council members officers and teachers who are paid in warrants and compelled to discount their warrants on an average of 10% which accrues to the benefit of purchasers of warrants and corresponding to the loss to those who receive warrants for the payment of their services and

WHEREAS: This indebtedness of the Nation represented in warrants will have to be paid before the distribution of the final residue of Creek funds and

WHEREAS: there is now on hand in the U.S. Treasury the Revenues collected from various sources and the proceeds of the Sales of Townsite in the Muskogee Nation amounting to over \$300,000 which amounts are bearing no interest now.

THEREFORE:

Be it Enacted by the National council of the Muskogee Nation:

That the sum of \$75,000.00 or so much there of as may be necessary be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the Revenues collected under the laws of the Creek Nation and if this be in-sufficient then the amount to be made up out of the sale of Townsites now in the hands of the U.S. Government for the purpose of paying the public indebtedness of the Muskogee Nation, provided however that no part of the interest bearing invested

---Pleasant Porter---a-60---

funds shall be used for this purpose -

Be it further enacted that the Prin.Chief and delegates to Washington D. C. be authorized and directed to, as soon as practicable secure the payment of same in warrants of the Creek Nation the same to be paid out according to such rules and regulating as may be prescribed by the Secy. of the Interior.

Adopted Dec. 17, 1903

Alex Davis

Sp. H. of W.

M.C.
Clk.

Concurred in Dec.17,'03

James Smith

President H. of Kings.

Sam Grayson
Clerk.

Approved Dec. 17th,1903

P.Porter,

Principal Chief.

Okmulgee, Ind. Ter.,

December 11, 1903.

To the Honorable

House of Kings
and
House of Warriors.

Gentlemen:

In accordance with the resolution of the National Council of the Muskogee Nation, authorizing the Principal Chief to nominate twenty delegates to represent the Creek Nation at the Constitutional Convention of the Five Civilized Tribes, I herewith nominate for your confirmation the following named gentlemen:

James Smith,	R. F. Bruner,	James Deere,
John R. Goat,	Siah Gray,	Amos McIntosh,
George Cosah,	T. J. Adams,	E. B. Childers,
Lawyer Deere,	G. W. Grayson,	Joe Smith,
Lewis McGilbra,	Lewis Deere,	Alex Davis,
Cub McIntosh,	Bunney McIntosh,	Charles Coachman,
J. H. Lewis,	W. A. Rentie,	

Very respectfully yours,

P. Porter
Principal Chief.

Confirmed, December 11, 1903.

his

 mark
President House of Kings.
Witness: A. P. McKellop
Theo. G. Stidham

 Clerk.

Confirmed by vote of fifty-five to twenty-three.

Alexander Davis
Speaker house of Warriors.

Mildred Childers

Clerk.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma. ---a-61--P. Porters gen. ltrs.

December 10, 1903.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That the two Houses of the Council shall vote on the Chief's nominations for Delegates to the Constitutional Convention at 10:00 A.M. on tomorrow, Dec. 11, 1903, and the Prin. Chief is hereby respectfully requested to make his nominations of said Delegates before the time herein above fixed for confirmation by the Council.

Adopted Dec. 10, 1903.

his

James x Smith

mark

Pres. House of Kings.

Sam Grayson
Clerk

Witnesses: A.P. McKellop
Theo. G. Stidham

Concurred in Dec. 10, 1903.

Alexander Davis
Sp. House of Warriors.

Mildred Childers.
Clerk

Approved Dec. 10, 1903.

P. Porter,
Prin. Chief.

December 11, 1903

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That from and after the 4th day of December 1903, the per diem pay of Clerks of standing Committees of the National Council shall be Four Dollars instead of Three Dollars as at present.

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED:

That the said Clerks of standing Committees shall be paid the same amount of mileage as is now paid to members of the National Council.

Adopted Dec. 11, 1903.

Sam Grayson
Clerk

his
James x Smith
mark
Pres. House of Kings

Witnesses: S.J. Haynes,

E.E. Hardridge

Concurred in Dec. 11, 1903.

Mildred Childers
Clerk

Alex Davis
Sp. House of Warriors.

Approved Dec. 12, 1903.

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Indian Inspector

For

D-1431-'00
Act No. 25.

Indian Territory,

Muskogee, Ind. T., Dec. 8, 1900.

Honorable P. Porter,

Principal Chief,

Muskogee, Indian Territory,

Sir:

You are respectfully advised that the act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on November 5, 1900, and entitled -

"An act to provide for the pay of Committee Clerks"

- was submitted by the Honorable Secretary of the Interior to the President of the United States for executive action on November 27, 1900, was duly approved on November 28, 1900, and has been placed on file in the Office of Indian Affairs, at Washington.

Very respectfully,

J. Geo. Wright,

U.S. Indian Inspector,
for Indian Territory.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--a-64--Pleasant Porter's general letters.

November 3, 1900

A N A C T

To provide for the pay of Committee Clerks.

BE IT ENACTED by the National Council of the Muskogee Nation: That the following sums be and are hereby appropriated out of the general funds of the Nation not otherwise appropriated for the purposes herein indicated, to-wit:

One Hundred and Five Dollars in favor of Johnson King for services as regular clerk of the Committee on Internal Improvements from October 2nd to November 5th, inclusive, at the rate of Three dollars per day - \$105.00

One Hundred and Five Dollars in favor of Millie Island for services as clerk, pro tem, of the Committee on Finance, from October 2nd to November 5, 1900, inclusive, at the rate of three dollars per day----- 105.00

One Hundred and Five Dollars in favor of Mrs. A. P. McKellop for services as regular clerk of Committee on Judiciary from October 2nd to November 5, 1900, inclusive, at the rate of three dollars per day----- 105.00

One Hundred and Two Dollars in favor of John G. Smith for services as regular clerk of the Committee on Claims from October 3rd to November 5, 1900, inclusive, at the rate of three dollars per day----- 102.00

Forty-five dollars in favor of Alice C. Stidham for services as regular clerk of the Committee on Foreign

Relations from October 22 to November 5, 1900, inclusive, at the rate of three dollars per day,-----\$ 45.00

Twenty-seven dollars in favor of S. J. Haynes for services rendered as clerk of Special Committee of Twelve from October 23rd to October 31st, 1900, inclusive, at the rate of three dollars per day----- 27.00

Fifty-one dollars in favor of Sue M. Rogers for services as clerk of Committee on Education from October 20th to November 5, 1900, inclusive, at the rate of three dollars per day----- 51.00

Said sums to be paid out in accordance with such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior for the disbursement of Creek funds.

Adopted November 3, 1900.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh
Speaker, House of Warriors.

Concurred in November 3, 1900.

Lee McNeVins
Clerk.

T. W. Perryman
President, House of Kings.

Approved November 5, 1900.

P. Porter,
Principal Chief.

ATTEST:

Acting Private Secretary.

May 25, 1901.

AN ACT

To provide for the pay of G. W. Tiger, Clerk of
Indigent Committee.

Be it enacted by the National Council of the Muskogee Nation:

That there be and is hereby appropriated, out of the
general fund of the Muskogee Nation, the sum of fifteen dollars,
being payment for services rendered as clerk, Indigent Com-
mittee, five days at three dollars per day,

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Lee McNevins
Clerk.

Adopted May 25, 1901.

Amos McIntosh
Speaker, House of Warriors.

Concurred in May 25, 1901.

T.W. Perryman
President, House of Kings.

Approved May 25, 1901.

P. Porter,
Principal Chief,
Muskogee Nation.

May 20, 1901

AN ACT

Appropriating \$15.00 in favor of E. B. Childers.

Be it enacted by the National Council of the Musko-
gee Nation, that there be and is hereby appropriated the sum of
Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00) in favor of E. B. Childers, for
services rendered as interpreter Special Committee on Creek
Agreement, five days at three dollars per day----- \$15.00

Adopted May 20, 1901.

Lee McNevins,
Clerk.

T. W. Perryman,
President House of Kings.

Concurred in May 21, 1901.

A.p. McKellop,
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh,
Speaker House of Warriors

Approved May 22, 1901.

P. Porter,
Principal Chief,
Muskogee Nation.

December 3, 1902

A N A C T

Appropriating One Hundred Two (\$102.00) Dollars in favor of
Susanna Grimes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there by (Sic) and is hereby appropriated, out of the
general funds of the Muskogee Nation, the sum of One Hundred
Two (\$102.00) Dollars in favor of Susanna Grimes, for services
rendered as Clerk of the Indigent Committee of the National
Council, during the regular session of 1902.

Adopted Dec. 3rd, 1902.

T.W. Perryman,

Pres. House of Kings.

Lee McNevins

Clerk.

Concurred in Dec. 3rd, 1902.

A.P. McKellop

Clerk.

Amos McIntosh

Speaker House of Warriors.

Approved-----1902

P. Porter,

Principal Chief Muskogee Na.

----Pleasant Porter-a-65----

November 25th, 1899.

Muskogee (Creek) Nation.

A N A C T.

To provide for the cancellation of National Auditor's certificates.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated, out of the General Funds of the Muskogee Nation, the sum of Fourteen Thousand Five Hundred Sixteen and 92/100 (\$14,516.92) dollars for the cancellation and retirement of all Auditor's certificates held and owned by the following-named persons previous to November 25th, 1898, in amounts set opposite their respective names. Said sum to be paid out in accordance with such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior.

W.C.Trent	\$1359.90	Tate Brady,	\$38.00
Turner Hdw.Co.,	2146.40	A.J.Kennedy,	25.00
C.H.Tully,	3948.60	Robert Carr,	30.66
C.E.Myers,	2069.57	Sugar George,	14.00
J.L.Thomas,	211.95	R.M.Stevens,	71.55
J.E.Turner,	450.00	Wm.Perryman,	49.00
P.K.Morton,	206.50	H.C.Humel,	2.00
Mrs.T.H.Scales,	256.60	F.B.Severs,	74.90
H.H.Holman,	112.40	Joe Simon	25. 25.00
Frank Likowski,	740.63	Thomas Wells,	24.90
H.C.Hall & Co.,	102.25	Charles Coachman,	11.00
Moty Tiger,	716.30	J.S.Robison,	8.40
J.Burdette,	372.80	D.C.Watson,	22.00

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C.E.Foley,	952.46	Lewis Alexander,	6.50
A.C.Sanborn,	528.75	E.H.Lerblanche,	3.00

In all Fourteen Thousand, Five Hundred Sixteen and 92/100 Dollars.

Approved and signed by Isparhecher, Principal Chief of 92/100 Dollars.

Approved and signed by Isparhecher, Principal Chief of the Muskogee Nation, on Nov. 25th, 1899; approved by the President of the United States on December 23rd, 1899.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
Office of U.S. Indian Inspector,

D-55, '00.

For

Indian Territory,

Muscogee, Ind. T., January 26, 1900.

Hon. Pleasant Porter,

Principal Chief, Creek Nation,

Muscogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:

You are respectfully advised that the Act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on December 11, 1899, and entitled:

"An Act to provide for pay of per diem and mileage of Wesley Smith, Roley McIntosh and G.W; Grayson as members of committee to confer with the Seminoles at Eufaula Sept., 1899,"

Was submitted by the Honorable Secretary of the Interior to the President of the United States for executive action on January 11, 1900, and was duly approved on the same day, and has been placed on file in the Office of Indian Affairs at Washington.

Very respectfully,

J. Geo. Wright,

U.S. Indian Inspector, for
the Indian Territory.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma. ---a-67---Pleasant Porter's general letters.

Muskogee (Creek) Nation.

AN ACT

TO PROVIDE FOR PAY OF PER-DIEM AND MILEAGE OF WESLEY SMITH,
ROLEY McINTOSH AND G.W.GRAYSON AS MEMBERS OF COMMITTEE TO
CONFER WITH THE SEMINOLES AT EUFAULA SEPT. 1899.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSCOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated for pay for services
rendered in the conference with the Seminoles at Eufaula in
Sept, 1899, the sum of Twelve and 50/100 (\$12.50) Dollars for
per-diem and mileage of Wesley Smith, the sum of Ten (\$10.00)
Dollars for same services and mileage of Roley McIntosh, and
the further sum of Eight (\$8.00) Dollars for G.W.Grayson for
services as clerk of said conference,
Said sums to be paid out under such rules and regulations as
may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior.
In all Thirty and 50/100 Dollars.

Lee McNevins
Clerk of H. of K.

Adopted Dec.9th,1899.
T.W.Perryman
Pres.of H. of K.

A.P.McKellop
Clerk of H. of W.

Concurred in Dec.9th,1899
Amos McIntosh
Sp. of H. of Warriors.

J.E.Tiger,
Private Secretary.

Approved Dec.11th,1899.
P.Porter
Prin.Chief,M.N.

Approved by
Wm.McKinley
Jany. 11,1900.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

United States Indian Inspector
For

D-1429-'00
Act No.39.

Indian Territory,

Muscogee, Ind.T., Dec.8,1900.

Honorable P. Porter,

Principal Chief,

Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:

You are respectfully advised that the act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on November 5,1900, and entitled -

"An act to provide for an additional appropriation of \$2700 for Euchee Boarding School, for the year 1900-1901."

- was submitted by the Honorable Secretary of the Interior to the President of the United States on November 26,1900, was duly approved on November 27,1900, and has been placed on file in the Office of Indian Affairs at Washington,

Very respectfully,

J.Geo.Wright,

U.S. Indian Inspector
for Indian Territory.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma--a-68--Pleasant Porter's general letters.

A N A C T

To provide for an additional appropriation of \$2700. for
the support of the Euchee Boarding School for
the year 1900-1901.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated, out of the school
fund, the sum of Two Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars, (\$2700)
in favor of the Euchee Boarding School, being the sum neces-
sary in addition to the \$4,500.00 appropriated at this
session of the Council for the support of said school.

Said sum to be paid out in accordance with such rules and
regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the In-
terior for the disbursement of school funds.

Adopted November 5th, 1900.

Lee McNeVins
Clerk.

T.W.Perryman
Pres. House of Kings.

Concurred in November 5, 1900.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh
Speaker House of Warriors

Approved November 5, 1900.

P. Porter
Principal Chief.

ATTEST:
W.S. Fears
Acting Private Secretary.

D-1430-'00

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Indian Inspector

For
Indian Territory,

Muscogee, Ind. T.,

December 8, 1900.

Hon. P. Porter,

Prin. Chief Creek Nation,

Sir:

You are respectfully advised that the Act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on October 31, 1900, and entitled,

"An Act Regulating the Conduct of the Schools in
the Creek Nation,"

was submitted by the Department to the President of the United States for Executive action, on November 26, 1900, was disapproved on November 27, 1900, and has been placed on file in the office of Indian Affairs at Washington.

In submitting this act to the President, the Honorable Secretary of the Interior called attention to the provision which declares that no school property shall be sold without written instructions from the superintendent of public instruction. He states that this would appear to authorize the Creek superintendent to sell or dispose of school property without the approval of the Supervisor or General Superintendent, and calls further attention to the fact that the pending (Creek Agreement) makes provision for the conduct of schools in the Creek Nation, and should the same be ratified, this act would be without any

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validity. And in view of this fact, the Honorable Secretary of the Interior recommended that the Act be disapproved.

Very respectfully,

J. Geo. Wright,

U.S. Indian Inspector,
for Indian Territory.

A N A C T

Regulating the conduct of the schools in the Creek Nation.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That from and after the first day of January, 1901, the compensation of teachers of neighborhood schools shall be at the rate of forty (\$40.00) dollars a month, but teachers now holding appointments may be required to take an additional examination before being re-appointed at this rate.

The average number of citizen pupils required shall be uniform, and shall be fifteen.

Be it further enacted that in localities where the number of citizens is not great enough to keep up the required average, upon the petition of responsible citizens of said neighborhood, a school may be organized to which non-citizen children shall be admitted upon the payment of one dollar a month tuition, the balance of the teacher's salary to be paid from the school fund. This arrangement shall be made only in such cases as the superintendent of Public Instructions and the supervisor

shall determine and only when the appropriation for the neighborhood schools shows a sufficient surplus to warrant such expenditure.

Be it further enacted that the district court houses of the Creek Nation located in the six districts shall be and are hereby set apart and turned over to the superintendent of Public Instructions to have and to hold and use them for neighborhood schools, together with the fixtures and furniture thereunto belonging.

Superintendents of the various boarding schools shall be required to give a bond in twice the amount of funds handled by them in any one quarter. All property belonging to the various boarding schools shall be invoiced and placed on a permanent record, and all purchases shall be taken up on this record of property. No school property shall be sold, exchanged or otherwise disposed of without written instructions from the Superintendent of Public Instructions. All property shall be marked or branded with the name of the school. An itemized property return shall in every case accompany the quarterly accounts of the superintendent of each school.

Be it further enacted that superintendents of boarding schools shall send in their cash and property accounts to the Superintendent of Public Instructions within twenty days of the expiration of each quarter.

Be it further enacted, that so far as the same can be made applicable the "Rules for the Indian School Service," issued by the Indian Office at Washington, shall be used in the day and boarding schools of the Creek Nation. The Indian Office and Civil Service requirements in the examination of teachers and

other employes of the Government Indian Schools shall be complied with as nearly as possible. All salaries paid to employes of boarding schools shall be fixed upon the basis of salaries paid in the Government Indian Schools.

Be it further enacted that from and after the first of January, 1901, no matron, seamstress or other employe shall be appointed or continued in the boarding schools without first taking such examination as may be determined upon by the Superintendent of Public Instructions and the Supervisor to show the competence of the person for the position to be filled. No person under twenty-one years of age shall be employed as a principal teacher in any of the boarding schools, nor shall any one be appointed as principal who has not had at least three years' experience as a teacher.

Be it further enacted that at any time when a boarding school shall be found to have failed for any reason other than contagious disease to have kept up an average of sixty per cent. of its authorized number of students the said schools shall be suspended by the superintendent of Public Instructions and the Supervisor. But if, after careful investigation of the circumstances, the Superintendent of Public Instructions and the Supervisor deem it advisable to reorganize and re-open the school they may do so, otherwise the school property shall be placed in the care of a proper curator and the school discontinued until the beginning of the next school year.

Be it further enacted that after the first of January, 1901, the boarding school at Eufaula shall be made a High School, known as Eufaula Academy. An entrance grade shall be determined upon by the Superintendent of Public Instructions and the
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Supervisor and announced together with the time and place of holding examinations therefor. Students now at Eufaula school who cannot pass this examination shall be transferred to such of the other boarding schools as they may prefer. Students of other schools who have reached the grade required for entrance to the high school shall be transferred upon certificate of the principal of the school.

Be it further enacted that after the first of January, 1901, the Colored Orphan Home, near Muskogee, shall be made a high school for the colored citizens, the appropriation for said orphan school shall be used for the support of the school as a high school. The orphans in the school who cannot take the required examination for entrance to the high school shall be transferred to the Pecan Creek School, and the high school thus established shall be called the Muskogee Academy. The entrance requirements shall be the same as at the Eufaula High School.

Be it further enacted that hereafter the boarding schools shall be opened on the Wednesday nearest the first day of October and shall close on the Wednesday nearest the last day of June.

Be it further enacted that the Principal Chief be and is hereby authorized and directed to inquire into the management of the National Boarding Schools, and the acts of the several superintendents as to their conduct of the schools and the expenditures that have heretofore been made by said superintendents of boarding schools, and in any case where he finds that they have embezzled any of the property of the school, or converted any of the funds appropriated for the support of the school to their own use, or otherwise appropriated the same, and report

such cases to the United States district attorney in order that criminal prosecution may be instituted in the United States court.

Adopted October 29, 1900.

Lee McNeVins
Clerk.

T.W.Perryman
President, House of Kings.

A.P.McKellop
Clerk

Concurred in October 31, 1900
Amos McIntosh
Speaker, House of Warriors.

Approved October 31, 1900.
P.Porter
Principal Chief, Musk.Na.

ATTEST:
W.S.Fears
Acting Private Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

United States Indian Inspector

For

D-1428-'00
Act no.29.

Indian Territory,

Muskogee, Ind. T., Dec. 8, 1900.

Honorable P. Porter,

Principal Chief,

Muskogee, Indian Territory,

Sir:

You are respectfully advised that the act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on November 5, 1900, and entitled -

"An act providing for the pay of M.J. Sango member of the House of Warriors, December 1899."

- was submitted by the Honorable Secretary of the Interior to the President of the United States on November 26, 1900, was duly approved on November 27, 1900, and has been placed on file in the Office of Indian Affairs at Washington.

Very respectfully,

J. Geo. Wright,

U.S. Indian Inspector,
for Indian Territory.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma. ---a-70---Pleasant Porter's general letters.

A N A C T

Providing for the pay of M.J.Sango, Member, House
of Warriors, December, 1899.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:
That there be and is hereby appropriated, out of the general fund
of the Muskogee Nation, the sum of Thirty-one & 60/ 100 (\$31.60)
Dollars, in favor of M.J.Sango, being for per diem and mileage
as member of the House of Warriors, December Council, 1899,
from the 10th day of December to the 16th, both inclusive; said
M.J.Sango having failed to receive pay for his services at the
time the other members received their pay for the reason that
his name was inadvertently omitted from the roll of the Members
of the House of Warriors when the same was copied for transmittal
to the President.

Said sum to be paid out in accordance with such rules and
regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior
for the disbursement of Creek funds.

Adopted November 3, 1900.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk

Amos McIntosh
Speaker, House of Warriors.

Concurred in November 3, 1900.

Lee McNevins
Clerk.

T.W. Perryman
President, House of Kings.

Approved November 5, 1900.

P. Porter
Principal Chief.

ATTEST:

Acting Private Secretary.

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D-1438-'00 DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Act No. 34. United States Indian Inspector
 For
 Indian Territory,

Muskogee, Ind.T., Dec. 10, 1900.

Honorable P. Porter,
Principal Chief, Creek Nation,
Muskogee, Indian Territory,

Sir:

You are respectfully advised that an act of the Nation Council of the Creek Nation approved by yourself on November 5, 1900, and entitled:

"An Act appropriating \$404.00 to pay N.B. Moore and Wallace MacNac, for services rendered as representatives of the Creek Nation before the Dawes Commission," - was submitted by the Honorable Secretary of the Interior to the President of the United States on December 1, 1900, was duly approved upon the same date and has been placed on file in the Office of Indian Affairs at Washington.

Very respectfully,

J. Geo. Wright,

U.S. Indian Inspector,
for Indian Territory.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--a-71--Pleasant Porter's general letters.

A N A C T

Appropriating \$404.00 to pay N.B.Moore and Wallace MacNac for services rendered as representatives of the Creek Nation before the Dawes Commission.

Be it enacted by the National Council of the Muskogee Nation:

That there be and is hereby appropriated, out of the general fund of the Muskogee Nation, the sum of Four Hundred & Four Dollars (\$404.00) in favor of N.B.Moore and Wallace MacNac, being for services rendered as members of the Committee appointed to represent the Creek Nation before the Dawes Commission at Muskogee, as follows:

N.B.Moore,	80 days at \$4.00 per day	\$320.00
Wallace MacNac,	21 days at \$4.00 per day	84.00

Said sums to be paid out in accordance with such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior for the disbursement of Creek funds.

Adopted November 5, 1900.

Lee McNevins
Clerk.

T.W. Perryman
President, House of Kings.

Concurred in Nov. 5, 1900

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh
Speaker, House of Warriors

Approved November 5, 1900

P. Porter
Principal Chief.

ATTEST:
W.S. Fears
Acting Private Secretary.

----Pleasant Porter--a-71----

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Indian Inspector

For

D-1441-'00
Act No. 31.

Indian Territory,

Muskogee, Ind.T., Dec.10,1900.

Honorable P. Porter,

Principal Chief, Creek Nation,

Muskogee, Indian Territory,

Sir:

You are respectfully advised that an act of the National Council of the Creek Nation approved by yourself on December 3, 1900, and entitled -

"An act appropriating \$2324 to pay James R. Gregory, Mrs. Sue M. Rogers and Abraham Kernels, for services rendered as representatives of the Creek Nation before the Dawes Commission",

- was submitted by the Honorable Secretary of the Interior to the President of the United States for executive action on December 1, 1900, was duly approved upon the same date and has been placed on file in the Office of Indian Affairs at Washington.

Very respectfully,

J.Geo.Wright,

U.S.Indian Inspector,

for Indian Territory.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma. --a-72--Pleasant Porter's general letters.

A N A C T

Appropriating Two Thousand Three Hundred twenty-four dollars to pay James R. Gregory, Mrs. Sue M. Rogers and Abraham Kernels for services rendered as representatives of the Creek Nation before the Dawes Commission.

Be it enacted by the National Council of the Muskogee Nation: That there be and is hereby appropriated, out of the general fund of the Muskogee Nation, the sum of Two Thousand Three Hundred & twenty-four (\$2324.00) dollars, being payment for services rendered by James R. Gregory, Mrs. Sue M. Rogers and Abraham Kernels, Committee to represent the Creek Nation before the Dawes Commission, at Muskogee, as follows:

James R. Gregory,	106 days at \$4.00 per day,	\$424.00
Mrs. Sue M. Rogers,	353 days at \$4.00 per day,	1412.00
Abraham Kernels,	122 days at \$4.00 per day,	488.00
		<u>\$2324.00.</u>

Said sums to be paid in accordance with such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior for the disbursement of Creek funds.

Adopted October 29, 1900.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh
Speaker House Warriors,

Concurred in November 3, 1900.

Lee McNevins
Clerk.

T.W. Perryman
President, House of Kings.

ATTEST:

W.S. Fears
Acting Private Secretary.
----Pleasant Porter--a-72----

Approved November 3, 1900.
P. Porter-Principal Chief.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Indian Inspector

For

D-1433-'00
Act No. 21.

Indian Territory,

Muscogee, Ind.T., Dec.8,1900

Honorable P. Porter,
Principal Chief,

Muskogee, Indian Territory,

Sir:

You are respectfully advised that the act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on November 5,1900, and entitled -

"An act providing funds for the cancellation of the
Auditor's Certificates",

- was submitted by the Honorable Secretary of the Interior to the President of the United States on November 27, 1900, was duly approved on November 28, 1900, and has been placed on file in the office of Indian Affairs at Washington.

In connection with this act your attention is respectfully called to the fact that there was no evidence accompanying the same, showing that the certificates which were cancelled and for which each appropriation was made were issued on Court Scrip issued before October 1898, the date when the Courts of the Creek Nation were abolished and in view of the clause in such act providing that such sums are to be paid out in accordance with such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Department and as all warrants issued by you are required to be approved before payment, the act was recommended for approval on the evidence submitted with the understanding that further

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and satisfactory evidence as to the validity of these certificates should be submitted to me, which evidence should be in the form of an affidavit of the Chairman and Clerk of the Finance Committee of your National Council setting forth the validity of this Court scrip and also showing specifically whether or not such scrip was issued before October 1, 1898. This affidavit should be in form similar to affidavits heretofore executed, enumerating the individual claims embodied in the act.

Very respectfully,

J. Geo. Wright,

U.S. Indian Inspector,
for Indian Territory.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma--a-73--Pleasant Porter's general letters.

A N A C T

November 3, 1900

Providing funds for the cancellation of auditor's
certificates.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:
That there be and is hereby appropriated, out of the general
fund of the Muskogee Nation, the sum of Three Hundred Fifty-
nine & 05/100 (\$359.05) Dollars for the cancellation of auditors
certificates, as follows:

Lewis McHenry-----	\$29.30
Ben Wadsworth-----	50.00
Alex McIntosh-----	5.00
G.W.Grayson-----	17.00
A.J.Childers-----	6.30
Turner Hdwe.Co.-----	10.30
Harsha & Spaulding-----	157.25
LaFayette & Bro.-----	21.70
A.P.McKellop-----	61.00
J.E.Kelly-----	1.00

Said sums to be paid out in accordance with such rules and
regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior
for the disbursement of Creek funds.

Adopted November 3, 1900.

Lee McNevins
Clerk.

T.W.Perryman
President, House of Kings.
Concurred in November 3, 1900
Amos McIntosh
Speaker, House of Warriors.

Approved November 5, 1900.
P.Porter---Principal Chief.

ATTEST:
Acting Private Secretary.
----Pleasant Porter-a-73----

APPROVED ACTS
OF THE
CREEK NATIONAL COUNCIL.

Regular Session of October, 1900.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma--a-74--Pleasant Porter's
general letters.

1. Act making appropriation for General Officers of Creek Nation.. . . .8450.00
2. Act appropriating \$25,000 for the support of neighborhood schools.
3. Act to provide for pay of G.W.Tiger. \$36.00
4. Act appropriation \$250. to reimburse Isparhecher for money borrowed for the purpose of instituting suits in the United States Court for recovery of tax on cattle and subsequently paid.
5. Act appropriating \$404. to pay N.B.Moore and Wallace McNac, services rendered as representatives of Creek Nation before Dawes Commission.
6. Act appropriating \$2324. to pay James R. Gregory, Mrs. Sue M.Rogers and Abraham Kernels, services rendered as representatives of Creek Nation before Dawes Commission.
7. Act providing for the support of the Indigent. 7236.00
8. Act making appropriation in favor of Jos. Howard. 375.00
9. Act providing for pay of Guards appointed by Principal Chief for purpose of keeping order during Council, Oct. 1900. 416.00
10. Act to provide for pay of Members, Clerk and Interpreter of House of Warriors, Oct. 1900.
11. Act providing for appointment of two attorneys to represent Creek Nation before the Dawes Commission.3500.00
4.65 Bal.
12. Act making appropriation for Susanna Grimes and Lucy Scott Stewart. 124.50

13. Appropriation in favor of American Book Co. and Goldsmith Book and Stationery Company. 672.01 & 176.00
14. Act providing for cancellation of Auditor's Certificates. 3590.45
15. Act making appropriation in favor of J.H.Land, Reuben Partridge and James R.Gregory, Committee Clerks. 81.00
16. Act appropriating \$42.25 in favor of G.W.Lawrence. 42.25
17. Appropriation in favor of G.W.Grayson. 112.60
18. Appropriation in favor of Theo. E.Stidham. 57.00
19. Appropriations in favor of Louvina Landrum, Stella Wadsworth, Hannah Roper and W.E.Gentry. 502.78
20. Act providing for the pay of Chaplain, October Session. 110.40
21. Act providing for pay of Members, clerk and Interpreter of House of Kings, October Session, 1900. 5757.80
22. Act providing for pay of M.J.Sango, member House of Warriors, December, 1899. 31.60
23. Act to provide for pay of Committee Clerks.
24. Act appropriating \$100. in favor of E.E.McKibban, furnishing specifications for repairs of Council House.
25. Act appropriating \$36. in favor of G.W.Tiger for services as Clerk, Educational Committee, November 1898.
26. Act appropriating \$15.33 1/3 in favor of John Catt.
27. Act providing for appointment and pay of Delegation to Washington in the interest of the pending Creek Agreement. 2490.00. 2042 drawn
28. Act providing funds for cancellation of Auditor's Certificates.
29. Act providing for repair of Council House. 2,000-1985 drawn, Nov. 5
30. Appropriation of \$600. to purchase clothing for orphans at Creek Orphan Home. Oct 5, 1900.
31. Appropriation of \$71.30 in favor of F.B.Severs. 71.30
32. Act making provisions for the new permit law.
33. Act making provisions for Contingent expenses of executive Office. 2,000.00---1910.25

34. Appropriation for the repairs of the National Boarding School. 2450.00-----2086.29
35. Act providing for the support of boarding Schools. 63,300.00
36. Act providing for additional appropriation of \$2700. for Euchee Boarding School, for the year 1900-1901.

December 15, 1903

Be it enacted by the National Council of the Muskogee Nation:
That there be and is hereby appropriated out of the general
fund the sum of Three thousand Eighteen and 80/100 Dollars
(\$3018.80) for the purpose of paying the per diem and mileage
of the members, clerk, interpreter and chaplain of the House of
Kings for session of Dec. 5th to 17th 1903 inclusive.
The said amount to be paid in accordance with such rules and
regulations as the Secretary of the Interior may prescribe for
the disbursement of Creek funds.

Adopted Dec.15,1903

James Smith,

Presdt. H.Kings

Sam Grayson

Clerk.

Concurred in Dec.17,1903

Alex Davis,

Sp.H. of W.

M.C.
Clk.

PAY ROLL OF HOUSE OF KINGS-----Session of December 5th to
17th inclusive.

	MILES	MILEAGE	DAYS	SERVED /	PER DIEM	TOTAL
1.Thomas J. Adams	4	89	13	52.00	52.80	
2.George Goser	78	15.60	13	52.00	67.60	
3.Samuel J.Haynes	0		13	52.00	52.00	
4.Jackson Dunzy	36	7.20	13	52.00	59.20	
5.Samuel J.Logan	73	14.60	13	52.00	66.60	
6.Wiley Buckner	53	10.60	13	52.00	62.60	
7.James Smith	65	13.00	13	52.00	65.00	
8.Jackson Knight	45	9.00	13	52.00	61.00	
9.Simmer	54	10.80	13	52.00	62.80	
10.Goliab Jones	44	8.80	13	52.00	60.80	
11.James Starr	32	6.40	13	52.00	58.40	
12.Roley Taylor	33	6.60	13	52.00	58.60	
13.Ottawa Caine	64	12.80	13	52.00	64.80	
14.R.F.Bruner	74	14.80	13	52.00	66.80	
15.Lewis McHenry	70	14.00	13	52.00	66.00	
16.David Anderson	25	5.00	13	52.00	57.00	
17.Toney E.Proctor	0		13	52.00	52.00	
18.Pin Harjo	39	7.80	13	52.00	59.80	
19.William F.Stoddard	27	5.40	13	52.00	57.40	
20.James Hill	57	11.40	13	52.00	63.40	
21.James Deere	56	11.20	13	52.00	63.20	
22.Samuel Scott	26	5.20	13	52.00	57.20	
23.William G.Bruner	55	11.00	13	52.00	63.00	
24.Joe Smith	50	10.00	13	52.00	62.00	
25.Harley Thomas	77	15.40	13	52.00	67.40	
26.Lewis E.Deere	78	15.60	13	52.00	67.60	

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1595.00

	MILES	MILEAGE	DAYS SERVED	PER DIEM	TOTAL
27.Chofolop Harjo	25	500	13	52.00	57.00
28.David Herrod	72	1440	13	52.00	66.40
29.Sam W.Brown	40	800	3	52.00	60.00
30.John Deere	50	1000	13	52.00	62.00
31.Charles Coachman	47	940	13	52.00	61.40
32.Tobe Hill	45	900	13	52.00	61.00
33.A.P.McKellop	41	820	13	52.00	60.20
34.Billy Y.Barnett	83	1660	13	52.00	68.60
35.E.E.Hardridge	0		13	52.00	52.00
36.William Hill	57	1140	13	52.00	63.40
37.Edmund Harry	55	1100	13	52.00	63.00
38.C.B.Perryman	48	960	13	52.00	61.60
39.Joe Davis	27	540	13	52.00	57.40
40.Timmie Fife	34	680	13	52.00	58.80
41,Mic Emarthla	55	1100	13	52.00	63.00
42.Simpson Fish	58	1160	13	52.00	63.60
43.Gabriel Jimmerson	60	1200	13	52.00	64.00
44.Robert Grayson	30	600	13	52.00	58.00
45.Thomas Frank	47	940	13	52.00	61.40
46.Paro Bruner	65	1300	13	52.00	65.00
47.Sam Grayson	75	1500	13	52.00	67.00
48.G.W.Grayson	75	1500	13	52.00	67.00
49.James Byrd	50	1000	13	52.00	62.00
					3018.80

A86	Wilson Knight,	\$145.00
A87	Samuel J. Logen,	147.00
A88	Roly McIntosh,	143.00
A89	T.W. Perryman,	150.00
A90	Wm. Penn,	123.80
A91	Thomas Randall,	141.60
A92	Wiley Suckey,	151.60
A94	Simmer,	148.00
A94	Joe Smith,	149.40
A95	James Smith,	65.00
A96	Tulmarsey Scott,	145.60
A97	March Thompson,	147.00
A98	John Wesley,	51.00
A99	S.J. Haynes,	27.00
A100	Bunny McIntosh,	48.80
A101	Chapley Yarkola,	135.00
A102	Geo. Island,	147.20
A103	Dave Roberts,	149.00
A104	J.T. Canard,	147.00
A105	Theo. E. Stidham,	69.00
A106	M.J. Sango,	124.20
A107	C.B. Perryman,	149.60
A108	Robt. W. Stewart,	153.00
A109	John Myers,	147.00
A111	Seber Thlocco,	150.40
A112,	Pleasant Berryhill,	140.80
A113	Jas. Broadenax,	141.60
A114	Barney Bruner,	153.40
A115	Thos. E. Holden,	146.40

Gen'l Fund Creek Warrants paid at February,
1901, payment.

D 970, N.B.Childers, \$ 28.57

Issue of Sept. 5, 1900.

A 1	P.Porter	250.00
A 2	Moty Tiger,	150.00
A 3	H.C.Fisher,	150.00
4	Alex McIntosh,	200.00
5	Jeffry Smith,	37.50
A 9	O.A.Morton,	125.00
A10	E.E.Hardridge,	125.00
A11	W.A.Sapulpa,	125.00
A13	G.W.Tiger,	92.95
A14	Johnson Tiger	57.05
A15	B.H.Richards,	92.95
A16	P.A.Lewis,	57.05
A17	Alex Posey,	92.95
A18	P.R.Ewing,	57.05
A19	J.S.Robison,	92.95
A20	Alex Posey,	57.05
A21	Geo.H.Taylor,	77.44
A22	Jas.P.Davidson,	47.56
A23	P.A.Lewis,	77.44
A25	Phoenix Ptg.Co.,	145.00
A26	A.P.McKellop,	40.00
A27	W.S.Fears,	158.00
A28	Phoenix Ptg.Co.,	25.60

A29	P.Porter,	\$ 24.35
A30	Turner Hdw.Co.,	30.00
A31	Leoni Cummings,	35.00
A32	J.E.Tiger,	61.97
A33	A.P.McKellop,	38.03

SEPT. 25, 1900

A34	W.S.Fears,	100.00
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DECEMBER 2, 1900

A35	John G.Smith,	102.00
A37	D.A.Lee,	144.00
A38	J.H.Land,	21.00
A39	Reuben Partridge,	54.00
A40	John R.Goat,	149.00
A41	Jas.Hill,	148.00
A42	John Bright,	149.40
A43	Robt.Fry,	147.20
A44	Parchena,	148.00
A45	David Harry,	146.40
A46	Johnson King,	105.00
A47	Robt.Salumba,	148.80
A48	Eddie Walker,	146.00
A49	G.W.Grayson,	148.00
A50	G.W.Grayson,	112.60
A51	A.P.McKellop,	149.20
A52	Limbo Carr,	146.20
A53	Hardy Manuel,	146.40
A54	G.W.Hill,	144.00

A57	David Dixon,	\$149.60
A58	Theo E.Stidham,	57.00
A60	L.C.Drew,	149.40
A61	Mitchell Yargee,	145.00
A62	John A.Jacobs,	125.00
A63	Millie Island,	105.00
A64	E.B.Childers,	110.00
A65	Henry Harry,	133.60
A66	Lewis McHenry,	145.00
A67	Commodore McIntosh,	112.20
A68	Joseph Bruner,	148.40
A69	Noah G.Gregory,	144.00
A70	Paro Bruner	150.40
A71	Thos J.Adams,	140.80
A72	Austin Anderson	132.40
A73	Billie Barnett,	148.00
A74	Roland Brown,	141.40
A75	Joe Buck,	144.00
A76	James K.Bird,	132.80
A77	Chas.Cochran,	148.00
A78	Joe Davis,	113.00
A79	Thos.Frank,	147.20
A80	Timmie Fife,	142.80
A81	Robt.Grayson,	145.60
A82	Wm.Hill,	147.80
A83	Tope Hill,	69.00
A84	Gabriel Jamison,	152.00
A85	London Knight,	144.00

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A86	Wilson Knight,	145.00
A87	Samuel J. Logan,	147.00
A88	Roly McIntosh	143.00
A89	T.W. Perryman,	150.00
A90	Wm. Penn,	123.80
A91	Thomas Randall,	141.60
A92	Wiley Suckey,	151.60
A94	Simmer,	148.00
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A95	James Smith,	65.00
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Al05	Theo. E. Stidham,	69.00
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Al07	G.B. Perryman,	149.60
Al08	Robt. W. Stewart,	153.00
Al09	John Myers,	147.00
Al11	Seber Thlocco,	150.40
Al12,	Pleasant Berryhill,	140.80
Al13	Jas. Broadenax,	141.60
Al14	Barney Bruner,	153.40
Al15	Thos. E. Holden,	146.40

A116	Walter Grey,	148.00
A117	Amos McIntosh,	144.40
A118	Jimpsey Asbury,	145.20
A119	Moses Asbury,	141.40
A120	Wash Adams,	142.80
A121	Jas. Barnett,	146.60
A122	Wm. Barnett,	149.00
A123	Wilson Beaver,	146.00
A124	Jacob S. Brown,	144.40
A125	Dickson Brown,	149.00
A126	Thomas Bruner,	148.00
A127	Wiley Buckner,	150.20
A128	Louis Bruner,	148.00
A129	Sartie Cowe,	123.60
A130	Joe Canard,	141.20
A131	P.R. Caesar,	149.00
A132	Louis Childers,	151.00
A134	Geo. Clinton,	147.60
A135	Alex Davis,	140.60
A137	Bob Daniels,	149.00
A138	Joseph Deacon,	116.00
A139	Lawyer Deere,	146.40
A140	N.E. Durant,	149.00
A141	Harper Fields,	132.00
A143	Tulmochus Fixico,	51.60
A144	Nocus Fixico,	146.00
A145	Tobe Franklin,	144.00
A146	Wm. Francis,	148.20
A148	Mitchell Francis,	36.80

A148	W.E.Gentry,	97.00
A149	Siah Gray,	146.00
A150	Tobe Grayson,	146.00
A151	Barney Green,	150.00
A153	Robt.Grayson,	146.40
A155	Wm.Hawkins,	146.00
A156	Hotulke Harjo,	145.80
A157	H.M.Harjo,	150.80

December 3, 1902.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated, out of the general funds of the Muskogee Nation, the sum of Twelve Hundred (\$1200) Dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to be used under direction of the committee appointed to contract for the rent of Capitol building to the United States Government, for altering, repairing and procuring furnishing for said building, in preparing same for use by the United States Government.

Adopted Dec. 3, 1902.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh
Speaker House Warriors.

Concurred in Dec. 3, 1902.

Lee McNevins
Clerk.

T.W. Perryman
President House of Kings.

Approved Dec. 3, 1902.

P. Porter,
Principal Chief Muskogee Na.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma. ---a-77---Pleasant Porter's general letters.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That the Principal Chief is hereby authorized and directed to nominate to the Council for confirmation, five competent citizens to represent the Muskogee Nation at the Convention called by the Principal Chiefs of the Muskogee and Seminole Nations, at South McAlister, on the 15th instant.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, By the National Council, that the representatives of the Muskogee Nation, appointed under this resolution, be and are hereby authorized to confer and agree with the representatives of the Five Civilized Nations, as to what policies will be best for them to pursue to maintain their identity and subserve their interests in the state to be organized embracing the country occupied by said five Indian Nations, and known as the Indian Territory.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That they be authorized to present a proposition, for the consideration of the representatives of the other Indian Nations, that an Enabling Provision be added to the Act of the House of Representatives, now before the Senate of the United States, in its action granting Statehood to the Territories of Arizona, New Mexico and Oklahoma, which shall provide that a State be organized on March 4, 1906, of the country owned by the Five Civilized Nations, and known as the Indian Territory; and to agree upon such other matters as may seem necessary looking to this end.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the agreement reached along this line, at the South McAlister Convention, be reported to the National Council of the Muskogee Nation, at the present session, for its acceptance and ratification.

--(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma--a-78--Pleasant Porter's general letters.

October 28, 1904

A N A C T

APPROPRIATING \$6000.00 FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE CREEK COMMISSION.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSCOGEE NATION:

That the members of the Creek Commission created under act of the National Council to negotiate a final settlement of Creek Affairs with the United States, shall be paid a per diem of seven (\$7.00) dollars for each day occupied in the discharge of their official duties, and ten (10) cents for each mile necessarily traveled while in the discharge of duty as commissioner. When in session they shall be allowed at reasonable pay such sufficient clerical force for keeping the records of its proceedings, and shall rent and provide itself with a room in which to hold its business sessions if the same shall be necessary.

BE IT ENACTED FURTHER, That there be and is hereby appropriated, the sum of six thousand (\$6000.00) dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the per diem, mileage and other necessary expenses of the Creek Commission provided for by law, which sums shall be paid out upon vouchers rendered and requisitions made upon the principal chief, all to be paid out according to rules established by the Secretary of the Interior regulating the disbursement of Creek funds.

Adopted Oct. 28, 1904

R.F. Bruner
Prsd't. H. Kings, Pro tem

Concurred in Oct. 28, 1904
Alex Davis-Spk. H. of W.

Sam Grayson
Clk.

Mildred Childers.--Clk.

--(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--a-79--Pleasant Porter's general letters.

December 3d, 1903

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated out of the General Fund the sum of \$14,465.80 in payment of mileage and per diem of the members, clerk and interpreter and chaplain of the House of Warriors for services rendered during the regular session of the National Council from Oct. 6th to Oct. 22nd, 1903 inclusive and from Nov. 18th, to Dec. 4, 1903 inclusive in amounts as set opposite the names on the roll of members hereto attached; the said amount to be paid out under such rules and regulations as the Secretary of the Interior may prescribe for the disbursement of Creek funds.

A.P. McKellop
Clk.

Lee McNevins
Clk.

Adopted-Dec. 3d, 1903

Alex Davis,
Sp.H. of W. pro tem

Concurred in Dec. 3, 1903
Roley McIntosh
Pres.H. of Kings.

Approved Dec. 4th, 1903.
P. Porter,
Principal Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--a-80--Pleasant Porter's general letters.

November 2, 1904

RESOLVED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That the National Auditor be and he is hereby instructed to furnish the National Council at its next annual session exactly what moneys the Creek Nation has, from what source such money comes, and what expenditures has been made by appropriation of the National Council and what funds if any, has been expended by the Interior department without National consent.

Adopted Nov. 2, 1904

James Smith,

Presd't. H. Kings.

Sam Grayson

Clk.

Concurred in Nov. 2, 1904

Billie Tiger

Spk. pro tem H. of W.

Mildred Childers

Clk.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma. ---a-81--Pleasant Porter's general letters.

December 8th, 1903.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSCOGEE NATION,
That-the compensation of Chaplain of each of the two houses of
the council is hereby fixed at a per diem during the time actual-
ly served, of four (\$4.00) dollars, with the same mileage going
to and returning from the council, as that paid to a member of
this body.

Originated and passed

Dec. 8, 1903.

James Smith,

Presid't. House of Kings.

Sam Grayson

Clk.

Concurred in

Alexander Davis

Speaker H. of W.

M. Childers

Clk.

Approved Dec. 8th, 1903.

P. Porter,

Principal Chief.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,

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Muskogee Nation

P.Porter,Principal Chief.

To the Hon. National Council.

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit draft of an act of appropriation for the sum of \$28, in favor of David M. Hodge, who acted as interpreter for the joint sessions of the Council, in the years 1900 and 1901. This appropriation should be made, as there is no doubt that the services were rendered at the instance of a resolution of the Council.

Respectfully,

P.Porter,

Prin.Chief.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated, out of the general funds of the Muskogee Nation, the sum of \$28, in favor of D.M. Hodge, for services rendered as interpreter for the joint sessions of the Council, 1900 and 1901.

A.P.McKellop
Clk.

Adopted 12/3/1902
Amos McIntosh
Sp.H. of W.

Lee McNevins
Clk.

Concurred in 12/3/02
March Thompson
Pres.H. of K. Pro-tem

Approved Dec.3rd,1902.
P.Porter,
Principal Chief,
Muskogee,Nation.

(Endorsed) Union Agency,Muskogee,Oklahoma-
--a-83--Pleasant Porter's general letters.

Adopted 12/2/1902

BE IT AN ACT BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION.
That there be and is hereby appropriated out of the
general funds,

the sum of \$6897.00 in favor of the members, Interpreter,
Chaplain and Clerk of the House of Kings, for per-diem and
mileage for the general session of Council, beginning
Oct.7th to Oct.24th and Nov.18th to Dec.3rd,1902 inclusive.

Adopted 12/2/1902

T.W.Perryman

Pres.H. of Kings.

Lee McNevins,
Clerk.

Concurred in 12/2/1902

Amos McIntosh

Sp.H. of W.

A.P.McKellop
Clerk.

November 2, 1904.

A N A C T

Appropriating the sum of \$200.00 for the incidental expenses of the office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated out of the General Fund of the Nation the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00), for the incidental expenses of the office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, for the fiscal year ending Dec. 5th, 1905, to be paid under the rules and regulations prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior for the disbursement of Creek Funds.

Adopted Nov. 2, 1904.

Sam Grayson

James Smith
Presd't. H. Kings.

Concurred in Nov. 2, 1904

Alex Davis
Spk. H. of W.

Mildred Childers
Clk.

Okmulgee, Ind. Terr.
Nov. 24, 1903.

TO THE HOUSE OF KINGS AND WARRIORS:

Gentlemen:

At the Eufaula Convention of Chiefs and Representatives of the Five Civilized Tribes, May 24th, 1903, the accompanying preamble and resolution was adopted touching the question of Separate Statehood for the Indian Territory and plans and means by which to reach it.

The provisions of the resolution requires the Executive of each Nation to recommend it in his Annual Message and in accordance therewith, I herewith present the resolution with the request that you give it your favorable consideration. However, as the Creek People have adopted the policy of Independent Statehood for the Indian Territory, an election by the people does not seem necessary but instead thereof, I earnestly recommend that you provide for the appointment of twenty representatives for the Creek Nation to meet the representatives of the other nations as provided in the aforesaid resolution, in convention, for the purpose of framing a constitution, under provisions of which a government should be established for the Indian Territory, March 4, 1906.

I herewith enclose a draft of a Memorial to be adopted by the Annual Councils of the Five Civilized Tribes, to the various RELIGIOUS AND TEMPERANCE ORGANIZATIONS OF THE UNITED STATES, asking their aid in securing Separate Statehood for the Indian Territory, with provisions in the constitution of said state prohibiting the introduction and sale of spiritous liquors in

said State when organized.

I recommend that you pass this memorial and provide a small appropriation enabling the Executive Committee to make effective the purpose of this Memorial.

Respectfully submitted,

Prin.Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--a-86--Pleasant Porter's general letters.

December 12, 1899.

A N A C T

To provide for the support of
the Colored Orphan Asylum.--

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated out of the school funds of the Muskogee Nation, the sum of thirty-three hundred thirty-three 1-3 -100 (3,333.331-3) dollars, being for the support of the Colored Orphan Asylum for the ensuing year beginning Nov. 15th, 1899, and ending Nov. 15th, 1900; provided the sum herein appropriated shall be paid out under such rules and regulations as the Secretary of the Interior may prescribe for the disbursement of the Creek funds.

For the first quarter,	\$833.33 1-3
For the second quarter,	833.33 1-3
For the third quarter,	833.33 1-3
For the fourth quarter,	833.33 1-3

In all thirty three hundred thirty three and thirty three - one hundredth dollars.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk, House of W.

Adopted December 12th, 1899.
Amos McIntosh,
Spkr. of H. of W.

Lee McNevins,
Clerk of H. of Kings.

Concurred in Dec. 12th, 1899.
T.W. Perryman,
President, House of Kings.

J.E. Tiger,
Private Secretary.

Approved December 12, 1899.
P. PORTER,
Principal Chief, Muskogee Nation.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--a-87--Pleasant Porter's general letters.

TO THE NATIONAL COUNCIL, MUSKOGEE NATION, OKMULGEE, IND. TER.

Gentlemen:-

During the Council of 189__their Honorable body appropriated Six Thousand Dollars in favor of Wm. B. Horde and C.W.Turner for services rendered in obtaining \$200,000 to make the last per capita payment with. At the time you made this appropriation there was considerable of an upstir in the Council on account of the bogus warrants that were issued and we were unable to obtain the approval of Mr. McKinley. We are now desirous of taking the matter up again to see if we cannot obtain the approval of the President of the United States. As you are aware a great deal of this money was spent as necessary expenses and really we have been treated unfairly in not having received the money long before this and we ask that you kindly take such action as will re-appropriate this money in our favor.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma--a-88--Pleasant Porter's general letters.

Law Office of
William M. Springer,
Kellogg Building, 1416 F Street,
Washington, D.C.

Nov. 20, 1902.

Hon. Pleasant Porter,
Principal Chief, Creek Nation,
Okmulgee, I.T.

Dear General Porter:-

I have received a letter from Mr. Will S. Fears, in which he informs me that your National Council would convene again on the 18th inst., and remain in session probably two weeks.

Fearing you may not be able to put your hands upon the proposed act of your council, in reference to my compensation for services to the Creek Nation, I would inclose herewith, another draft of the same.

The act inclosed appropriates the sum of \$3,687.48, which is the amount agreed upon by us, when you were in Washington last March. This is for services under the act of your council, approved May 25th, 1901; and covers the period of my services up to the time that this act was vetoed by the President, namely: One year, five months, and twenty-one days.

As it now appears, it will be necessary for me to secure authority of Congress for the payment of this sum, as Secretary Hitchcock is opposed to paying me, for any of my services. I desire an act of your council, to show that the Creek Nation recognizes its obligation to me to pay this amount.

As ever,
Faithfully yours,
Wm. M. Springer.

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A N A C T

May 25, 1901

Making an appropriation to pay for the services of attorney at Washington.

Be it enacted by the National Council of the Muskogee Nation, that there is hereby appropriated to be paid out of the general funds of the nation, the sum of three thousand, six hundred and eighty-seven dollars and forty-eight cents, in full for the services of William M. Springer, attorney for the Muskogee Nation, from January 1st, 1900, to June 21st, 1901, being at the rate of \$2,500-per annum as authorized by act of the Muskogee National Council, approved May 25, 1901; that the Principal Chief is hereby authorized to draw his warrant for said amount, payable to the order of the said William M. Springer, and the said warrant shall be paid out of the general funds of the Muskogee Nation.

November 10, 1902

Joint Resolution providing for a delegation to a Joint Conference of representatives of the Five Civilized Tribes and their instructions.

WHEREAS, A joint conference of the representatives of the Five Civilized Tribes has been proposed for the purpose of securing United effort in the protection of their mutual interests and to jointly protest against being annexed to or included within the Territorial limits of any other state or territory and

WHEREAS, The Principal Chief of the Choctaws Nation has suggested that a meeting of the representatives of the Five Civilized Tribes be held at Eufaula, Indian Territory on November 28, 1902,

THEREFORE--Be it Resolved by the National Council; That the Principal Chief, together with four delegates to be appointed by him, be hereby authorized to represent the Cherokee Nation, at the joint conference of the representatives of the Five Civilized Tribes to be held at Eufaula Indian Territory on November 28, 1902,. Said delegation is authorized to appoint an interpreter, if necessary and the delegation is instructed to unite with the representative if the other four tribes in a joint memorial addressed to the Representative of the government of the United States or to take such other action as they may deem best or advisable to express or emphasize,

FIRST

Our opposition to the Five Civilized Tribes being annexed to or included within the territorial limits of any other state or territory.

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SECOND

Our protest against the extension of the law of any other state or territory over the territorial limits of the Five Civilized Tribes,

THIRD

Our opposition to the establishment of any other or additional government over us prior to the individualization of our lands and the dissolution of our tribal government on March 4, 1906, as provided for by existing agreements at which time it is the sense of the National Council for the Cherokee Nation, that the Cherokee people are desirous of being joined with the other nations belonging to the Five Civilized Tribes and admitted as a separate state and the Delegation herein authorized to be appointed is especially directed to take such steps as will give expression to these views.

Passed the Senate Nov. 1902

D.W.Keys, Clerk of the Senate

Wolf Coon, President of Senate

Concurred in by the Council,
Nov. 10, 1902

C.S.Shelton, Clerk Council, M.V.Benge, Speaker of Council.

Approved November 10, 1902,
T.M.Buffington, Prin.Chief.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE CHOCTAW NATION
Green McCurtain, Principal Chief,

Kintah, I.T.,
Nov. 20, 1902.

Mr. Henry Ainsly,

McAlester, I.T.

Dear Sir:

In submitting my views to the delegation that will represent the Choctaw Nation at the meeting of the Governors of the five Civilized Tribes, at Eufaula, Indian Territory, on November 28, 1902; at which time it is hoped that some plan will be adopted that will best serve and protect the interest of the Indian, during the period that yet remains in which tribal government shall give way to some other form of Government; I have these suggestions to make:

We should insist, with all the zeal we can command, that no laws should be passed that would in any way tend to complicate the recent treaties which the tribes have entered into with the United States Government.

That, where further treaties are necessary, any steps taken in that direction should be mutually agreed upon between the United States Government, and the tribes so affected.

That the real Indian is vitally interested, to the end that the present condition remains undisturbed, except in so far as it may become necessary to change or amend the present treaties, with the view to expedite a full and fair settlement of tribal affairs, before the great change that is rapidly approaching.

It might be suggested, in the Memorial to Congress, that the

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Indian's motive, in demanding these things, ought to go unchallenged; while those who insist on the enactment of laws that tend to complicate, and harrass the Government Officers sent here to wind up the affairs of the tribes, are open to many objections.

The Indian is making his last stand, and he has a right to demand fair treatment; while those who urge legislation contrary to the Indian's interest, reap only such benefits as naturally arise through mistaken legislation.

These observations seem to me to be the broad outlines that ought to receive the consideration of this convention, in dealing with the questions that must come before it.

It may be that there will be found among those acting with us, a disposition to go further and demand Territorial Government, or separate Statehood from Oklahoma. These questions I leave to the wisdom of the delegation, and trust that you, in your deliberations, may arrive at a conclusion that will be satisfactory to all, and redound to the credit of the real Indian in this great and unequal contest.

Yours truly,

Green McCurtain,

Principal Chief, C.N.

March 1, 1901.

A N A C T

To provide for the prosecution of claims of the Muskogee Nation against the United States.

Be it enacted by the National Council of the Muskogee Nation, That the principal Chief is authorized to employ an attorney to represent the Muskogee Nation in the Court of Claims at Washington, and the Supreme Court of the United States in the prosecution of any claim, or claims the Muskogee Nation may have against the United States, the prosecution of which was authorized by section 27 of the agreement between the United States, and the Muskogee Nation which was ratified by Congress on the first day of March, 1901,.

Sec. 2. In any contract that the Principal Chief may make for services of an attorney for the Muskogee Nation, in the prosecution of claims, against the United States, it may be stipulated and agreed that the Court rendering the final decree in any case may fix the compensation to be paid the attorney for the nation, in the case at such sum as the court may deem just to be paid out of the amount recovered in such case, but not to exceed ten per centum thereof.

Sec. 3. To enable the Principal Chief to employ an attorney for the prosecution of said claims, and to pay the expenses of such prosecution and for any legal services to said Nation the sum of five thousand dollars is hereby appropriated, and the Principal Chief is authorized to draw warrants therefor to be paid out of the general funds of the nation.

Sec. 4. The act of the National Council of the Muskogee Nation, to authorize the employment of an attorney for the nation at five thousand dollars a year, approved by the Principal Chief, on the day of 1901, is hereby repealed.
 -----Pleasant Porter--a-88-----

LAW OFFICE OF
WILLIAM M. SPRINGER,
Kellogg Building, 1416 F Street,
Washington, D.C.

Nov. 20, 1902.

Hon. Pleasant Porter,
Principal Chief, Creek Nation,
Okmulgee, I.T.

Dear General Porter:-

There is another matter, in addition to that mentioned in my first letter, to which I desire to call your attention. You will remember that article 26, of the Creek Agreement, approved by Congress March 1, 1901, provides that the Creek Nation may sue the United States in the Court of Claims for any claims which the Creek Nation may have against the Government. I am absolutely certain that you can recover the amount of your money, which was expended by the Interior Department in suppressing the small pox, amounting, I think, to about \$10,000.

There is also an even chance of recovering back the \$96,000, appropriated by Congress to pay fraudulent Creek Warrants. There is no reason why these and any other claims you have against the United States, should not be prosecuted, and I am willing to enter into a contract with you for that purpose.

I inclose an act which I have formulated on that subject. Sections 3 and 4 of this proposed act, may be omitted if you think they are not necessary. You ought however, to have a fund of \$200 or \$300 for paying Court expenses, printing petitions, Briefs, and arguments, which is required by the Court.

As ever,

Faithfully yours, W.M. Springer

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--a-88--Pleasant Porter's general letters.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Muskogee Nation.

P. PORTER, Principal Chief.

Okmulgee, Indian Territory,

Nov. 2, 1904.

To the

Honorable Members of the Muskogee National Council,

In regular session assembled.

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith draft of an act appropriating \$200.00 for the incidental expenses of the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction. Your honorable body appropriated the sum of \$300.00 for these expenses last year. This year our Superintendent only asks for \$200.00.

I would respectfully request that you make the appropriation asked for.

Respectfully,

P. Porter,

Principal Chief, M.N.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--a-89--Pleasant Porter's general letters.

The act appropriating \$75,000 of certain monies belonging to the Creek people for the payment of the public debt, has been disapproved, but in the disapproval the Department expresses a willingness to submit to Congress a measure appropriating that amount for the purpose of paying the outstanding indebtedness of the Creek Nation. It was not expected that this would be approved, but simply to furnish data upon which the government could make an estimate for the payment of our public debt.

The act in regard to the care of minors, orphans and incompetents was merely an act suggestive in character so as to bring the matter before Congress. This no doubt will be attended to at the present session of Congress and the greatest need of our people now is some lawful method of caring for the estates of minors, orphans and incompetents.

It has been the purpose of this office to secure as soon as practicable the closing of the Creek roll in order that the residue of the land may be distributed for the purpose of equalizing allotments of such persons as would prefer to take land instead of money. The rolls have not yet been closed, there being still quite a number of cases of applications for citizenship still pending.

Major McLaughlin, who has had charge of finding the heirs and legal representatives of the Loyal Creek claimants, found it impracticable to complete the roll at present, and so far as completed, which embraces over 1000 of the original claimants, was returned to Washington for the approval of the Department, to secure payment in all cases where the heirs to the same were definitely settled, and leave the unsettled claims to be adjusted during the course of payment. The Self Emigration

claimants have not yet received their money, but it is expected that this will be paid during the time of the payment of the Loyal Creek claim. I can not state definitely the time of payment, but it is expected to begin within the month of February.

An order has been issued by the Department to open up the public highways on section lines in the Creek Nation, and directed that Creek monies be used to pay the expenses incurred in doing this. This appeared to be a clear violation of our agreement. Our National Attorney, A.P. Murphy, was directed, and has filed a motion to enjoin the officials of the Interior Department from using our money for such purpose, or for any purpose whatever where it has not been appropriated by our council.

Our people have been experiencing great trouble in the matter of getting possession of their allotments. Quite a number have become involved in troublesome and expensive controversy between themselves and their lessees. This has grown out of the fact that the leases first made were made without any reference to the terms of our Agreement, and in many cases in violation of it. These cases are being gradually adjusted, and such ones as are illegal, and no agreement can be reached between the parties in controversy, have been declared void and the allottee placed in possession. This work has been slow, but is proceeding successfully.

Quite a number of our people have become involved in difficulties with land purchasing companies while listing their lands for sale, and have signed papers unconscious of their contents, which if valid, place an encumbrance on their land which they purpose to sell, and thus lessen the value they may have obtained from such sale. This I believe will be effectually stopped

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by bringing a few such cases to the notice of the court.

In conclusion I will state that as soon as definite action is taken on any subject matter passed by the council, it will be given to the public through circular letter. I would earnestly warn the people, through you, against making any contracts or signing any paper whatever kind or character respecting their land, either lease, rent or sale, unless they are fully conscious of its contents. It would be infinitely better for our people to retain their land, even if not so much profit accrues to them, until they become better acquainted with the laws governing the use of their land. It may be admissible in some instances for our people to make sale of a portion of their land, but as a rule the policy of retaining their land is by far the safest course to pursue.

I leave this evening for Washington to confer with the Department officials respecting the conditions and needs of my people. If anything transpires that would be of interest to the public, I will write you respecting it.

Respectfully,

Prin.Chief.

Sir:-

After the annual council, according to custom, the acts and resolutions passed by the council have been given to the public through the members of council through circular letter. Our October council and adjourned sessions of November and December passed quite a number of appropriations and resolutions, a part of which it was unnecessary to forward for the approval of the President, being appropriations for the necessary expense of the Government. The following are the acts of that character.

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<u>Title of Act</u>	Date of Passage	Amt.
Per diem & Mileage House of Kings,	Dec.4,1903	\$7689.00
Per diem & Mileage House of Warriors,	Dec.11,1903	14653.80
Incidental Expenses of Executive Office,	Nov.25,1903	2000.00
Wm.McQueen, Clk.Conference Committee,	Dec.4,1903	24.00
Clerks of Committees,	Dec.3,1903	630.00
H.C.Hall & Co., Supplies Wealaka B.School,	Dec.4,1903	272.71
Wm.Jimboy, Chaplain May Council, 1903,	Nov.18,1903	15.00
Muskogee National Schools,	Oct.22,1903	76468.40
General Officers,	Oct.17,1903	13500.00
Clerks of Special committees,	Oct.22,1903	256.00
Clothing for Creek & Colored Orphan Homes,	Dec.11,1903	900.00
Joe Haynes, fuel, etc.,	Dec.12,1903	37.45
Parkinson-Trent Mer.Co., Stationery,	Dec.14,1903	38.83
Clerks Standing Committees,	Dec.17,1903	144.00
Clerical Aid for issuance of deeds,	Dec.17,1903	2500.00
per Diem & Mileage House Kings, Dec.session,	Dec.17,1903	3018.80
Per Diem & Mileage House Warriors session,	Dec.17,1903	6191.00
Mary Collins, Wash woman for Pecan Creek Mission----	Dec.17,1903,	16.00
Buna Hearn, Committee on Credentials,	Dec.17,1903	32.00
Expenses Supt. Public Instruction,	Dec.17,1903	300.00
Parkinson-Trent Mer.Co., Stationery,	Dec.17,1903	4.75
National Interpreter,	Nov.25,1903	700.00

The acts which it was deemed necessary to forward to Washington for the approval of the Secretary of the Interior, are as follows:

Incidental Expenses of National Atty,	Oct.22,1903	1000.00
Necessary expenses of National Atty for the year ending Oct.1,1903	Oct.22,1903	719.40
Per Diem & Expenses of 4 Del.to Washington,	Dec.17,1903	6820.00

	Passage	Amt.
To pay outstanding indebtedness,	Dec 17, 1903	75000.00
Per Diem & Mileage of 20 del. to Constitutional Convention of Five Civilized Tribes,	Dec. 10, 1903	2500.00
Expenses of Executive Com., International Con.	Dec. 4, 1903	200.00
Salary of Principal Chief, (Increase)	Dec. 14, 1903	1000.00
Repairs Nuyaka Mission School,	Dec. 2, 1903	2000.00
Members, Clerks & Interpreters National Council (increase)	Dec. 12, 1903	6.00 da.

Those of the above acts which have been returned from Washington are as follows:

Necessary Exp. National Attorney,	Approved,
Pay outstanding indebtedness,	Disapproved
Four delegates to Washington,	Disapproved
Salary of Principal Chief, (Increase)	Approved.

It was the purpose of the council, as indicated (Sic) in the act, through their delegation to Washington to make final settlement with the Government of all matters and things not definitely settled in former agreements. This now can not be done during this year unless the Department should change its policy and invite our delegation to Washington for that purpose, sometime during the present session of Congress.

The act appointing delegates to meet with like delegates from the other Nations for the purpose of forming a Constitution for the Indian Territory not being returned, no action can be taken in that direction until it is approved by the President.

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A N A C T

Making appropriation in favor of the House of Kings.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated, out of the general funds of the Muskogee Nation, the sum of Six Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety-seven (\$6,897) Dollars, in favor of members, clerk, chaplain and interpreter of the House of Kings, per diem and mileage for the regular session of the National Council, October 7th to 24th, inclusive, and November 18th to December 3rd, inclusive, 1902. Said sum to be paid in accordance with rules and regulations prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior, as follows:

Austin Anderson	\$138.40	Noah Gregory,	\$136.00
T.J.Adams,	136.80	Robert Grayson,	133.60
Roland Brown,	137.40	James Hill,	144.00
Billy Barnett,	140.00	George W.Hill,	140.00
Joseph Buck,	144.00	Tobe Hill,	45.00
James Byrd,	146.00	William Hill,	145.80
Joseph Bruner,	144.40	David Herod,	149.00
Paro Bruner,	146.40	Henry Harry,	141.60
Charles Coachman,	144.00	Chofolop Harjo,	133.00
George Coser,	112.80	Gabral Jimerson,	148.00
Joe Davis,	141.40	John A.Jacob,	97.00
James Deere,	147.20	Wilson Knight,	145.00
Timmie Fife,	142.80	London Knight,	144.00
Thomas Frank,	143.20	George Kanard,	144.20
John Goat,	149.00	Sarne Logan,	143.00

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Henche Marthuchee,	\$144.00	Wiley Sukey,	\$147.60
Roley McIntosh,	143.00	March Thompson,	141.00
Commodore McIntosh,	144.20	Victor Wesley,	139.00
Louis McHenry,	145.00	Sampson Yahola,	145.40
T.W.Perryman,	146.00	Mitchell Yargee,	141.00
Wm.Penn,	143.80	Martin Checote,	102.00-Chapl'n
Thomas Randle,	137.60	Bunnie McIntosh,	144.80-Interpr
Tulmarsey Scott,	141.60	Lee McNevins,	149.00-Clerk
Harley Thomas,	141.20		
Joe Smith,	106.00		
James Smith,	145.00		
Simmer,	146.80		

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Adopted December 2, 1902.

Lee McNevins,
Clerk.

T. W. Perryman
President House of Kings.

Concurred in December 2, 1902.

A. P. McKellop
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh
Speaker House of Warriors.

Approved December 3, 1902.

P. Porter,
Principal Chief Muskogee Na.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma. ---a-91---Pleasant Porter's
general letters.

December 2, 1902

A N A C T

Making appropriation in favor of the House of Warriors.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated, out of the general funds of the Muskogee Nation, the sum of Thirteen Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety-three and 20/100 (\$13,793.20) Dollars, in favor of the members, clerks, interpreters and chaplain of the House of Warriors, per diem and mileage for the regular session of the National Council, October 7th to 24th, inclusive, and November 18th to December 3rd, inclusive. Said sum to be paid in accordance with rules and regulations prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior, as follows:

Amos McIntosh,	\$140.40	Thomas Bruner,	\$144.00
Jimsey Asbury,	144.20	Lewis Bruner,	144.00
Mose Ashbury,	137.40	Robert Bruner,	145.00
Wash Adams,	138.80	Wiley Buckner,	146.20
James Alexander,	124.80	William Buck,	143.60
James Barnett,	142.60	Thomas Byrd,	146.00
William Barnett,	146.00	Sarty Cowe,	143.60
James Bell,	138.00	Joe Canard,	137.20
Pleasant Berryhill,	137.00	J. T. Canard,	143.00
Simon Billie,	145.20	Limbo Carr,	142.40
John Bright,	145.40	P. R. Ceasar,	145.00
James Broadenax,	141.60	John Chupko,	143.40
Larry Brown,	146.80	George Clinton,	143.60
Jacob S. Brown,	140.40	Alex Davis,	138.40
S. W. Brown,	144.00	Bob Daniels,	145.00
Dickson Brown,	145.00	Joseph Deacon,	144.00
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David Dixon,	\$145.60	J. H. Lewis,	\$147.40
Lawyer Deere,	146.40	Thomas Long,	146.00
L. C. Drew,	145.40	Hardy Manual,	136.00
N. E. Durant,	148.00	Lewis McGilbra,	144.00
Harper Fields,	143.00	George McGilbra,	139.00
Tulmochus Fixico,	143.60	J. C. Morrison,	143.20
Necos Fixico,	146.00	John Myers,	143.00
Tobe Franklin,	140.00	T. W. Manuel,	77.60
William Francis,	144.20	Wm. McCombs,	144.20
Robert Frye,	51.20	Wiley McIntosh,	145.00
W. E. Gentry,	33.00	Mussa Nohoka,	144.00
Siah Grey,	142.00	Jim Noon,	149.00
Wm. Green,	142.00	W. A. Palmer,	147.00
Barney Green,	146.00	C. B. Perryman,	145.60
Tobe Grayson,	141.20	Enos Perryman,	144.60
Robert Grayson,	142.40	Isom Peters,	141.00
Bustin Hawkins,	146.00	Joe Primus,	148.00
William Hawkins,	146.00	W. A. Rentie,	145.00
David Harry,	152.40	Sampson Richards,	139.20
Hotulke Harjo,	145.80	Dave Roberts,	145.00
Sulphur Harjo,	140.00	J. S. Robison,	142.40
Totkes Harjo,	142.00	Theo Stidham,	145.00
Cobrey Hill,	139.00	M. J. Sango,	144.20
George Island,	143.20	Robert Salumba,	144.80
Mose Jimson,	146.00	Snow Sells,	151.00
Robert Johnson,	145.00	Primus Smith,	139.80
Una Johnson,	137.60	R. M. Stevens,	144.00
J. H. Land,	71.40	Wm. Stoddard,	77.40
D. A. Lee,	32.00	Billie Tiger,	144.80

Barney Tiger,	\$143.60
G. W. Tiger,	144.80
Seber Thlocco,	146.40
Eddie Walker,	142.00
Stan Waitie,	69.20
James Yarber,	146.40
Chapley Yohola,	143.00
Walter Grey,	80.00
A. P. McKellop (Clerk),	145.20
Samuel J. Haynes, (Interpreter)	96.00
Wm. Jimboy (Chaplain),	102.00
D. M. Hodge (Interpreter),	49.00

Adopted December 2, 1902

A. P. McKellop
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh
Speaker House of Warriors.

Concurred in December 2, 1902.

Lee McNevins,
Clerk.

T. W. Perryman,
President House of Kings.

Approved December 3, 1902.

P. Porter,
Principal Chief Muskogee
Nation.

In re Application for Executive Clemency
of SANDY GRAY

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,

Washington, June 16, 1903.

Hon. P. Porter,
Prin. Chief,
Muscogee, I.T.

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of 11th inst, inclosing application for executive clemency in the above-entitled case, and to advise you that it has been referred to the United States attorney and trial judge for their opinions and views as to the expediency of extending executive clemency.

The case will be acted upon in due course and you will be notified of the result of such action.

By direction of the Attorney General.

Respectfully yours,

J.S.Easby-Smith,

Pardon Attorney.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--a-92--Pleasant Porter's general letters.

Committee Room

Dec. 3, 1902.

To the National Council

of the Muscogee Nation,

Gentlemen:

We your Committee on Education to whom was referred the report of Johnson E. Tiger, Supt. of Creek Orphan Home, suggesting an appropriation for clothing be made for the year of 1901-02-and 1903, beg leave to report.

After investigating this matter we find no appropriation was made for clothing for the year of 1901-02 for neither the Creek Orphan Home or Colored Orphan Home, we therefore find it necessary to appropriate a sufficient amount to cover the present need of the said schools.

We therefore recommend appropriations for each of said schools as follows to-wit:

Creek Orphan Home	\$900.00	Colored Orphan Home	\$400.00
Making a total of	-----		1300.00

of which we respectfully submit and request your Hon. Body's adoption of the accompanying Act. We are,

Very respectfully,

Chas. Coachman.

Chairman, Educational Committee.

H. M.B. Clk.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSCOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated the sum of \$900.00 in favor of Creek Orphan Home \$400.00 in favor of Colored Orphan Home, making a total of \$1300.00. The sum to be paid out of the Gen. fund, under such rules and regulations as the Secretary of the Interior may prescribe for the disbursement of Creek funds.

Adopted 12/3/1902

Amos McIntosh

Sp. H. of W.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Concurred in 12/3/1902

Lee McNevins
Clerk.

T.W. Perryman
Pres. H. of Kings.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Muskogee Nation,
P.Porter, Principal Chief.

Okmulgee, I.T., Nov.22,1902.

To the Honl. National Council.

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit a draft of an appropriation of \$2,000 for the necessary clerical and incidental expenses of the Executive office, for the fiscal year ending December 5, 1903. This is the usual sum annually appropriated for this purpose.

I ask your early action in the matter.

Respectfully,

P.Porter,

Prin.Chief.

A N A C T

Appropriating \$2,000 to be used by the Principal Chief in paying the incidental expenses of the Executive Office, and the employment of a stenographer.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated, out of the general funds of the Muskogee Nation, the sum of Two Thousand (\$2,000) Dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to be expended by the Principal Chief in the employment of a stenographer and other clerical aid, and in paying other expenses necessarily incurred in the proper conduct of the business of the Executive Office, for the year ending December 4, 1903. An account of the

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expenditures from this appropriation to be kept by the Principal Chief for the benefit and information of the National Council.

Adopted November 24, 1902

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh
Speaker House of Warriors.

Concurred in November 25, 1902

Lee McNevins
Clerk.

T.W. Perryman
President House of Kings.

Approved November 1902.

P. Porter,
Principal Chief Muskogee
Nation.

December 3, 1902

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there shall be elected by the present session of Council in the manner provided by law four competent citizens of the Muskogee Nation to constitute a delegation to represent the interests of the Muskogee Nation at Washington, D.C. during the next regular session of Congress which will convene Dec. 5, 1902; two of said delegates to specially represent the claimants of the Loyal Creek Claim, and the other two to have charge of the resolutions passed by the International Convention which met at Eufaula, I.T., on the 28th day of Nov. 1902 and to present the same to Congress and the proper Committees thereof and to the Secretary of the Interior and other proper officials of the Government of the United States and to use such means and efforts as may be proper and necessary in conjunction with similar delegates or representatives of the other Nations of Indian Territory to carry into effect the aims and purposes for which International Convention was convened. Adopted, 12/3/1902, after adding the words "The Principal Chief shall be ex-officio member of the said delegations.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh
Sp. H. of W.

Concurred in 12/3/02

Lee McNevins
Clk.

T.W. Perryman
Pres. H. of Kings.

Approved Dec. 3rd, 1902

P. Porter, Principal Chief Musk. Na.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma--a-96--Pleasant Porter's general letters.

Committee Room

Dec.2,1903.

To the Hon. National Council of
the Muskogee Nation.

Gentlemen:-

We your committee on Education to whom was re-referred the claim of H. C. Hall & Co. against the Wealaka National School, for the sum of \$272.71 beg leave to report.

After careful investigation we find that the claim is just and due. We therefore recommend your Hon. Body to make an appropriation to pay this account in the adoption of the accompanying act. We are,

Very respectfully,

Chas. Coachman,

Chairman.

S.S.
Clerk.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma--a-97--Pleasant Porter's general letters.

Be it enacted by the National Council of the Muskogee nation,
That there be and is hereby appropriated the sum of \$272.71 in
favor of H. C. Hall & Co. for supplies furnished the Wealaka
National School, the sum to be paid out of the general fund under
such rules and regulation as the Secretary of the Interior may
prescribe for the disbursement of the Creek funds.

Adopted-Dec.3d, 1903

A.P.McK.
Clk.

Alex Davis
Sp. H. of W. pro tem.

Concurred in Dec.3rd,1903

Lee McNeVins
Clk.

Roley McIntosh
Pres.H. of Kings.

Approved Dec.4,1903

P.Porter,
Principal Chief.

December 3, 1902

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:-

That the Delegation appointed to visit the city of Washington D. C., under provisions of the Act of the National Council of Dec. 3d, 1902 be and is hereby authorized and directed to attend to all the general interests of the Muskogee Nation under instructions of the Principal Chief.

Be it further enacted:- That the Delegation shall be paid the sum of seven dollars per diem each for their services and two hundred dollars each for traveling expenses and fifty dollars each for necessary incidental expenses.

Be it further enacted:- That the sum of Four Thousand Dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and is hereby appropriated out of the general funds of the Muskogee Nation to carry out the purposes of this Act., the said sum to be paid out upon vouchers duly made out and presented to the Principal Chief, said sum of Four Thousand Dollars to be paid under rules and regulations prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior for the disbursement of Creek Funds.

Adopted, Dec. 3d, 1902.

Amos McIntosh,
Sp. H. of W.

A. P. McKellop
Clk.

Concurred in Dec. 3d, 1902

March Thompson,
Pres. H. of Kings Pro-tem

Lee McNevins
Clerk.

Approved Dec. 3d, 1902

P. Porter,
Principal Chief, Muskogee Nation.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma. --a-98--Pleasant Porter's general letters.

P A Y R O L L.

Payment of February and March, 1900.

In favor of

A. Grant Evans, D. 803
 O. A. Morton, D. 520
 Alexander McIntosh, D. 511
 Tate Brady, D. 700
 W. C. Trent, D. 685
 Isparhecher, D. 506
 H. M. Harjo, D. 512
 B. H. Richards, D. 519
 Turner Hdw. Co., D. 533
 Turner Hdw. Co., D. 534
 Geo. A. Alexander, D. 536
 Austin Anderson, D. 537
 Wash Adams,
 Sanger Beaver, D. 540
 Rowland Brown, D. 541.
 Barney Bruner, D. 542
 Billy Barnett, D. 544
 S. W. Brown, D. 546
 Little Bear, D. 547
 James Deere, D. 550
 Joseph Bruner, D. 551
 Ochrum Emartha,
 John Frances, D. 553,
 Thomas Frank, D. 554.
 Woxie Harjo, D. 556
 Joe Buck., D. 557

Received by

A. Grant Evans.
 O. A. Morton.
 Alexander McIntosh.
 W. C. Trent.
 W. C. Trent.
 Isparhecher.
 Turner Hdw. Co.
 Turner Hdw. Co.
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 F. B. Severs.
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Harjo, D. 558	F. B. Severs.
M. Hodge, D. 559	F. B. Severs.
G. W. Hill, D. 560	P. K. Morton.
Tulsay Harjo, D. 562	F. B. Severs.
Tommie Key, D. 563	F. B. Severs.
Wilson Knight, D. 564	F. B. Severs.
Timmie Fife, D. 565	Turner Hdw. Co.
Joe Mingo, D. 569	F. B. Severs.
Washington Riley, D. 571	F. B. Severs.
Billy Scott, D. 574	F. B. Severs.
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Okmulgee, I. T.,

Dec. 1, 1902.

To the Hon. National Council.

Gentlemen:

We, your committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the portion of the Chief's message relating to Lease Contracts, have carefully considered the same and beg leave to submit the accompanying bill and recommend its adoption.

Respectfully,

March Thompson.

Chairman.

Mrs. A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That the Principal Chief shall nominate and the Council confirm a competent citizen to be known and styled "Lease Inspector," whose term of office shall be for one year from December 5th, of each year and whose duties shall be as follows:

He shall have an official seal and may be a Notary Public.

He shall provide a set of books and shall record all lease or rent contracts heretofore made with citizens of the Muskogee Nation, as well as all such contracts made hereafter, all such contracts whether now existing or made after the passage of this act to be subject to his approval, and no lease or rent contract shall be valid or legal unless approved by said Inspector

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and said approval attested by his official seal.

The charge for the approval and recording of the lease shall be fifty (50¢) cents for each lease or rent contract. The record shall show the name of the Lessor or Lessors and of the Lessee or Lessees, the day, hour and minute when same was offered for record, the annual cash rental or the consideration, and the time of the expiration of the lease. He shall make each contract in triplicate or require that same be so made, and shall transmit one copy to the Principal Chief to be filed of record, the other two to be handed, each, to the Lessor and Lessee.

The said Inspector shall examine all leases heretofore made, and if they do not meet his approval he shall order new leases made upon blanks to be provided by said Inspector, or upon blanks embodying substantially the same provisions as the blanks prepared by said Inspector. He shall also see that the interests of all citizen Lessors are properly protected in their leases, and that they receive a reasonable rent for the use of their lands, considering the location and nature of the land.

The said Inspector shall make such rules and regulations as he may deem necessary to carry out the intent and purpose of this Act not incosistant (Sic) with the Agreements heretofore made and now subsisting between the United States and the Creek Nation.

Be IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Lease Inspector shall receive a salary of Fifty (\$50.00) Dollars per month, in addition to the fees for approval and recording of lease contracts herein

provided. He shall also make a report to the annual sessions of the Council.

Adopted 12/2/1902

T.W.Perryman.
Pres.H. of Kings.

Lee McNevins,
Clk.

Concurred in 12/3/1902

Amos McIntosh
Sp.H. of W.

A.P.McKellop
Clerk.

Approved Dec.3rd,1902.

P.Porter,
Principal Chief,
Muskogee Nation.

November 22, 1902.

WHEREAS, The copy of the resolution creating a special joint committee to consider on the part of the Chief's message in regard to leasing, renting and disposing of lands, passed by the House of Warriors, being misplaced and,

WHEREAS, that said part of the message should be acted on by this present session of council, and

WHEREAS, It becomes the duty of the members of the House of Kings to reconsider, the same being none concurred in.

THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSCOGEE NATION:

That there be a special joint committee of two Kings and three Warriors be appointed to consider on the part of the Chief's message, relating to leasing, renting and disposing of lands, and report either by resolution or otherwise their opinion on same.

Adopted after Amendment.

By stricken (Sic) out the words which reads as follows: That there be a special joint committee of two Kings and three Warriors. And insert the words, Judge. Committee.

11/22/1902

March Thompson,

Pres.H. of Kings, Pro tem.

Lee McNevins.

Clk.

Concurred in Nov.22,1902.

Amos McIntosh

Sp.H. of W.

A.P.McK.

Clk.

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EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Muskogee Nation.
P.Porter, Principal Chief.

Okmulgee, I.T.,
Nov. 24, 1902.

To the Hon. National Council.
Gentlemen:

On October 9th you appropriated \$200 to defray the expenses of the delegates of the Creek Nation to the Convention of the Five Civilized Tribes, held at South McAlister on the 15th instant, and on the 23rd of October you appropriated \$500 for the expenses of the delegates appointed under a resolution of the National Council of October 22nd, to visit the Chickasaw, Choctaw and Cherokee Nations, and again on November 20th you appropriated the sum of \$150 for the incidental expenses of the convention to be held at Eufaula on the 28th instant. I am informed that in order to use these appropriations it will be necessary to change the form of the Acts of appropriation and appropriate these sums under the head of necessary expenses of the Executive Department of the Creek Nation. The three sums already appropriated amount to \$850. The amount expended by the delegates to South McAlister and accounted for by voucher, is \$100 and the amount of the expenses and per diem of the delegates to the other Nations, as accounted for by voucher, is \$438.90; making in all \$538.90. In addition to this, there will probably be vouchers presented for the expenses of the delegates who visited South McAlister as delegates to the convention called by me; but this expense will not exceed \$100. This will leave a balance of \$211.10 of the appropriations already made, with which to pay the expenses of the convention to be held at Eufaula on the 28th instant.

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I would respectfully suggest that you repeal the former appropriations of \$500, \$200 and \$150 and appropriate the round sum of \$1,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to defray the expenses of the Conventions of the Five Civilized Tribes, and for that purpose I return your former Acts of appropriation, together with a draft of appropriation which will be sufficient to pay all expenses of the conventions and be in such form that it can be used and accounted for by voucher to the Principal Chief and submitted to the National Council for approval.

Very respectfully,

P.Porter,

Prin.Chief.

A N A C T
To Revoke Previous Acts.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That, by this Act of the National Council, the following Acts are hereby revoked: An Act entitled, "An Act appropriating \$500, or such part thereof as may be necessary, to defray the expenses of delegates to confer with representatives of other Nations," which was passed by the National Council of the Muskogee Nation October 23, 1902, and approved by the Principal Chief on the same date; An act under date Oct. 9th entitled, "An Act appropriating the sum of \$200, or such part thereof as may be necessary, to defray the expenses of representatives of the Muskogee Nation to the convention of the Five Civilized Tribes at South McAlistier," and an Act entitled, "An Act appropriating

\$150 for incidental expenses of the Executive Office," passed by the National Council on the 20th day of November and approved by the Principal Chief November 21st, 1902.

Adopted November 24, 1902.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh,
Speaker House of Warriors

Approved November 25, 1902.

Lee McNevins,
Clerk.

T.W. Perryman,
President House of Kings.

Approved November 1902.

P. Porter,
Principal Chief, Muskogee
Nation.

A N A C T

Appropriating One Thousand (\$1,000) Dollars for Incidental Expenses of the Executive Office.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated, out of the general funds of the Muskogee Nation, the sum of One Thousand (\$1,000) Dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for Incidental Expenses of the Executive Department; said expenses to be accounted for by voucher and reported to the National Council of the Muskogee Nation by the Principal Chief.

Adopted November 24, 1902.

A.P. McKellop--Clerk

Amos McIntosh-Speaker H. of W.

Concurred in Nov. 25, 1902.

Lee McNevins--Clerk.

T.W. Perryman-Pres. H. of Kings.

Approved Nov. 25, 1902.

P. Porter-Principal Chief, Musk. Na.

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A R E S O L U T I O N

Appropriating Five Hundred (\$500) Dollars, or such part thereof as may be necessary, to defray the expenses of delegates to confer with representatives of other nations.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That the sum of Five Hundred (\$500) Dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and the same is hereby appropriated to defray the expenses of the delegates, appointed under a resolution of the National Council of October 22, 1902, to visit the Choctaw, Chickasaw, and Cherokee Nations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That said appropriation shall also be applicable to defray the expenses of the representatives of the Creek Nation to such convention as may be agreed upon to be held by the Five Civilized Nations of the Indian Territory. Said expenditures shall be accounted for by voucher to the Principal Chief.

Adopted October 23, 1902.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh
Speaker House of Warriors.

Concurred in October 23, 1902.

Lee McNevins,
Clerk.

T.W. Perryman,
President House of Kings.

Approved October 23, 1902.

P. Porter,
Principal Chief, Muskogee Na.

October 9th, 1902.

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200) be, and the same is hereby appropriated to defray the expenses of the aforesaid delegates or representatives of the Muskogee Nation, and that said sum, or such part thereof as be necessary, be expended to pay the per diem and expenses of the aforesaid delegates or representatives, and that the sum of expenditures be accounted for by voucher to the Principal Chief.

Adopted October 9th, 1902.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh,
Speaker H. of W.

Concurred in 10/9/1902.

Lee McNevins,
Clerk.

T.W. Perryman,
Pres. H. of K.

Approved October 9th, 1902.

P. Porter,
Prin. Chief.

M.N.

WHEREAS:- The Creek Nation, through its Principal Chief, P. Porter, originated the idea of concerted action by the Five Civilized Nations in their opposition to the annexation of their Nations to any state or Territory, and

WHEREAS: In pursuance of this idea the chief of the Choctaw Nation, has, by request of the Creek Nation, called a convention of delegates of the Five Nations to meet at Eufaula, Creek Nation on Nov. 28th, 1902, and

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WHEREAS: It becomes the duty of the Creek Nation to furnish a suitable room or hall for the meeting of said convention and to bear other necessary expenses, incidental to said convention, and

WHEREAS:- It is also of the highest importance to the Creek Nation that it should be furnished with a full and accurate report of the proceedings of the Convention, for which purpose a Competent stenographer should be employed to act as stenographer and general secretary of the Delegates representing the Creek Nation, and

WHEREAS:- The chief should have at his disposal, sufficient funds to defray the expenses incident to said Convention as above indicated-

THEREFORE

Be it enacted by the National Council of the Muskogee Nation, That there be and is hereby appropriated out of the General Funds of the Creek Nation the sum of \$150.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary, as incidental expenses of the Executive office.

Adopted-Nov. 20, 1902
Amos McIntosh
Speaker H. of W.

A.P. McK.
Clerk.

Concurred in Nov. 20, 1902
T.W. Perryman
Pres. H. of Kings.

Lee McNeVins
Clk.

Approved Nov. 21, 1902
P. Porter,
Principal Chief,
M.N

-----Pleasant Porter-a-101-----

December 15, 1903

TO THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVE
OF THE UNITED STATES IN CONGRESS ASSEMBLED.

We, your memorialists, the National Council of the Muskogee or Creek Nation in regular session assembled, realizing that the Indians of the Five Civilized Tribes, namely, the Creeks, Choctaws, Chickasaws, Cherokees and Seminoles, must soon discontinue their tribal relations and assume the responsibilities of the United States Citizenship; and knowing that the Indians of the Five Tribes would be more fully protected in their property holding, and therefore better satisfied with their new surroundings if permitted to have a hand in shaping the policy of the Government under which they will live in the near future; and knowing that the Indians would have more influence in the organization of a state formed out of Indian Territory alone, hereby adopt the recommendations of the Chief Executive of the Five Civilized Tribes issued in convention at Eufaula, Indian Territory, May 21, 1903.

This convention was the outcome of a meeting held by the Indians of the Five Tribes at the same place on November 28, 1902, when they protested against any legislation by Congress whereby Indian Territory may be organized into a Territorial Government or be annexed to Oklahoma, prior to March 4, 1906, the date fixed in the late agreements with the said Five tribes for the dissolution of their Tribal Governments. The desire of the Indians is that a state be formed of Indian Territory upon the dissolution of their Tribal Governments in order that they may incorporate in the Constitutions a provision prohibiting the sale of intoxicating

liquors in the new state.

A prohibition clause could not be embodied in a constitution of a State formed by the union of Oklahoma and Indian Territory, because Oklahoma is now a Saloon Territory.

It is well known that the political, civil and religious conditions of the Indians in the Territory of Oklahoma are seriously affected by the liquor traffic, which is no where more arrogant than in Oklahoma. The extension of the liquor business over Indian Territory is earnestly desired by the wholesale liquor dealers of the United States. The daily papers of the Middle West have published the statement that the liquor dealers have already pooled their interests and arranged to maintain a strong lobby in Washington until the Indian Territory is made a part of Oklahoma. The Creek people maintain a high standard of morality and religion, which will, beyond any doubt, be seriously lowered if not totally destroyed, if they be exposed to the baneful influences of free saloons. This consideration alone should receive the careful attention of Congress.

Congress has at all times prohibited the introduction or sale of intoxicants in this country as will be shown by the acts of Congress quoted below; and we believe there was no time when the Indians needed protection more from that evil than they will when they become citizens of an independent State and shall no longer be under the control of Congress and the Department of the Interior.

"No ardent spirits shall be introduced, under any pretense, into the Indian Country."

Section 2139, U.S.Stat. "The United States agrees to maintain
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strict laws in said Nation against the Introduction, sale, barter, or giving away, of liquors or intoxicants of any kind whatsoever." Creek agreement of March 1, 1901.

The United States has guaranteed us against absorption by other States or Territories without our consent, and has also assured us of Separate Statehood for Indian Territory. "The United States do solemnly agree and bind themselves that no portion of either of the tracts of Country defined in the first and second articles of this agreement shall ever be embraced or included within or annexed to any Territory or State without the full and free consent of the legislative authority of the Tribe owning the same. "Creek Treaty Aug. 4, 1856. The last act of Congress, which also was the entering wedge for the description of the Indian Governments of the Territory, in defining the objects for which the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, (Dawes Commission), was created reads as follows: "With a view to such an adjustment, upon the basis of justice and equity, as may, with the consent of such Nations or Tribes of Indians, so far as may be necessary, be requisite and suitable, to enable the ultimate creation of a State or State of the Union which shall embrace the lands within the Indian Territory." Act of Congress of 1893.

The Five Tribes do not base their appeal for a Separate State alone on the pledges of the United States Government.

The area, population, mineral resources and fertile soil of their country, are in themselves sufficient to entitle them to separate Statehood.

In area the Indian Territory is: Twenty-nine times as large as Rhode Island, Sixteen times as large as Delaware, Six

times as large as Connecticut, Four times as large as New Jersey, almost four times as large as Massachusetts, Three times as large as New Hampshire, Three times as large Vermont, Three times as large as Maryland.

Indian Territory has 6000 square miles more than West Virginia, 1500 square miles more than Maine, 1200 more than South Carolina, is practically the size of Indiana and is four fifths the size of either Ohio, Kentucky, Virginia or Tennessee.

According to the census of 1900, the population of the Indian Territory was 392,060 which exceeded the population of seven states and five Territories, namely:

Nine times that of Nevada,

Six times that of Alaska,

Four times that of Wyoming,

Three times that of Arizona,

Twice that of Hawaii,

Twice that of Delaware,

Twice that of Idaho,

Twice that of New Mexico,

148,000 more than Montana,

113,000 more than District of Columbia,

115,000 more than Utah,

72,000 more than North Dakota.

Since the last census, emigration to the Indian Territory has been enormous and it is safe to say that the present population exceeds that of either Oklahoma, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Washington, Colorado, Florida or New Hampshire.

In natural resources the Indian Territory is not surpassed by any state in the Union. Oil and natural gas have been

developed in each of the five Nations, but on account of the holding of the lands in common, have not been operated.

The same condition obtains with reference to lead, zinc, tin, and other minerals. The coal and asphalt deposits of the Indian Territory are superior to those of any state in the South West. The coal industry is but in its infancy, and yet the annual report of the United States Mine Inspector for the year ending June 30, 1903, will show that during the year more than 3,000,000 tons of coal were mined in the Choctaw Nation alone. In each of the other Nations are extensive fields of coal which are being rapidly developed and operated.

The Indian Territory has the most productive soil, four fifths of which may be profitably farmed. Citizens of the five Tribes have been prominent in the up building of the Indian Territory, and are today foremost in all enterprises for its permanent development. Proof of this is, that of the Board of seven Commissioners, selected to co-operate with the Interior Department in management of the Indian Territory Exhibit at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, five are citizens of the Five Civilized Tribes.

The citizens of the Five Tribes are qualified to organize a State Government, and, in asking that they be permitted so to do, are not ignoring the non-citizens of Indian Territory, but, on the contrary, are soliciting their advice and co-operation and are assured of their hearty support.

Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

Sec. 1. That we most earnestly and respectfully request that the Congress of the United States fulfill the sacred pledges

made to the Indians of the Five Tribes and permit them, together with the non-citizens of Indian Territory to organize a State embracing the lands now occupied by the Five Civilized Tribes to become effective at the expiration of the several Tribal Governments on March 4, 1906.

Sec. 2. That we emphatically protest against any legislation by Congress providing for the annexation of the Indian Territory to Oklahoma, either in whole or in part, or for a Territorial form of Government for Indian Territory either now or hereafter.

Sec. 3. That the Private Secretary of the Prin. Chief is hereby instructed to furnish certified copies of this memorial to the Chairman of the Committee of the Five Civilized Tribes, who is directed to forward copies to the President and Secretary of the Interior with the request that the latter transmit the same to Congress.

Sec. 4. These Resolutions to take effect and be in force from and after passage and approval.

Adopted Dec.15,1903

Alex Davis,

Sp.H. of W.

Mildred Childers,
Clk.

Concurred in
James Smith,
Presdt. H. Kings.

Sam.Grayson
Clk.

A N . A C T

December 3, 1902.

Providing instructions, per diem and expenses of delegates to
Washington.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That the delegates appointed to visit the City of
Washington, D. C., under provisions of the Act of the National
Council of December 3rd, 1902, be and are hereby authorized and
directed to attend to all general interests of the Muskogee Na-
tion, under instructions of the Principal Chief.

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the delegation shall be
paid the sum of Seven (\$7.00) Dollars per diem, each, for their
services and Two Hundred (\$200) Dollars, each, for traveling
expenses and Fifty (\$50.00) Dollars, each, for necessary inciden-
tal expenses.

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the sum of Two Thousand
(\$2,000) Dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and
is hereby appropriated, out of the general funds of the Muskogee
Nation, to carry out the purposes of this Act, the said sum to be
paid out upon vouchers duly made out and presented to the Princi-
pal Chief. Said sum of Two Thousand (\$2,000) Dollars to be
paid under such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the
Secretary of the Interior for the disbursement of Creek funds.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Adopted December 3, 1902.
Amos McIntosh
Speaker House of Warriors.

Lee McNeVins,
Clerk.

Concurred in December 3, 1902.
T.W. Perryman
President House of Kings.
Approved Dec. 3, 1902-P. Porter-
Principal Chief, Muskogee Nation.

---(Endorsed) Union Agency,
Muskogee, Okla.-a-102-P. Porter's
general letters.---

October 23, 1902.

Making appropriation of Eighty-six and 40/100 (\$86.40) Dollars in favor of Mary, Ida, Polly, Lizzie, Stanley, and Glover Chisholm.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated out of the general funds of the Muskogee Nation, the sum of Fourteen and 40/100 (\$14.40), per capita, in favor of Mary Chisholm, Ida Chisholm, Polly Chisholm, Lizzie Chisholm, Stanley Chisholm, and Glover Chisholm, amounting in all to Eighty-six and 40/100 (\$86.40) Dollars; said per capita amount being the same as paid to other Creek citizens in 1895. Said sum to be paid according to such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior for the disbursement of Creek funds.

Adopted October 22, 1902.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh
Speaker House of Warriors.

Lee McNe vins,
Clerk.

Concurred in October 23, 1902.
T.W. Perryman,
President House of Kings.

Approved October 23, 1902.

P. Porter,
Principal Chief, Muskogee,
Nation.

A N A C T

October 23, 1902.

Making appropriation in favor of Alfred F. Goat for services
rendered as railroad tie agent.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated out of the
general funds of the Muskogee Nation, the sum of One Hundred and
Fifty (\$150) Dollars, in favor of Alfred F. Goate, for services
rendered as railroad-tie agent. Said sum to be paid under such
rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of
the Interior for the disbursement of the Creek funds.

Adopted October 23, 1902.

Lee McNevins,
Clerk.

T.W. Perryman
President House of Kings.

Concurred in October 23, 1902.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh
Speaker House of Warriors.

Approved October 23, 1902.

P. Porter,
Principal Chief, Muskogee
Nation.

A N A C T

October 24, 1902.

Making appropriation in favor of Spaulding-Hutchison Mer. Co.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated out of the general funds of the Muskogee Nation, the sum of Eighty-five and 5/100 (\$83.05) Dollars, in favor of Spaulding-Hutchinson Mercantile Company, for supplies furnished the Creek Orphan Home.

Said amount to be paid out of the general funds of the Muskogee Nation, under such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior for the disbursement of Creek funds.

Adopted October 24, 1902.

Lee McNeVins
Clerk.

T.W. Perryman
President House of Kings.

Concurred in October 24, 1902.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk

Amos McIntosh
Speaker House of Warriors.

Approved October 24, 1902.

P. Porter,
Principal Chief Muskogee Nation.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma--a-105--Pleasant Porter's general letters.

A N A C T

October 24, 1902.

Making appropriation in favor of John McIntosh.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That the sum of Forty-two (\$42.00) Dollars be and is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury of the Creek Nation not otherwise appropriated, as per diem due John McIntosh for services rendered as per diem due John McIntosh for services rendered as clerk of the special Joint Committee appointed to consider and separate the subjects contained in the annual message of the Principal Chief, submitted to the regular session of the National Council which convened October 7th, 1902: said amount to be paid in accordance with such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior for the disbursement of Creek Funds.

Adopted October 24, 1902.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.Amos McIntosh
Speaker House of Warriors.

Concurred in October 24, 1902.

Lee McNevins,
Clerk.T.W. Perryman,
President House of Kings.

Approved October 24, 1902.

P. Porter,

Principal Chief, Muskogee, Nation.

A N A C T

October 17, 1902.

Making appropriation in favor of W. A. Palmer
for services rendered as Auditor.

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated out of the
general funds of the Muskogee Nation, the sum of One Hundred and
Fifty (\$150) Dollars, in favor of W. A. Palmer, for services
rendered as Auditor, for the last three months or last quarter
of the year 1894-95, at the rate of Fifty (\$50) Dollars per
month. Said sum to be paid in accordance with such rules and
regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior
for the disbursement of the Creek Funds.

Adopted October 17, 1902.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh
Speaker House of Warriors.

Concurred in October 18, 1902.

Lee McNevins,
Clerk.

T.W. Perryman,
President House of Kings.

Approved October 18, 1902.

P. Porter,
Principal Chief, Muskogee
Nation.

A R E S O L U T I O N

October 23, 1902.

Appropriating Five Hundred (\$500) Dollars, or such part thereof as may be necessary, to defray the expenses of delegates to confer with representatives of other nations.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That the sum of Five Hundred (\$500) Dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and the same is hereby appropriated to defray the expenses of the delegates, appointed under a resolution of the National Council of October 22, 1902, to visit the Choctaw, Chickasaw and Cherokee Nations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That said appropriation shall also be applicable to defray the expenses of the representatives of the Creek Nation to such convention as may be agreed upon to be held by the Five Civilized Nations of the Indian Territory. Said expenditures shall be accounted for by voucher to the Principal Chief.

Adopted October 23, 1902.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh
Speaker House of
Warriors.

Concurred in October 23, 1902.

Lee McNevins,
Clerk.

T.W. Perryman,
President House of Kings.

Approved October 23, 1902.

P. Porter,

Principal Chief, Musk. Nation.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma. ---a-108--Pleasant Porter's general letters.

A N A C T

Revoking Previous Acts.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That, by this Act of the National Council, the following Acts are hereby revoked: An Act of the National Council entitled? "An Act appropriating the sum of Two Hundred (\$200) Dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to defray expenses of representatives of the Muskogee Nation to the Convention of the Five Civilized Tribes, at South McAlistier," passed and approved under date of October 9, 1902; an Act entitled "An Act appropriating Five Hundred (\$500) Dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to defray the expenses of delegates to confer with representatives of other Nations," passed by the National Council and approved by the Principal Chief under date of October 23, 1902; and an Act entitled, "An Act appropriating One Hundred Fifty (\$150) Dollars for incidental expenses of the Executive Office," passed by the National Council on the 20th day of November and approved by the Principal Chief on the 21st day of November, 1902.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Lee McNevins,
Clerk.

Adopted November 24, 1902.
Amos McIntosh
Speaker House of Warriors.

Concurred in November 25, 1902.
T.W. Perryman,
President House of Kings.

Approved November 25, 1902.
P. Porter
Principal Chief, Muskogee Na.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma--a-109--Pleasant Porter's general letters.

Committee Room

Dec.1,1902.

To the National Council
of the Muscogee Nation.

Gentlemen:

We your committee on Education to whom was referred the Communication of Hon. Cheesie McIntosh, requesting an appropriation of a sufficient amount to cover office expenses. After carefully considering the same we find that the amount paid the Supt. of Public Instructions is insufficient to cover the expenses of the office, and his salary.

We therefore would respectfully recommend that an annual appropriation of \$300.00 be made to cover the expense of the office of the aforesaid, in the adoption of the accompanying act. We are

Very respectfully,

Noah Gregory.

Chairman-Pro tem-Educational Com.

H.N.B. -Clk.

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Be it enacted by the National Council of the Muscogee Nation, that there be and is hereby appropriated the sum of \$300.00 in favor of Supt. of Public Institution to cover contingent expenses of said office. The sum to be paid out of Gen. funds, under such rules and regulations as the Secretary of the Interior may prescribe for the disbursement of Creek funds.

A.P.McKellop--Clerk.

Adopted Dec.3,1902.

Amos McIntosh-Sp.H. of W.

Lee McNevins-Clk

Concurred in Dec.3,1902 T.W.Perryman,
Pres.H. of Kings.

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EXECUTIVE OFFICE.
Muskogee Nation
P.Porter,Principal Chief.

Okmulgee, I.T.
Nov.24,1902.

To the Honl. National Council.

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith letter from Superintendent of Creek schools, Cheesie McIntosh, suggesting an appropriation for the contingent expenses of that office. I appreciate the fact that the salary attached to the office is inadequate to repay the incumbent for the time expended in the discharge of his duties and the necessary expenses incurred, and believe that much better service would be secured to the schools of the Nation if an appropriation covering the contigent expenses of the office were made.

Please give the matter such consideration as, in your judgment, its merits seem to demand.

P.Porter,
Very respectfully,
Prin.Chief.

Checotah, I.T.

November 18, 1902

Hon. Pleasant Porter,

Okmulgee, I.T.

Dear Sir and friend:-

I write this letter to request you to recommend an appropriation for contingent expenses of the office of Superintendent of Creek Schools. I would beg to suggest that the amount of such appropriation be between three hundred and five hundred Dollars.

You will remember that the salary of the office is only eight hundred Dollars and if the incumbent is required to pay his expenses out of the salary, there will be but very little left for his services.

You are aware that we have no greater interests at heart than the education of our children, and that nothing can be accomplished without intelligent supervision and further that this supervision can not be had without reasonable compensation.

I therefore request most respectfully that you give the matter such attention as its importance demands.

Very respectfully,

Cheesie McIntosh.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE.
 Muskogee Nation.
 P.Porter, Principal Chief.

Honorable Houses of
 Kings and Warriors.

Okmulgee, I.T.,
 Oct. 18, 1902.

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit letter from James R. Gregory, Superintendent Public Instruction, suggesting that Three Hundred (\$300) Dollars be appropriated to each of the boarding schools of the Nation, to be used in repairing the buildings. Please give the matter such consideration as it seems to deserve.

Respectfully,

P.Porter,
 Prin.Chief.

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Committee Room

Dec.1, 1902.

To the National Council
 of the Muskogee Nation.

Gentlemen:

We your Committee on Education to whom was referred the communication of Jas. R. Gregory, Superintendent of Public Instruction for the Creek Nation recommending an appropriation for the repairs of Ten Boarding Schools, as follows:

Creek Orphan Home	\$300.00
Nuyaka Boarding School	300.00
Wetumka Boarding School	300.00
Eufaula High School	300.00
Euchee Boarding School	300.00

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Wealaka Boarding School,	\$300.00
Coweta Boarding School,	300.00
Tallahassee Boarding School,	300.00
Pecan Creek Mission,	300.00
Colored Orphen Home,	300.00
Making a total of- - - - -	\$3000.00

We therefore recommend your Hon. Body to make an appropriation for said schools in the adoption of the accompanying Act.
We are,

Very respectfully,

Noah Gregory.
pro tem.

H.W.B.-Clk.

Chairman Educational Com.

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Be it enacted by the National Council of the Muscogee Nation that there be and is hereby appropriated the sum of \$3500.00 for the repairs of 10 Boarding Schools. The sum to be paid out of the Gen. funds, under such rules and regulations as the Secretary of the Interior may prescribe for the disbursement of Creek funds.

Adopted 12/3/1902
Amos McIntosh
Sp.H. of W.

A.P. McKellop,
Clerk.

Lee McNeVins,
Clk.

Concurred in 12/3/02
T.W. Perryman
Pres.H. of Kings.

----Pleasant Porter-a-lll-----

Muskogee, I.T.

October 17th, 1902.

Hon. P. Porter,
Principal Chief,
Muskogee Nation.

Sir:-

It has been suggested to me by Mr. J.D. Benedict, Superintendent of Schools in Indian Territory that it would be an act of expediency if the National Council would appropriate \$500 to each of the National Boarding Schools of this Nation out of the General Funds to be used in repairs on the Buildings of the respective National Boarding Schools and after due consideration

I am led to believe that such sum for the purposes above mentioned to absolutely necessary, I respectfully submit this to you for such consideration and if receiving your approval I respectfully ask of you to submit the proposition herein contained to the National Council for action.

James R. Gregory,

Supt. Pub. Inst. M. N.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--a-111--Pleasant Porter's general letters.

LIST OF LOYAL SEMINOLES.

Manwell, \$1600
 Susie Manwell, 600
 Wolf, 1105
 Hoke Tee, 930
 Joseph Buck, 1000
 Wat-ke-aho--la, 1100
 Tolwa Fixico, 1260
 Oslotka, 820
 Thahwee, 1100
 Tes-wo-lee, 710
 James McKane, 700
 Jenny, 925
 Lee-nah, 525
 Thle-potsee, 300
 Hannah, 550
 Yaha Fixico, 2000
 Jowa-le-tah, 1440
 Tomy, 625
 Louisa, 1515
 Lo-nee, 680
 Sowa-chee (Son o Chee) 280
 Toos-hotsche, 2400
 Hima-ma, 2400
 Aha-fa-yucke Harjo, 900
 E-ne-ah Fixico, 1070
 Cho-folup Fixico, 340
 Sallie, 975

Polly, 1660
Ko-nip Harjo, 715
Te-tee, 440
O-ha-he, 1125
Lizzie, 1325
So-kee, 400
Chitto Harjo, 2240
Poto Kee, 480
Sock-to-Kath-ko, 110
See-lin-to, 485
Pow-hos Fixico, 1150
No-koos-e-ly, 765
Cho-Fixico, 565
So-See, 1810
Cho-Harjo-yee, 540
Thlo-my, 400
Suck-kah-ker, 485
Sa-Hi-chee, 3830
Seely, 360
Ka-botch-che-a-ho-ka, 480
Hotee-Kay Fixico, 485
Chochee-lee, 480
Nokoos Se Marthla-gee, 200
Nokoos Fixico, 185
Sy-a-Mah-chee, 325
Pos-co-fa, 8212
Latch-ti-cha, 8860
Fanny, 1012

Mus-See-lel-nah, 1715
 Oktus-hoc-tah, 890
 Ju-kee-fah, 320
 Chola-Fixico, 3345
 Pol-him-I-kah, 1025
 Con-fit-sa Fixico, 580
 Me-tho-li-kee, 100
 Ho-po-thle, 490
 Tose-Kye Harjo, 465
 Pon-O-Cho-gee, 825
 Oke-ti-Oc-si Harjo, 1520
 Ko-a-Harjo, 2085
 Telemassee, 3620
 Mos-ho-he, 3390
 Ilo-gee, 430
 Lucy Lahny, 2540
 E-Pus-See, 600
 Me-thla-ho-way, 1230
 William Graham, 3460
 Sofa-chi-e-kee, 1950
 Samy, 2885
 Mary, 2530
 La-pe-gee, 1360
 Os-Son-Wah, 1085
 Sime-ah-Kee, 860
 Tuch-ho-ye, 460
 Ah-thla-niegee, 1650
 Monah, \$915.00
 Cho Harjo, 3665.00
 Teth thle Hokah, 1910.00

Mechily, 2680.00
Wak-Se-a-holah, 800.00
Ah-ha-lock Harjo, 445.00
Ot-San Wah, 430.00
Pa-ho-See, 965.00
Ka-See, (Kol-pee) 860.00
Ponkilly, 930.00
Hot-pah-du, 670.00
Yah-ho-chee, 625.00
Tose-a-ho-la, 645.00
Eliza, 2265.00
Choc-ful-lee-Kah, 1285.00
Se-me-to, 760.00
So-ha-he-ye, 570.00
Sally, 605.00
Hoke-to-thloe-co-gee, 615.00
Mil-le-ah, 1025.00
Ah-ha-locke Marthlogee, 975.00
Kat-che-la-ny, 670.00
Maka-ho-Kee, 1070.00
Thla-ho-my-he, 655.00
Pa-hose-Marthlogee, 905.00
So-mol-lee-chee, 170.00
So-fo-lo-gee, 1031.00
Toos-Harjo, 9341.00
W-fologee, 680.00
Billy, 881.00
Holoto-Marthlo, 380.00
Wak-Se-Harjo-gee, 600.00

Dolly, 900.00
 Ah-lock-Harjo-gee, 900.00
 Hoke-to-lock-thlogee, 1540.00
 Ah-ha-lock-Ea-hola, 410.00
 No-koos, fee-gee, 1150.00
 Ah-we-lickee, 1160.00
 Top-fee-chee, 320.00
 Monah, 685.00
 My-lee, 305.00
 Cho-harjo-gee, 1545.00
 Dy-See, 1205.00
 Williamee, 610.00
 Fanny, 440.00
 Cho-Fixico, 3905.00
 Hal-buta Harjo, 3505.00
 Ge-kop-fee, 1535.00
 Yaho-gee, 1735.00
 Le-loffee (Loffer), 1681.00
 Yaha Fixico, 260.00
 Chitto Harjo, 1701.00
 Ily, 545.00
 Osan-a Fixico, 500.00
 La-te-eya-hola, 325.00
 Tal-wa-twe-ton-wockkee, 2416.00
 Is-cha-swa, 1261.00
 Ke-cha-chee, 1001.00
 Yoke Fola, 1705.00
 Otul-ko-gee, 671.00
 Ah-ha-lock-ko-gee, 480.00
 Ah-ha-lock Fixico, 2800.00

Ah-foos-ah-ne-ah, 1930.00
Pechee, 200.00
Islitka, 625.00
So-fi-ya-tee, 1290.00
Is-fon-e-Harjo, 1835.00
Toko gee, 495.00
Loso-gee, 920.00
Kose Harjo, 735.00
Melo-a-kee, 565.00
Cheetelega-hola, 1800.00
Ekus-Harjo, 1213.00
Ca-cha-chap-co, 200
Nal-le-gee, 271
Kesagee Harjo, 860.00
Cho-was-tae-Chopco, 2500
Malee, 580.00
Joska, 1285
Ah-ha-lock-kee, 640
See-ho-to See, 620
Ah-thlan Harjo, 1520
Bay-nee, 800
Milly, 1066
Tuston-nuck Harjo, 975
Hoke-thlo-to-yeah, 1005
Choweahola, 1370.00
No-koos-ko Chuckney, 220.00
Kissie, 380.00
Milhe, 1115
Jah-koby, 1080

Cot-chee-Harjo, 1880.00
 Toos Harjo, 566
 Upock-cla-tay-gee, 1270
 Sitty, 600
 Nuth-ko-buck-ny, 3200.00
 So-me-chee, 610.00
 Micco Harjo, 740.00
 Tokah-lo-gee, 660.00
 Nokeos Harjo, 1000
 Polly, 822.00
 Pie Harjo, 1200
 Inla Tay-gee, 1005
 So-ho-taygee, 1450
 Chena See, 1230
 Hola-to-chap-co, 515
 Matche-he, 540
 Nancy, 1090
 Nelly, 200.00
 Nuth-cup-Harjo, 1525
 Nehy-he hola, 1072
 John Chapco, 3260
 Mah-Ko-yi-kee, 1805
 Pohye-Kee, 410
 Thly-he-ho-thla-Kee, 925.00
 Oc-to-Octo-gee, 650.00
 Billy, 230.00
 Das-ho-Kee, 1060
 Le-Son-ee, 461

Ah-ho-lako-gee, 1350

Klee Harjo, 960

Kabatch-Ko-gee, 641

Ko-e-Harjo, 380

Nokefy Harjo, 740

Oke-la Thla, 660

Nah-po-e-chee, 435

Ah-ha Lockee, 600

William, 4950

Fi-ho, Kah, 2230

Kon-Nockee, 1603

Mary, 852

Ahhale Marthla, 1461

Sarah, 362

Nifkah, 735.00

Kah-fee-ho-kee, 100

Catherine Payne, 950

Pompey, 830

Ned Cudgo, 1175

Wm. Bowlegs, 1065

Dick Bowlegs, 980

Jacob Bowlegs, 1235

Cyrus Bowlegs, 710

Dolly Bowlegs, 135

Hattie Charles, 211

Jessie Bowlegs, 860

Davy Dilby, 500

Jack Shortman, 942

Tony Bowlegs, 300

Jacob Davis, 900
John Bowl, 911
Daily Davis, 1121
Bob Davis, 513
Lucy Noble, 810
John Stepney, 522
Etogee, 721
Fulton muc Harjo, 442
Teyo-cha-che, 850
Son-nock Harjochee, 2145
Louisa, 260
Robert Johnson, 1540
Tom Payne, 900
Lah-ta Sandy, 675
Joseph Barkus, 1100
Sanko Bruner, 735
Dennis Primus, 600
Molly Lottis, 632
Atram Payne, 1900
Rachael Abraham, 1435
Phoebe Billy, 210
Billy Miller, 393
John Bruner, 1159
Ben Bruner, 2300
Affie Bruner, 1462
Fay Cully, 381
Thomas Noble, 400
Sam Cudgo, 826
John Bowlegs, 241

Molly Bowlegs, 485

Swamp William Bowlegs, 1001

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general letters.

(Adopted 12/2/1902)

Be it enacted by the National Council of the Muskogee Nation that there be and is hereby appropriated out of the general funds the sum of \$13793.20, in favor of members clerks and Interpreters and Chaplain of the House of Warriors for per diem and mileage for session of Regular Council of Oct. 7th to 24th inclusive and Nov. 18th to Dec. 3rd inclusive.

The same to be paid out in accordance with Rules and Regulations prescribed by the Sec'y. of the Interior.

Adopted 12/2/1902

Amos McIntosh

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Concurred in 12/2/02

T.W. Perryman

Pres. H. of K.

Lee McNevins,
Clk.

		Miles	Mileage	Days	Per diem	Total
Sonora	Amos McIntosh	22	4.40	34	136.00	140.40
Eufaula	Jimsey Asbury	41	8.20	34	136.00	144.20
Okmulgee	Mose Asbury	7	1.40	34	136.00	137.40
Beggs	Wash Adams	14	2.80	34	136.00	138.80
Calvin	James Alexander	64	12.80	28	112.00	124.80
Eufaula	James Barnett	33	6.60	34	136.00	142.60
	William Barnett	50	10.00	34	136.00	146.00
Okmulgee	James Bell	10	2.00	34	136.00	138.00
"	Pleasant Berryhill	5	1.00	34	136.00	137.00
Eufaula	Simon Billie	46	9.20	34	136.00	145.20
Mellette	John Bright	47	9.40	34	136.00	145.40
	James Broadenax	28	5.60	34	136.00	141.60
Olive	Larry Brown	54	10.80	34	136.00	146.80
Lee	Jacob S. Brown	22	4.40	34	136.00	140.40
Sapulpa	S.W. Brown	40	8.00	34	136.00	144.00
Kelly-ville	Dickson Brown	45	9.00	34	136.00	145.00
Wetumka	Thomas Bruner	40	8.00	34	136.00	144.00
Clarksville,	Lewis Bruner	40	8.00	34	136.00	144.00
	Robert Bruner	45	9.00	34	136.00	145.00
	Wiley Buckner	51	10.20	34	136.00	146.20
Wetumka	William Buck	38	7.60	34	136.00	143.60
	Thomas Byrd	50	10.00	34	136.00	146.00
Wetumka	Sarty Cowe	38	7.60	34	136.00	143.60
Okmulgee	Joe Canard	6	1.20	34	136.00	137.20
Wetumka	J.T. Canard	35	7.00	34	136.00	143.00
Leana	Limbo Carr	32	6.40	34	136.00	142.40
Muskogee	P.R. Ceasar	45	9.00	34	136.00	145.00
						3837.60
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		Miles	Mileage	Days	Per diem	Total
John Chupko		37	7.40	34	136.00	143.40
Bristow Geo. Clinton		33	7.60	34	136.00	143.60
Okmulgee Alex Davis		12	2.40	34	136.00	138.40
Clarks- ville	Bob Daniels	45	9.00	34	136.00	145.00
Tuskegee	Joseph Deacon	40	8.00	34	136.00	144.00
Muskogee	David Dixon	48	9.60	34	136.00	145.60
Yeager	Lacoyer Deere	52	10.40	34	136.00	146.40
Wier	L.C.Drew	47	9.40	34	136.00	145.40
Wagoner	N.E.Durant	60	12.00	34	136.00	148.00
Spokogee	Harper Fields	35	7.00	34	136.00	143.00
	Tulmochus Fix- ico---	38	7.60	34	136.00	143.60
	Nocos Fixico	50	10.00	34	136.00	146.00
Lee	Tobe Franklin	20	4.00	34	136.00	140.00
Eufaula	William Francis, 41		8.20	34	136.00	144.20
Fry	Robert Frye	36	7.20	11	44.00	51.20
Checotah	W.E.Gentry	25	5.00	7	28.00	33.00
Fame	Siah Grey	30	6.00	34	136.00	142.00
Okfuske	Wm.Green	30	6.00	34	136.00	142.00
	Barney Green	50	10.00	34	136.00	146.00
Ridge	Tobe Grayson	26	5.20	34	136.00	141.20
Muskogee	Robert Grayson	32	6.40	34	136.00	142.40
Tallehassee,						
	Bustin Hawkins	50	10.00	34	136.00	146.00
"	William Hawkins	50	10.00	34	136.00	146.00
Taskegee	David Harry	32	6.40	34	136.00	152.40
Wetumka	Hotulke Harjo	49	9.80	34	136.00	145.80
Taskegee	Sulphur Harjo	20	4.00	34	136.00	140.00
Wetumke	Totkes Harjo	40	8.00	34	136.00	142.00
						3686.60

		-4- Miles	Mileage	Days	Per diem	Total
Cobrey Hill		15	3.00	34	136.00	139.00
George Island		36	7.20	34	136.00	143.20
Muskogee	Mose Jimison	50	10.00	34	136.00	146.00
Eufaula	Robert Johnson	45	9.00	34	136.00	145.00
Okmulgee	Una Johnson	8	1.60	34	136.00	137.60
Sapulpa	J.H.Land	37	7.40	16	64.00	71.40
Boynton	B.A.Lee	20	8.00	6	24.00	32.00
Wybark	J.H.Lewis	57	11.40	34	136.00	147.40
Holden- ville,	Thomas Long	50	10.00	34	136.00	146.00
Okmulgee	Hardy Manual	0	-----	34	136.00	136.00
Eufaula	Lewis McGilbra	40	8.00	34	136.00	144.00
Checotah	George McGilbra	15	3.00	34	136.00	139.00
Fry	J.C.Morrison	36	7.20	34	136.00	143.20
Muskogee	John Myers	35	7.00	34	136.00	143.00
Twine	T.W.Manuel	28	5.60	18	72.00	77.60
Eufaula	Wm.McCombs	41	8.20	34	136.00	144.20
Muskogee	Wiley McIntosh	45	9.00	34	136.00	145.00
Red Fork	Mussa Nohaka	40	8.00	34	136.00	144.00
Calvin	Jim Noon	65	13.00	34	136.00	149.00
Wewoka	W.A.Palmer	55	11.00	34	136.00	147.00
Red Fork	C.B.Perryman	48	9.60	34	136.00	145.60
Ghoska	Enos Perryman	43	8.60	34	136.00	144.60
"	Isom Peters	25	5.00	34	136.00	141.00
Catoosa	Joe Primus	60	12.00	34	136.00	148.00
Muskogee	W.A.Rentis	45	9.00	34	136.00	145.00
Beggs	Sampson Richards	16	3.20	34	136.00	139.20
Muskogee	Dave Roberts	45	9.00	34	136.00	145.00
						<u>3629.00</u>

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		Miles	Mileage	Days	Per diem	Total
	J.S.Robison	32	6.40	34	136.00	142.40
Muskogee	Theo Stidham	45	9.00	34	136.00	145.00
"	M.J.Sango	41	8.20	34	136.00	144.20
Eufaula	Robt. Solumba	44	8.80	34	136.00	144.80
Catoosa	Snow Sells	75	15.00	34	136.00	151.00
Lee	Primus Smith	19	3.80	34	136.00	139.80
Clarks- ville--	R.M.Stevens	40	8.00	34	136.00	144.00
Morse	Wm.Staddard	27	5.40	18	72.00	77.40
Coweta	Billie Tiger	44	8.80	34	136.00	144.80
Wetumka	Barney Tiger	38	7.60	34	136.00	143.60
Eufaula	G.W.Tiger	44	8.80	34	136.00	144.80
Tulsa	Seber Thlocco	52	10.40	34	136.00	146.40
Stidham	Eddie Walker	30	6.00	34	136.00	142.00
	Stan Waitie	46	9.20	15	60.00	69.20
Arbeka	James Yarber	52	10.40	34	136.00	146.40
Wetumka	Chapley Yohola	35	7.00	34	136.00	143.00
"	Walter Grey	40	8.00	18	72.00	80.00
Muskogee	A.P.McKellop	46	9.20	34	136.00	145.20
Okmulgee	Sam'l.J.Haynes	--	----	24	96.00	96.00
McDermot	Wm.Jimboy	--	----	34	102.00	102.00
Tulsa	D.M.Hodge	45	9.00	10	40.00	49.00*
						<u>2641.00</u>
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Pay roll of the H. of Kings
for the general session of
council beginning Oct. 7 to
Oct. 24th and Nov. 18th to
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1	Austin Anderson,	Okmulgee I.T.	Days	Per diem	Total
		Miles Mileage			
		12 2.40	34	136.00	138.40
2	Thos. J. Adams,	Okmulgee, I.T.			
		4 .80	34	136.00	136.80
3	Roland Brown,	Okmulgee			
		7 1.40	34	136.00	137.40
4	Billy Barnett,	Eufaula			
		40 8.00	33	132.00	140.00
5	Joseph Buck,	Wetumka			
		40 8.00	34	136.00	144.00
6	James Byrd,	Thurman, I.T.			
		50 10.00	34	136.00	146.00
7	Joseph Bruner,	Suppulpa			
		42 8.40	34	136.00	144.40
8	Pero Bruner,	Holdenville			
		52 10.40	34	136.00	146.40
9	Charles Coachman,	Wetumka			
		40 8.00	34	136.00	144.00
10	George Coser,	Eufaula			
		44 8.80	26	104.00	112.80
11	Joe Davis,	Aukfuskee			
		27 5.40	34	136.00	141.40
12	James Deere,	Calvin			
		56 11.20	34	136.00	147.20
13	Timmie Fife,	Sappulpa			
		34 6.80	34	136.00	142.80
14	Thomas Frank,	Weer			
		36 7.20	34	136.00	143.20
15	John Goat,	Holdenville			
		65 13.00	34	136.00	149.00
16	Noah Gregory,	Suppulpa			
		40 8.00	32	128.00	136.00
17	Robert Grayson,	Beggs			
		28 5.60	32	128.00	133.60
18	James Hill,	Eufaula			
		40 8.00	34	136.00	144.00
19	George W. Hill,	Okmulgee			
		20 4.00	34	136.00	140.00
20	Tobe Hill,	Wetumka			
		45 9.00	9	36.00	45.00
21	William Hill,	Wetumka			
		49 9.80	34	136.00	145.80
22	David Herod,	Calvin			
		65 13.00	34	136.00	149.00
23	Henry Harry,	Bristow			
		28 5.60	34	136.00	141.60
24	Chofolop Harjo,	Morse			
		25 5.00	32	128.00	133.00
25	Gabral Jimerson,	Wybark			
		60 12.00	34	136.00	148.00
26	John A. Jacob,	Holdenville			
		65 13.00	21	84.00	97.00
	Ford	1014 202.80	831	3324.00	3526.80

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	Arbeka	Miles	Mileage	Days	Per diem	Total
27	Wilson Knight, Norburg	45	9.00	34	136.00	145.00
28	London Knight, Watsonville	40	8.00	34	136.00	144.00
29	George Kanard, Eufaula	41	8.20	34	136.00	144.20
30	Sarne Logan, Thurman	35	7.00	34	136.00	143.00
31	Henehe Marthuchee, Eufaula	40	8.00	34	136.00	144.00
32	Roley McIntosh, Weer, I.T.	35	7.00	34	136.00	143.00
33	Commodore McIntosh, Weer	41	8.20	34	136.00	144.20
34	Louis McHenry, Tulsey	45	9.00	34	136.00	145.00
35	T.W. Perryman, Wetumka	50	10.00	34	136.00	146.00
36	Wm. Penn, Okmulgee	39	7.80	34	136.00	143.80
37	Thomas Randle, Tuskegee	8	1.60	34	136.00	137.60
38	Tulmarsey Scott, Eufaula	28	5.60	34	136.00	141.60
39	Harley Thomas, Thurman	46	9.20	33	132.00	141.20
40	Joe Smith, Garner	50	10.00	24	96.00	106.00
41	James Smith, Bearden	45	9.00	34	136.00	145.00
42	Simmer, Muskogee	54	10.80	34	136.00	146.80
43	Wiley Sukey, Burny	58	11.60	34	136.00	147.60
44	March Thompson, Okima	25	5.00	34	136.00	141.00
45	Victor Wesley, Thurman	35	7.00	33	132.00	139.00
46	Sampson Yahola, Burny	47	9.40	34	136.00	145.40
47	Mitchell Yargee,	25	5.00	34	136.00	141.00
	Martin Checote (Chaplain)			34	102.00	102.00
	Bunnie McIntosh (Intpr)-44	8.80		34	136.00	144.80
	Lee McNeVins (Clerk)-65	13.00		34	136.00	149.00
	Brought Ford	1014	202.80	831	3324.00	3526.80
	Total Amount-----	1955	391.00	1635	6506.00	6897.00

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Dec. 3rd, 1903.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That the sum of Seven Thousand Six Hundred and Eighty-Nine Dollars and eighty cents, (\$7,689.80), be and is hereby appropriated in payment of the per diem and mileage of the members, clerk, interpreter and chaplain of the House of Kings for services rendered during the regular session of the National Council from Oct. 6th to Oct. 22nd inclusive and Nov. 18th to Dec. 4th inclusive in the amounts set opposite to the names upon the roll as appears below, the said amount to be paid out in accordance with such rules and regulations as the Secretary of the Interior may prescribe for the disbursement of Creek funds.

Austin Anderson	\$140.80	Geo. W. Hill	\$144.00
Thomas Adams	137.60	Tobe Hill	154.00
Roland Brown	138.80	Wm. Hill	158.80
Billy Barnett	169.20	David Herrod	170.00
Joseph Buck	152.80	Henry Harry	147.20
James Byrd	164.40	Chofolop Harjo	146.00
Joseph Bruner	152.80	Gabriel Jimerson	160.00
Paroh Bruner	162.00	John A. Jacob	162.00
Charles Coachman	154.80	Wilson Knight	154.00
George Coser	167.20		<u>4144.40</u>
Joe Davis	146.80		
James Deere	168.00	Brought up	4144.40
Timmie Fife	149.60	London Knight	152.00
Thomas Frank	154.80	George Kanard	152.40
John R. Goat	162.00	Sam Logan	165.20
Noah Gregory	120.00	Henehe Mathe	158.00
Robert Grayson	148.00	Roley McIntosh	166.00
James Hill	158.80	Commodore McIntosh	164.00
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Louis McHenry	\$164.00
L.C.Perryman	156.00
Wm.Penn	152.80
John Freeman	144.00
Tulmarsey Scott	147.20
Harley Thomas	166.80
Joe Smith	156.00
James Smith	161.80
Simmer	157.60
Wiley Sukey	165.20
March Thompson	146.00
Thomas Wesley	154.00
Wash Riley	150.80
Mitchell Yargee	148.00
Burnie McIntosh, Intpr.	153.60
Lee McNevins, clk,	162.00
Martin Checotah, Chap.	102.00
	<u>\$7689.80</u>

Lee McNevins
Clerk

A.P.McKellop
Clerk

Adopted Dec.3rd,1903.
Pres.House of Kings.

Concurred in Dec.3d,1903

Alex Davis
Sp.House of Warriors.
Pro tem.

Approved Dec.4th,1903.
P.Porter-Prin.Chief.

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Dec. 11, 1903

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:-

That there be and is hereby appropriated out of the General Funds the sum of Fourteen Thousand Six Hundred and Fifty-three and 80/100 Dollars (\$14653.80) in payment of mileage and per diem of the members, clerks, interpreter and Chaplain of the House of Warriors for services rendered during the regular session of the National Council from October 6 to 22, 1903, inclusive, and from November 18 to December 4, 1903, inclusive, in amounts as set opposite the names on the roll of members hereto attached; the said amount to be paid out under such rules and regulations as the Secretary of the Interior may prescribe for the disbursement of Creek Funds.

Adopted Dec. 11, 1903

Mildred Childers
Clerk.

Bunnie McIntosh
Sp. House of Warriors
Pro tem.

Concurred in Dec. 11, 1903.

Sam Grayson
Clerk.

James Smith(his x mark)
Pres. House of Kings.

Witnesses Theo G. Stidham
E. E. Hardridge

Approved Dec. 11, 1903

P. Porter,
Prin. Chief.

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PAY ROLL OF HOUSE OF WARRIORS

Amos McIntosh-----	\$144.80	George Clinton-----	\$151.20
Jimsey Asbury-----	152.40	Alec Davis-----	140.80
Mose Asbury-----	138.80	Bob Daniels-----	154.00
Wash Adams-----	141.60	Joe Deacon-----	152.00
James Alexander-----	161.60	David Dixon-----	155.20
James Barnett-----	149.20	Lawyer Deere-----	156.80
William Barnett-----	158.00	L.C.Drew-----	154.80
James Bell-----	140.00	Jackson Lunzey-----	82.00
Pleasant Derryhill-----	137.60	Harper Fields-----	152.00
Simon Billy-----	154.40	Tulmachase Fixico-----	151.20
John Bright-----	154.80	Noces Fixico-----	156.00
James Broadonax-----	147.20	Tobe Franklin-----	144.00
Larry Brown-----	157.60	Wm. Francis-----	152.40
Jacob Brown-----	144.80	Robert Frye-----	150.40
S.W.Brown-----	152.00	W.E.Gentry-----	146.80
Dickson Brown-----	154.00	Siah Grey-----	143.00
Thomas Bruner-----	152.00	Wm. Green-----	143.00
Lewis Bruner-----	152.00	Barney Green-----	153.00
Robert Bruner-----	154.00	Tobe Grayson-----	143.80
Wiley Buckner-----	156.40	Robert Grayson-----	143.80
Wm. Buck-----	151.20	Bustin Hawkins-----	156.00
Sarty Cowe-----	151.20	Wm. Hawkins-----	153.00
Joe Canard-----	138.40	David Harry-----	148.00
J.T.Canard-----	150.00	Hetulke Harjo-----	155.60
Limbo Carr-----	150.80	Sulphur Harjo-----	144.00
P.R.Ceasar-----	154.00	Tatkes Harjo-----	152.00
John Chupke-----	150.80	Cobrey Hill-----	142.00
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Geo. Island-----	\$150.40	M.J.Sango-----	\$152.40
Gibson James-----	156.20	Robert Salumba-----	153.60
Mose Jimerson-----	156.00	Snow Sells-----	166.00
Robert Johnson-----	156.00	R.M.Stevens-----	152.00
Una Johnson-----	139.20	Wm. Stoddart-----	136.80
J.H.Land-----	150.80	Billie Tiger-----	153.60
D.A.Lee-----	144.00	Barney Tiger-----	151.20
J.H.Lewis-----	156.80	Geo.W.Tiger-----	153.60
Thomas Long-----	156.00	Seber Thlocco-----	156.80
Hardy Manuel-----	136.00	Eddie Walker-----	148.00
Lewis McGilbra-----	152.00	James Yarber-----	156.80
George McGilbra-----	142.00	Joe Yartekka-----	151.20
J.C.Morrison-----	150.40	Charley Yahola-----	150.00
John Myers-----	152.00	A.P.McKellop, Clerk,----	154.40
T.W.Manuel-----	147.20	Samuel Haynes, Intpr.---	136.00
Wm. McCombs-----	152.40	Wm. Jimboy-----	102.90
Wiley McIntosh-----	154.00		<u>\$14653.80</u>
Mussa Nahaka-----	152.00		
W.A.Palmer-----	158.00		
C.B.Perryman-----	155.20		
Enos Perryman-----	153.20		
Isom Peters-----	146.00		
Joe Primus-----	160.00		
W.A.Rentie-----	154.00		
Sampson Richards-----	142.40		
Dave Roberts-----	154.00		
J.S.Robinson-----	148.80		
Theo Stidham-----	154.00		

----P.Porter-a-117----

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma-Pleasant Porter's general letters.

A N A C T

Appropriating Two Thousand (\$2,000) Dollars for Incidental Expenses and employment of stenographer in Executive Office.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated, out of the general funds of the Muskogee Nation, the sum of Two Thousand (\$2,000) Dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to be expended by the Principal Chief in the employment of a stenographer and for other clerical aid, and in paying other expenses necessarily incurred in the proper conduct of the business of the Executive Office, for the fiscal year ending December 4th, 1904. An account of the expenditures from this appropriation to be kept by the Principal Chief for the benefit and information of the National Council.

Adopted Nov.19,1903.

Lee McNevins
Clerk

Roley McIntosh
Pres.House of Kings.

Concurred in Nov.20,

J.H.Land

President House of Kings.

A.P.McKellop
Clerk.

Speaker

Warriors
Pro tem

Approved Nov.25,1903.

P.Porter,

Principal Chief Muskogee Nation.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma--a-118--Pleasant Porter's general letters.

December 3, 1903

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated, \$24.00 in favor of Wm. McQueen, out of the General funds for services rendered as clerk on Conference Committee for 8 days at \$3.00 per day and shall be paid out under such rules and regulations as the Secretary of the Interior may prescribe for the disbursement of Creek funds.

Adopted Dec.3,1903

Lee McNevins

Roley McIntosh

Clerk

Pres.House of Kings.

Concurred in Dec.3,1903.

A.P.McKellop

Amos McIntosh

Clerk

Sp.House of Warriors.

Approved Dec.4th,1903

P.Porter,

Prin.Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma--a-119--Pleasant Porter's general letters.

December 3, 1903

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated out of the general funds of the Muskogee or Creek Nation the several sums hereinafter set forth in favor of the persons opposite whose names they appear, respectively, for services rendered as clerks for the several committees of the Council, to wit:

John Smith, Claims Committee,	\$102.00
Johnson King, Internal Improvement,	102.00
Mrs. A.P. McKellop, Judiciary Committee,	102.00
Mrs. Alice Stidham, Foreign Relations,	102.00
Sanford Scott, Educational Committee,	42.00
Miss Hattie Benson, Educational Committee,	51.00
Mrs. Mildred Childers, Finance Committee,	102.00
E.B. Childers, Special Committee,	27.00

The said amounts to be paid out in accordance with such rules and regulations as the Secretary of the Interior may prescribe for the disbursement of Creek Funds.

Adopted Dec. 3, 1903.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh
Sp. House of Warriors.

Concurred in Dec. 3, 1903.

Lee McNevins
Clerk

Roley McIntosh
Pres. House of Kings.

Approved Dec. 3, 1903.

P. Porter,
Prin. Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma--a-120--Pleasant Porter's general letters.

December 3, 1903.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated the sum of \$272.71 in favor of H.C.Hall & Co., for supplies furnished the Wealaka National School, the sum to be paid out of the general fund under such rules and regulations as the Secretary of the Interior may prescribe for the disbursement of the Creek funds.

Adopted Dec.3,1903.

A.P.McKellop

Amos McIntosh

Clerk

Sp.House of Warriors.

Concurred in Dec.3,1903.

Lee McNevins

Roley McIntosh

Clerk.

Pres.House of Kings.

Approved Dec.4,1903.

P.Porter,

Prin.Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma--a-121--Pleasant Porter's general letters.

November 18, 1903.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated the sum of Fifteen Dollars in payment of services rendered by William Jimboy as Chaplain of the House of Warriors from May 19th to May 23, 1903 inclusive. Said sum to be paid in accordance with the rules and regulations prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior for the disbursement of Creek Funds.

Adopted Oct. 22, 1903.

A.P. McKellop

Amos McIntosh

Clerk.

Sp. House of Warriors.

Concurred in Nov. 18, 1903.

Lee McNeVins

Roley McIntosh

Clerk.

Pres. House of Kings.

Approved Nov. 18, 1903.

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Indian Inspector
For
Indian Territory

D 8396-1904

Muskogee, Ind.T.,
Jan. 18, 1904.

Hon. P. Porter,
Principal Chief, Creek Nation,
Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:-

I respectfully return herewith an act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself October 22, 1903, and entitled "An Act making an appropriation in favor of A.P. Murphy, National Attorney."

This act was approved by the President, as shown by the endorsement thereon, January 6, 1904.

Very respectfully,

J. Geo. Wright,

U.S. Indian Inspector
for Indian Territory.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma--a-123--Pleasant Porter's general letters.

October 17th, 1903

A N A C T

Making an appropriation in favor of A.P. Murphy, National Attorney.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated out of the general fund of the Muskogee Nation, the sum of seven hundred and nineteen and 40/100 Dollars in favor of A.P. Murphy for necessary expenses incurred and paid by him as National Attorney for said Nation, for the year ending October 1st 1903. Said amount to be paid under such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior for the disbursement of Creek Funds.

Adopted October 17th, 1903.

Roley McIntosh

President House of Kings.

Lee McNevins
Clerk.

Concurred in October 20th, 1903.

J.H. Land

Speaker, protem, House of Warriors.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Approved October 22nd, 1903.

P. Porter,

Principal Chief.

APPROVED: T. Roosevelt.

W H I T E H O U S E.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma - 2a-1221 - Pleasant Porter's general letters. Washington, D.C. January 6, 1904.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Muskogee Nation.

Muskogee, I.T., Nov. 3, 1903.

I, P. Porter, Principal Chief of the Muskogee Nation, do hereby certify that the attached and foregoing is an act of the National Council of said Nation, passed at its regular session held in October, 1903, and approved by me in my official character October 22, 1903, and I do hereby certify and submit the same for the approval of the President of the United States under the provisions of Section 42 of the act of Congress approved March 1, 1901, (31 Stat. 861) entitled, "An act to ratify and confirm an agreement with the Muskogee or Creek tribe of Indians, and for other purposes."

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto signed my name as Principal Chief of the Muskogee Nation this the 3rd day of November, 1903, and caused the great seal of the Nation to be affixed.

P. Porter,
Principal Chief, Muskogee Nation.

Attest:

Virginia W. Landers
Acting Private Secretary.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma--a-125--Pleasant Porter's general letters.

A N A C T

Making appropriations for educational purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That the following amounts are hereby appropriated for the maintenance and support of the Muskogee National Schools.

Wetumka Boarding School,	\$9,000.00
Eufaula High School	9,000
Tallahassee Boarding School,	9,000
Euchee Boarding School,	7,200
Creek Orphan Home,	6,666.66 2/3
Nuyaka Boarding School,	5,600
Coweta Boarding School,	4,500
Wealaka Boarding School,	4,500
Pecan Creek Boarding School,	4,500
Colored Orphan Home,	3,333.33 1/3
Creek Neighborhood Schools,	<u>\$13,168.40</u>
	<u>\$76,468.40</u>

Said amount of \$76,468.40 to be paid out of the educational funds under the laws governing schools of the Muskogee Nation and such rules and regulations as the Secretary of the Interior may prescribe.

Adopted October 21st, 1903

Lee McNevins
Clerk.

Roley McIntosh
President House of Kings.

Concurred in October 21st, 1903.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

J.H. Land
Speaker House of Warriors.

Approved October 22nd, 1903

P. Porter
Principal Chief Muskogee Nation.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma--a-126--Pleasant Porter's general letters.

October 17th, 1903

A N A C T

Providing for pay of General Officers of the Muskogee Nation.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated out of the General Fund of the Muskogee Nation, the sum of THIRTEEN THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED (\$13,500.00) DOLLARS, for the salaries of the General Officers of the Muskogee Nation, for the fiscal year ending December 4, 1904, as follows, to-wit:

Principal Chief,	\$1,000.00
Second Chief,	600.00
National Auditor,	600.00
Superintendent of Public Instruction,	800.00
Private Secretary,	400.00
Janitor Capitol Building,	200.00
Superintendent of Eufaula High School,	600.00
Superintendent of Wetumka Boarding School,	600.00
Superintendent of Tullahassee Boarding School,	600.00
Superintendent of Creek Orphan Home,	600.00
Superintendent of Euche Boarding School,	500.00
Superintendent of Coweta Boarding School,	500.00
Superintendent of Wealaka Boarding School,	500.00
Superintendent of Pecan Creek Boarding School,	500.00
Superintendent of Colored Orphan Asylum,	500.00
National Attorney,	5,000.00
	<u>\$13,500.00</u>

Said sum to be paid out in accordance with such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior for the disbursement of Creek funds.

Adopted October 17th, 1903.

Lee McNevins
Clerk.

Roley McIntosh
Pres. House Kings.

Concurred in October 17th, 1903.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

J.H. Land
Speaker House Warriors-pro tem.

Approved October 17th, 1903.

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief, Muskogee, Nation.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma--a-127--Pleasant Porter's general letters.

Muskogee Nation.

P.Porter, Principal Chief.

Be it enacted by the National Council of the Muskogee Nation:

That there be and is hereby appropriated out of the General funds not otherwise appropriated, the sums set opposite their respective names for pay for services of the following clerks of the special committee of eighteen appointed to canvass, count and declare the result of the late general election of Sept. 1, 1903., to wit:

W.E.McQueen for 13 days services--	\$52.00
Ben Marshall for 10 days services--	40.00
Alec McIntosh for 8 days services--	32.00
Marcy Harjo for 7 days services--	28.00
Lucy Gatlin for 6 days services--	24.00
Ella Monahwee for 5 days services--	20.00
S.E.McIntosh for 2 days services--	8.00
C.W.Grayson for 13 days services--	52.00

In all, Two Hundred and Fifty-Six Dollars, (\$256.00), the sum to be paid under such rules and regulations as may be adopted by the Secretary of the Interior for the disbursement of Creek funds.

Adopted Oct. 20, 1903.

S.J.Haynes
Clerk Protem

J.H.Land
Speaker H. of Warriors.

Concurred in Oct. 20, 1903.

Lee McNevins
Clerk.

Roley McIntosh
Pres.House of Kings.

APPROVED:
Oct. 22nd, 1903.

P.Porter,
Prin.Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma--a-128--Pleasant Porter's general letters.

October 17, 1903

Be it resolved by the National Council of the Interstate
 --that from and after the passage and approval of their reso-
 lution no non-white children shall be permitted to attend
 school at any of the Public Boarding Schools and neighborhood
 schools supported by the Nation; and it is hereby made the duty
 of the Dept. of Public Instruction to inform the terms of
 these resolutions.

Be it further resolved that all acts or parts of acts in
 conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Adopted Oct. 17, 1903.

Joseph H. Land
 Sp. R. of W. Pro tem.

A. P. McK.
 C. R.

Concurrent in Oct. 17, 1903

Robert McMillan
 Pres. R. of W.

Lee McMillan
 C. R.

Approved 1903, 1903.

P. Foster,

Principal Clerk.

October 17, 1903

Be it resolved by the National Council of the Muscogee Nation --that from and after the passage and approval of their resolutions we non-citizen children shall be permitted to attend school at any of the Public Boarding Schools and neighborhood schools supported by the Nation; and it is hereby made the duty of the Supt. of Public Instruction to inform the terms of these resolutions.

Be it further resolved that all acts or parts of acts in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Adopted Oct. 17, 1903.

A.P. McK.
Clk.

Joseph H. Land
Sp.H. of W. pro tem.

Concurred in Oct. 17, 1903

Lee McNevins
Clk.

Roley McIntosh
Pres.H. of Kings.

Approved 19th, 1903.

P. Porter,
Principal Chief.

To the Honorable House of Kings and Warriors,
 Okmulgee, Ind.Terr.,
 Oct. 17, 1903.

Gentlemen:

I have the honor to recommend for your confirmation the
 Honorable Robert Frye for Auditor of the Creek Nation.

Very respectfully yours,

P.Porter,

Prin.Chief.

Votes cast in the House of Kings on the Chief's nomination
 for National Auditor, Robert Frye.

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Oct. 17, 1903.

Lee McNeVins, Clerk

Roley McIntosh, Pres.H. of K.

Lee McNeVins, Clerk (Sic)

Votes Cast in the House of Warriors in the Chief's nomination
 for National Auditor, Robert Frye.

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A.P.McKellop, Clerk.

J.H.Land, Sp. H. of W. Protem.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma--a-130--Pleasant Porter's
 general letters.

November 24, 1903

Be it Resolved by the National Council of the Muskogee Nation:

That the two houses of Council meet in joint session in the House of Warriors at 1:00 P.M. this 24th day of November 1903, for the purpose of conferring with the Hon. J. Blair Shoenfelt, United States Indian Agent, and also the United States Indian Inspector or other Official who may be in the City this instant on business pertaining to the Muskogee Nation.

Be it further Resolved that the Prin. Chief, P.Porter, is hereby requested to extend invitation to said Government Officials to meet the Council at said hall and time.

Adopted Nov. 24, 1903.

Lee McNevins
Clerk.

Roley McIntosh
Pres. House of Kings.

Concurred in Nov. 24, 1903.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh
Sp. House of Warriors.

Approved Nov. 24th, 1903.

P.Porter,
Prin. Chief, M.N.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma--a-131--Pleasant Porter's general letters.

December 2, 1903

Whereas, the claimants to the fund, provided for the payment of what is known as the Loyal Creek Claim are scattered over the whole of the Creek Nation, and,

Whereas, many of these claimants have but a small interest in said fund, and are indigent circumstances and unable to pay traveling expenses, and,

Whereas, it would devolve upon such claimants living at a considerable distance from Muskogee or any other single point, an expense which they can ill afford, to be compelled to take a long trip from their respective homes to receive their share of such fund,

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the National Council of the Creek Nation, that the Interior Department be, and is hereby respectfully requested to make such payment at the several following points, to wit: at the towns of Wetumka, Sapulpa, Okmulgee, Muskogee and Eufaula, such officer first giving public notice of the time and place when and where such payments will be made at each of said towns.

Adopted Dec.1,1903.

Lee McNevins
Clerk.

Roley McIntosh
Pres. House of Kings.

Concurred in after amended also at
Holdenville, Dec.1,1903.

Amendment concurred in, Dec.2,1903.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh
Sp. H. of Warriors.

Approved Dec.2,1903.

P.Porter,--Prin.Chief.

(Endorsed) Union agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma--a-132--Pleasant Porter's general letters.

December 12, 1903

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated out of the general fund, the sum of thirty-seven dollars and forty-five cents, (\$37.45), in favor of Joe Haynes, the janitor, for expenditures for fuel, etc., said sum to be paid in accordance with such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior for the disbursement of the Creek funds.

Adopted Dec. 12, 1903.

Sam Grayson
Clerk.

James ^{his} x Smith.
mark

A.P. McKellop

Witnesses:
E.E. Hardridge

Concurred in Dec. 12, 1903.

Mildred Childers
Clerk.

Alex Davis
Sp. House of Warriors.

Approved Dec. 12, 1903.

P. Porter,
Prin. Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma--a-132--Pleasant Porter's general letters.

December 12, 1903

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated out of the General Funds, the sum of Thirty-eight dollars and eighty-three cents, (\$38.83), in favor of Parkinson, Trent Mer. Co., for stationery and other articles for the National Council.

Said sum to be paid in accordance with such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior for the disbursement of the Creek Funds.

Adopted Dec. 12, 1903.

his

James X Smith

mark

Sam Grayson

Clerk.

Witnesses: Theo G. Stidham
E. E. Hardridge

Concurred in Dec. 14, 1903.

Sp. House of Warriors.

Mildred Childers

Clerk.

Approved Dec. 14, 1903.

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma--a-133--Pleasant Porter's general letters.

December 17, 1903

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated out of the General Funds the sum of One Hundred and forty-four dollars, (\$144.00), for the purpose of paying the per diem of the Clerks of various standing committees for the session of Dec.5th to 17th of December 1903 inclusive, the said sum to be paid in accordance with the rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior in the disbursement of Creek Funds.

John Smith, Claims Committee,	\$30.00
J.H.Lynch, Judiciary Committee,	27.00
Nancy Cox, Educational Committee,	30.00
Sanford Scott, Finance Committee,	30.00
Walter Hill, Foreign Relations Comt.	27.00
Lewis Greenwood, Internal Impr'vt Comt.	30.00
	<u>174.00</u>

Adopted Dec.17,1903

Mildred Childers
Clerk

Alex Davis
Sp.House of Warriors.
Chas. Coachman

Concurred in Dec.17,1903
his

Sam Grayson
Clerk

James x Smith
mark

Witness: A.P.McKellop
E.E.Hardridge

Approved Dec.17,1903

P.Porter
Prin.Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma--a-134--Pleasant Porter's general letters.

December 12, 1903

A N A C T

Making appropriations to pay for extra clerical aid incident to the issuance of deeds.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated out of the General Funds of the Muskogee Nation, the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars, (\$2,500.00), or so much thereof as may be necessary, in favor of the Executive Office, for the purpose of paying the Clerical expenses incident to the issuance of deeds and keeping a proper record of same.

A strict account of the expenditure of said sum to be kept by the Principal Chief for the information of the National Council.

Adopted Dec.12,1903

Mildred Childers
Clerk

Alex Davis
Sp.House of Warriors.

Concurred in Dec.17,1903
his

Sam Grayson
Clerk

James x Smith
mark

Witnesses: E.E.Hardridge
John A.Jacobs

Approved Dec.17th,1903

P.Porter,

Prin.Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma--a-135--Pleasant Porter's general letters.

December 17, 1903

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated out of the General funds the sum of Six Thousand One Hundred and ninety-one Dollars (\$6191.00), for the purpose of paying the per diem and mileage of the members, clerk, interpreter, chaplain, Sergeant of Arms of the House of Warriors for the session of Dec. 5 to the 17, 1903 inclusive. The said sum is to be paid in accordance with the rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior.

Adopted Dec.17,1903.

Mildred Childers
Clerk

Alex Davis
Sp. House of Warriors.

Sam Grayson
Clerk

Concurred in Dec. 17, 1903
his
James x Smith
mark
Pres. House of Kings.

Witnesses: Theo G. Stidham
A.P. McKellop

Approved Dec.17,1903.

P.Porter

Prin.Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma-a-136-Pleasant Porter's general letters.

Pay Roll of Members of House of Warriors, Sergeant at Arms, Clerks, Interpreters and Chaplain.

Alex Davis	\$55.00	Samuel Foster	53.60
Wash Adams	55.00	John Francis	67.80
James Alexander	65.80	Thomas Fulson	61.00
Lewis Benton	64.00	John Foley	60.00
Wash Benton	39.80	Dick Fatt	59.80
Larry Brown	64.80	Dave Fields	56.80
Charlie Bird	61.00	Solomon Franklin	57.20
Albert Burgess	54.00	W.E.Gentry	57.00
John Bruner	62.00	J.M.Grayson	55.00
Tom Bruner	63.20	Robert Grayson, Jr.	61.40
Robert Bruner	63.40	Thomas Grayson	56.00
John Buck	68.80	Nocus Harjo	63.20
William Buck	59.60	Totkis Harjo	59.00
Simon Billie	68.20	David Harry	58.40
Solomon Bullet	62.00	G.W.Hill	56.00
Carthlony	59.00	Mitchell Hill	62.00
Anderson Chisholm	64.20	William Hawkins	64.00
Limbo Carr	68.20	L.C.Hardridge	64.00
Sarty Cowe	69.60	Joseph Howard	64.00
Thompson Cousin	66.40	Bustin Hawkins	64.00
Thomas Culler	64.00	Dick Herrod	66.20
D.B.Childers	65.00	Cobray Hill	55.00
Joe Cox	61.60	George Island	61.00
Ned Ceasar	61.00	Unah Johnson	53.20
L.C.Drew	64.80	Robert Johnson	67.00
Ramsy Deere	60.00	John A.Jacobs	62.80
C.H.Drew	66.40	Eli Jacobs	65.00

Moses Jimmerson	62.40	William Sullivan	56.20
J.C.Johnson	65.20	Charley Simmons	62.00
Johnson King	68.20	Siah	62.40
Jeff T. Kanard	59.40	R.M. Stevens	64.00
Jackson King	56.00	Billie Tiger	66.40
London Knight	61.60	Johnson E.Tiger	59.40
Thomas Larney	53.40	Josie Tika	57.80
Henry Long	62.20	Dick Tiger	62.40
J.H.Land	59.20	Isaac Warrior	66.60
J.H.Lewis	63.40	Sandy Watson	60.00
Burnie McIntosh	60.80	Robert West	55.00
Watie Morrison	70.00	John Yarbrough	64.00
Peter McNac	56.80	Billie Yahola	61.20
Levi Mitchell	57.20	Chapley Yahola	60.60
Burnie McCoser	63.60	The.E.Stidham	48.00
Robert Manuel	59.00	Mildred Childers	65.00
Thos.W.Manuel	58.40	E.E.Childers	66.00
John Myers	61.00	William Jimboy	59.40
Isom Peters	57.00		
Tim Proctor	63.00		
Enos Perryman	65.00		
Robert Pond	60.60		
Cudjo Pond	61.40		
Thomas Riley	70.00		
Dave Roberts	60.00		
Ben Richard	59.00		
H.C.Reed	56.40		
G.W.Stidham	57.40		
Robert Salumber	69.80		

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Okla-a-137-P.Porter's general ltrs.

A R E S O L U T I O N

Providing for the collection of moneys due the Creek Nation
from sale of lands for Cemeteries, Parks and Schools.

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That the Principal Chief of the Muskogee Nation is hereby
authorized to take such steps as he may deem proper to collect
moneys due the Creek Nation, from the sale of lands for cemeteries,
parks and schools, as provided in the Supplemental Agreement rati-
fied July 26, 1902.

Adopted October 22, 1902.

Lee McNevins
Clerk.

T.W. Perryman
President House of Kings.

Concurred in October 22, 1902

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh
Speaker House of Warriors.

Approved October 23, 1902.

P. Porter,
Principal Chief Muskogee, Nation.

--P. Porter general letters (Principal Chief) An Act(a)---

December 3, 1902.

A N A C T

Relating to land leasing.

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That the Principal Chief shall nominate and the National Council confirm a competent citizen to be known and styled "Lease Inspector," whose term of office shall be one year from December 5th of each year, and whose duties shall be as as (Sic) follows:

He shall have an official seal and may be a Notary Public.

He shall provide a set of books and shall record all lease or rent contracts heretofore made with citizens of the Muskogee Nation, as well as all such contracts made hereafter, all such contracts, where now existing or made after the passage of this act to be subject to his approval, and no lease or rent contract shall be valid or legal unless approved by said inspector, and said approval attested by his official seal.

The charge for the approval and recording of the lease shall be Fifty (50¢) Cents for each lease or rent contract. The record shall show the name of the Lessor or Lessors and of the Lessees ^{or} Lessee, and the day, hour and minute when same was offered for record, the annual cash rental or the consideration, and the time for the expiration of the lease. He shall make each contract in triplicate or require that same be so made, and shall transmit one copy to the Principal Chief to be filed of record, the other two to be handed, each, to the Lessor and Lessee.

The said Inspector shall examine all leases heretofore made, and if they do not meet his approval he shall order new leases made, and if they do not meet his approval he shall order new
---P. Porter general letters--an Act (a).--

leases made upon blanks to be provided by him, or upon blanks embodying substantially the same provisions as the blanks prepared by said Inspector. He shall also see that the interests of all citizens of the Creek Nation are properly protected in their leases, and that they receive a reasonable rental for the use of their lands, considering the location and nature of the land.

The said Inspector shall make such rules and regulations as he may deem necessary to carry out the intent and purpose of this Act, not inconsistent with the Agreements heretofore made and now subsisting between the Governments of the United States and the Creek Nation.

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Lease Inspector shall receive a salary of Fifty (\$50.00) Dollars per month, in addition to the fees for approval and recording of lease contracts as herein provided. He shall also make report to the annual sessions of the National Council.

Adopted December 3, 1902.

Lee McNeVins
Clerk.

T.W.Perryman
President House of Kings.

Concurred in December 3, 1902.

A.P.McKellop
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh
Speaker House of Warriors.

Approved December 3, 1902.

P.Porter
Principal Chief Muskogee Nation.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma. General letters by Pleasant Porter, Principal Chief. An Act.(a)---

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,

Muskogee Nation

P.Porter,Principal Chief.

Okmulgee, I.T., Nov.22,1902.

To the Hon.National Council.

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit, for your consideration, a proposition made by Hon.Leo E.Bennett, United States Marshal for the Western District of the Indian Territory, to rent our Council Building for the use of the United States Court. I believe such a proposition was before your honorable body at the last session of the Council and was rejected. As the present proposition is more favorable to the Nation, I would respectfully request that you give it favorable consideration.

In my judgment, it would be to the advantage of the Nation to have the United States as a tenant, as it would prevent encroachment upon the Council House Grounds, insure the safety of the building and keep the same in good repair, which would not be the case if the building should stand vacant. Besides, it would be a source of some revenue to the Nation, and at the termination of the lease and the dissolution of Tribal Government, when disposition will have to be made of the building and grounds, this proposition would justify the belief that it would bring a much larger price than it would otherwise.

Very respectfully,
P.Porter,
Prin.Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--Pleasant Porters general letters.Re. renting Council Building for the use of the United States Court.-- a--

OFFICE OF UNITED STATES MARSHAL,
Western District, Ind.Ter.,
Muskogee, November 18th., 1902.

Hon.P.Porter,
Principal Chief, Creek Nation,
Okmulgee, Ind.Ter.

Dear Sir:

Acting under and by authority of the Attorney General of the United States I have the honor to advise you that the United States is desirous of renting or leasing the use of the Creek Council building in Okmulgee for offices for the local officers of the court and for holding terms of the United States Court. I have therefore to make the following proposition as a basis for negotiations looking to the rental of the use of said building.

First, That the United States will agree that its use of said building shall not at any time interfere with the holding therein of the regular sessions of the Creek National Council.

Second, That the United States desires the continuous use of the four certain rooms on the East side of the hall on lower floor, as offices for the local officials of the court and for holding terms of Commissioner's court.

Third, That the United States desires the use of the rooms on second floor only during the terms of the United States District Court to be held during the months of April and December in each year, and not exceeding two weeks at any one term.

Fourth, That the Creek National Council make appropriation or provision for repairing these rooms, and making some slight alterations to better fit them for the use of the United States, and for providing such furniture and fixtures as may be required for

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the proper transaction of business of the court, provided, such repairs, alterations, furniture and fixtures shall not cost exceeding the sum of twelve hundred dollars.

Fifth, That the Creek Nation continue in charge of said building through the janitor duly employed by the Creek National Council, such janitor to perform janitor services for the rooms used by the United States, as may be necessary.

Sixth, That in consideration of the Creek Nation renting the use of said rooms to the United States for said court purposes, and in further consideration of providing said furniture and fixtures, (and in supplying janitor services) and heat and light for said rooms whenever necessary to maintain them in a habitable condition, the United States will contract to pay to the Creek Nation the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) per annum from and after the first day of December, 1902, during the life of the contract or agreement which may be entered into, provided that said contract shall terminate on the thirty-first day of December, 1905, or not later than the twenty-eighth day of February, 1906, as may best suit the wishes of the Creek Council.

I beg to ask that you will kindly present this matter to the National Council of the Creek Nation, with such recommendation as you may deem proper to be made, and that you will advise me of the action of the Council that such further steps may be taken by me as may be required to enter into the formal contract in accordance with the terms hereinabove set forth.

Yours very truly,
Leo E. Bennett,
U.S. Marshal.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.

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A R E S O L U T I O N

Providing for appointment of delegates to visit Washington.

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there shall be elected at the present session of the National Council, in the manner provided by law, four competent citizens of the Muskogee Nation to constitute a delegation to represent the interests of said Nation at Washington, D.C., during the present session of Congress; two of said delegates to especially represent those interested in the Loyal Creek claim and the other two to have charge of the resolutions passed by the International Convention held at Eufaula, I.T., on the 28th day of November, 1902, and to present the same to Congress and the proper committees thereof and to the Secretary of the Interior and other proper officials of the Government of the United States, and to use such means and efforts as may be proper and necessary, in conjunction with similar delegates or representatives of the other Nations of the Indian Territory, to carry into effect the purposes for which said International Convention was convened.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Principal Chief shall be ex-officio member of said delegation.

Adopted December 3, 1902.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh,
Speaker House of Warriors.

Concurred in December 3, 1902.

Lee McNevins
Clerk

T.W. Perryman
President House of Kings.

Approved December 3, 1902.

P. Porter,
Principal Chief Muskogee, Nation.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--Pleasant Porters general letters.--b--

EXECUTIVE OFFICE.

Muskogee Nation

P.Porter, Principal Chief.

Okmulgee, I.T. Dec. 3, 1902.

To the Hon. National Council.

Gentlemen:

I have approved your resolution of today providing for delegates to Washington, and have the honor to submit, herewith, for your confirmation, the following named gentlemen to compose said delegation:

Governor Isparhecher

D.M.Hodge

John R. Goate

A.P.McKellop.

Respectfully submitted,

P.Porter,

Prin.Chief.

Adopted Dec. 3, 1902. by unanimous vote of both houses.

Approved Dec. 3rd, 1902

P.Porter, Prin.Chief.

Lee McNevins--Clerk.

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EXECUTIVE OFFICE.

Muskogee Nation

P.Porter,Principal Chief.

Muskogee,I.T., Dec.11,1902.

Hon.J.George Wright,

U.S.Indian Inspector,

Muskogee,Ind.Ter.

Dear Sir:

I enclose herewith, for transmission to the Department for the approval of the President, Act of the National Council providing for the appointment of delegates to visit Washington. The Creek people felt that the present legislation in Congress effecting their interests made it necessary for them to be represented at the seat of Government. They wish to be heard upon all questions touching their landed and monied interests. This winter, the claim known as the Loyal Creek Claim is to be adjudicated, under terms of the Agreement of May, 25,1901, and as a majority of the Creek citizens are interested in the payment of this claim, which has been pending since the termination of the Civil War, it becomes doubly necessary that the Nation have a delegation in Washington to urge the settlement of this long delayed claim.

I therefore earnestly request that you recommend the approval of this Act.

Respectfully,

P.Porter,

Principal Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency,Muskogee,Oklahoma.

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Okmulgee, I.T.

May 20, 1901.

Hon. P. Porter,

Prin. Chief, M.N.

Dear Sir:-

We enclose herewith a draft of a bill amendatory to the act providing for two attorneys to represent the nation before the Dawes Commission. You will readily see the necessity of having the Bill enacted into a law.

There are probably 150 cases pending before the Dawes Commission in which further testimony must be taken before the cases are transmitted to the Secretary of the Interior for final action.

If the Agreement is ratified, those Creeks who are now residing in the Cherokee Nation and the so-called Texas Creeks, as well as those who have been refused enrollment on account of their absence from the Creek Nation, at the time of the passage of the Curtis Act will doubtless make immediate application to the Dawes Commission for enrollment.

All such applicants should be positively identified before being permitted to enroll.

With no provision for payment of office rent and the other necessary expenditures mentioned in the bill the Attornies will be greatly hampered and will be unable to render the service necessary to the proper protection of the interests of the Creek people.

We would therefore respectfully ask that you submit the accompanying bill to the National Council with such recommendations

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with reference thereto as you may deem proper.

Very respectfully,

A.P. McKellop

C.A. Reed,

Attorneys for Creek Nation.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--Pleasant Porters general letters.--c--

Okmulgee, I.T., Oct. 23, 1902.

Honorable Houses of
Kings and Warriors.

Gentlemen:

In accordance with your resolution of Oct. 22nd, 1902, directing me to nominate for your confirmation two suitable persons as delegates, each, to the Choctaw, Chickasaw, and Cherokee Nations, I hereby nominate,

For delegates to the Choctaw Nation,

William McCombs,

Lawyer Deer.

For delegates to the Chickasaw Nation,

Amos McIntosh,

John Goat.

For delegates to the Cherokee Nation,

Cheese McIntosh,

Louis McGilva.

Respectfully submitted,

P. Porter,

Prin. Chief.

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Record of vote on nominations of the Principal Chief for delegations to Choctaw, Chickasaw, and Cherokee Nations, in the House of Warriors, October 23, 1902.

For Choctaw Delegation,	pro	con
William McCombs,	69	
Lawyer Deere,	52	7
For Chickasaw Delegation,		
Amos McIntosh,	69	
John Goat,	67	5
For Cherokee Delegation,		
Cheese McIntosh,	64	5
Louis McGilbra,	60	9

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh
Speaker House of Warriors.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--Pleasant Porters general letters.--d--

A N A C T

Providing for the support of the Indigent.

BE IT ENACTED by the National Council of the Muskogee Nation; That the following names of indigents shall be placed on the indigent pension roll; and they shall be entitled to such funds as may be appropriated for their relief out of the Creek fund, at the rate of three dollars per month per head, to commence on and after the passage and approval of this act, and to continue during their natural life or until the final division of lands and other public property of the Creek Nation shall have been made.

Be it further enacted that the sum of Seven Thousand Two Hundred and thirty-six dollars (\$7,236.00) be and the same are here by appropriated out of the general fund, not otherwise appropriated, for the relief of the indigents, as per accompanying list.

A D O P T E D Nov. 5, 1900.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh
Speaker, House of Warriors.

Concurred in November 5, 1900.

Lee McNeveins
Clerk.

T.W. Perryman
President, House of Kings.

A P P R O V E D Nov. 5, 1900.

F. Porter
Principal Chief.

Attest:

Acting Private Secretary.

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EXECUTIVE OFFICE,

Muskogee Nation

P.Porter,Principal Chief.

Muskogee,I.T., Dec.10,.902.

Hon.J.George Wright,

U.S.Indian Inspector,

Muskogee,Ind.Ter.

Dear Sir:

I enclose herewith, for transmission to the Department for the approval of the President, Act of the National Council approved by me on December 3,1902, creating a roll of Creek Indigents for the year 1903, and making appropriation for their support. For some years past, it has been the custom of the Creek Nation to make some provision for the indigent members of their tribe; at times it has been omitted and again renewed. The Creek People have all taken their allotments, which if properly used would yield to each citizen more than the allowance here made for indigents; yet, as this is an expression of kindness on the part of the Creek people toward their afflicted, I felt it my duty to approve the act and leave it to the Department as to whether it is a proper expenditure of Creek funds.

Very respectfully,

P.Porter,

Prin.Chief Muskogee Nation.

(Endorsed) Union Agency,Muskogee,Oklahoma.--Pleasant Porters general letters.--e--

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Indian Inspector
For

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Indian Territory,

Muskogee, Ind. T., Dec. 11, 1900

Honorable P. Porter,

Principal Chief Creek Nation,

Muskogee Indian Territory,

Sir:

You are respectfully advised that an act of the Creek Nation approved by yourself on the 5th ultimo, and entitled -

"An act providing for the support of the Indigent",
- was approved by the President of the United States on the 3rd instant.

Very respectfully,

J. Geo. Wright,

U. S. Indian Inspector,
for Indian Territory.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.
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List of Indigents enrolled are as follows:--

(1) Coweta Town:

1.	Lucy Hardridge	Old age	No support.
2.	Dulkey Derisaw	"	"
3.	Tipe Marshall	Blind	"
4.	Louina Allen	Old age	"
5.	George Turk	Paralyzed	"
6.	Chotke Miller	Old age	"
7.	Jennie Atkins	Old rheumatism	"
8.	Kuser Perkins	Hemorrhage	"
9.	John Jefferson	"	"
10.	Thomas Lewis	Paralyzed	"
11.	Simon Belcher	Paralyzed	"
12.	Lewis Byrd	Scrofolia	"
13.	Tilda Tiger	Chronic sore eyes	"
14.	Lovina Price	Nearly blind	"

(2) Tuck-a-batch-chee:

1.	Mapeter Tixico	Totally blind	"
2.	Hunochee	Old age	"
3.	Salimi	Totally blind	"
4.	Milley	Rheumatism	"
5.	Lowa-ney	Old age	"
6.	Ha-lah Hopaye	Blind	"
7.	Sopha	Rheumatism	"
8.	Samuel Long	Consumption	"

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(3) Curseta Town:

		No means of support
1.	Tar-par Leh-cher	Totally blind
2.	Mary Hutka	Old age
3.	Silpa	Consumption
4.	Joseph McCombs	Paralyzed
5.	Rosa Thlocco	Old age

(4) Euchtichee Town:

1.	John Coffee	Rheumatism	"	"
2.	Sana Marshall	Totally Blind	"	"
3.	Heka Thorney	Old and Feeble	"	"
4.	Color Fixico	Old and Feeble	"	"
5.	Jeff Francis	Consumption	"	"

(5) Tuskegee Town:

1.	Silka Jessie	Old Age	"	"
2.	Abbie Lowe	Paralyzed	"	"
3.	Hollot Ho-gee	Old and Feeble	"	"
4.	Washington Holden	Rheumatism	"	"
5.	Lyda Jack	Fits	"	"

(6) Broken Arrow:

1.	John McIntosh	Rheumatism	"	"
2.	Mary Chisson	"	"	"
3.	Nettie McIntosh	"	"	"
4.	Sam Brown	Paralyzed	"	"
5.	Wilson Miller	Rheumatism & Blind	"	"

(7) Weogufkey Town

1.	George Smith	Blind	No means of Support.
2.	Yon-HoYe	Old and Feeble	" "
3.	Pe-ho-ye	" " "	" "
4.	Ko-Sa-Pe	Old and Blind	" "

(8) Little R Tulsa:-

1.	Louisi Brown	Blind	" "
2.	Jennie Caboon	Paralyzed	" "
3.	Little Eliza	Rheumatism	" "

(9) Thorp-Thlocco Town:

1.	Susan Walker	Old and Feeble	" "
2.	Hettie Daniel	Old and Feeble	" "
3.	Tecumseh Tinor	Blind	" "
4.	Jemsin Grayson	Nearly Blind	" "

(10) Ke-Cho-par-te

1.	Martha Eatonten	Consumption	" "
2.	Robert Grayson	Rheumatism	" "
3.	Martha Seveger	Nearly Blind	" "

(11) Eufaula Canadian:

1.	We-la-ko-chee	Old and Feeble	" "
2.	Sapsee	Old and Feeble	" "
3.	Fus hut chee Hoy's	Old and Feeble	" "

(12) Hickory Ground:

		No Means of Support.
1.	Amy McGilbra	Old and Feeble
2.	Kizzie Sulphur 4 4	Paralyzed
3.	Disay McNac	Old and Feeble
4.	Alp or see	Unsound mind
5.	Hork-ta	Old and Feeble
6.	Yar-ho-la Hay'o	Unsound mind
7.	To-Korth-Kar	Rheumatism
8.	Pe-yo-ye	Old and Feeble

(13) Kialegir Town:

1.	Ok-chiyi	Old and Blind	"	"
2.	Sa-he-par-kee	Old and Feeble	"	"
	Meliza (3)	Old and Feeble	"	"
4.	Lucinda	Rheumatism	"	"
5.	John Hill	Small pox 1 arm	"	"
6.	Ar-pin-ka Likey	Fits	"	"

(14) Muy aka

1.	Lizsor	Old and Feeble	"	"
2.	Silla Pussie	Paralyzed and Blind	"	"

(15) Lo-cher-Poker

1.	Hullie Deer	Blind	"	"
2.	Williams Walker	Paralyzed	"	"

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3.	Chepam Tulledages	Blind	No means of Support.
4.	Lucy Brown	Old and Feeble	" "
5.	Cotiyah Snake	Old and Feeble	" "
6.	Caesar Rogers	Nearly Blind	" "

(16) Tulsa Canadian

1.	Hailey McGilbra	Old and Feeble	" "
2.	Jennie Laneey	Hemorrhage	" "

(17) Arbeka, N.F.

1.	Cho-ney Chupco	Blind	" "
2.	Si-ka	Blind	" "
3.	Cart-cher Fixico	Blind	" "

(18) Fish Pond:

1.	Mo-ni-yee	Blind	" "
2.	Sin-mee	Rheumatism paralyzed	" "
3.	Chinee Co Chuk-Ney	Rheumatism	" "
4.	Harlis Hill	"	" "
	Suk-tie	Old and Feeble	" "

(19) Greenleaf:

1.	Mi-Sey	Blind	" "
2.	Linda	Paralyzed	" "
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(20) Che-yar-ha:

1.	Wesley Tiger	Dumb and Orphan	" "
2.	William Harrison	Shot and unable	" "

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			No means of Support
3.	Lucinda Cornel	Paralyzed	
(21) Tula-da-gee:			
1.	Washington Red	Old and Feeble	" "
2.	George Hicks	Blind	" "
3.	Polly Thomas	Old and Feeble	" "
4.	Annie Peter	Female Troubles	" "
5.	Pa-Sa-Ka Powell	Nearly Blind	" "
(22) Hilliber Canadian			
1.	Salle McGluss	Rheumatism	" "
2.	Chorly Harjo	Old and Feeble	" "
(23) Hitchen Town:			
1.	Mary Bosin	Deaf	" "
2.	Duffie Morrison	Rheumatism	" "
3.	Millie Starr	Old and Feeble	" "
(24) Inarsartee No. 2:			
1.	Sark-yath-key	Old and Feeble	" "
2.	Lydia	Rheumatism	" "
(25) Pecan Tullahassa:			
1.	Homer Hartis	Old and Feeble	" "
2.	James Robert	An Orphan Boy	" "
3.	Birche	Rheumatism	" "

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(26) Artussie Town:

1.	Katie	Blind	No means of Support
2.	Ellen	An Orphan Girl	" "

(27) Eufaula, D.F.

1.	Hannah Mitchell	Rheumatism	" "
2.	Helen Sullavay	Consumption	" "
3.	Mirsita	Unsound Mind	" "

(28) Took-Parf-Ka:

1.	Simpson Hawkins	Unsound Mind	" "
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(29) Inass-sar-tie No. 1:

1.	Jonas Barnette	Paralyzed	" "
2.	Lowiss Barnette	Rheumatism	" "
3.	Sapha Herrod	Old and Feeble	" "

(30) Ok-fus-key D.F.

1.	Sm-hus-thla	Old and aged	" "
2.	Annis	Rheumatism	" "
3.	Katie	An Orphan	" "

(31) Tulwa Thlocco

1.	Watley Downing	Consumption	" "
2.	Wesley Sugar	Rheumatism in 1 arm	" "
3.	Nicey	Nearly Blind	" "
4.	Tuley Stues	Consumption	" "

(32) Ar-bek-co-chu:

1.	Che-mar-ye	Old and Feeble	No means of support
2.	George West	Paralyzed	" "

(33) Big Springs No Indigents.

(34) A-S-O chu

1.	Tepar-Key	Old and Feeble	" "
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(35) Con-chas Tea

1.	Levina Woodcho	Old and Feeble	" "
2.	Grace Bruner	Rheumatism in one arm	" "
3.	Wysey	Old and Feeble	" "

(36) Wewoka Town

1.	Lut-chen	Rheumatism	" "
2.	Liddy Johnson	Consumption	" "
3.	Meholi Johnson	"	" "

(37) Ok-chi-ye

1.	Medil-lis Smith	Blind	" "
2.	Te-yo	Rheumatism	" "
3.	Liza Kenard	Unsound Mind	" "

(38) Al-a-bama

1.	Hothle Ma-ye	Old and Feeble	" "
2.	Sirsey	Blind	" "
3.	Roman Lasley	Unsound Mind	" "

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4.	Thlo-tho Harjo	Old and Feeble	No means of support
5.	Dickon Par-cher	Nearly Blind	" "

(39) Ok-fus-key Canadian

1.	Salline Johnson	Old and Feeble	" "
2.	Tom Bo-lo-key	Totally Blind	" "
3.	Spit-ka	Palpitation of heart	" "

(40) Tallahassockee:

1.	Major Loney	Totally Blind	" "
2.	Nehor Yar-ho-lo	Old and Feeble	" "

(41) Hut-che Chuppa

1.	Jennie Shawl	Consumption	" "
2.	Niza Cooper	Blind	" "
3.	Tyis	Old and Feeble	" "
4.	Sa-yo-ki-cher	Nearly Blind	" "
5.	La-dy	Unsound Mind	" "
6.	Musker Smith	Paralyzed	" "
7.	Charlie	Orphan and small pox	" "
8.	Pettis	Orphan and small pox	" "

(42) Ar-beka, D.F.

1.	Sallie Layan	Nearly Blind	" "
2.	Elsie Ranell	Blind	" "
3.	John Laslie	Old and Feeble	" "
4.	Marto-chin	Old and Feeble	" "
5.	Eliza Perryman	Old and Feeble	" "

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6. Liza Fife

Subject to Fits

No means
of support

(43) Arkansas (Colored)

1.	Polly Post oak	Old and Blind	"	"
2.	Becka Kanard	Paralyzed	"	"
3.	Jordin Nevin	Totally Blind	"	"
4.	Nalke Hawkin	Paralyzed	"	"
5.	Andrew Sullavan	Blind	"	"
6.	Marish Ponds	Paralyzed	"	"
7.	Charly Marshall	Paralyzed	"	"
8.	Dan Luckey	"	"	"
9.	Harry Sugar	"	"	"
10.	Elvis Hardridge	Blind	"	"
11.	Louisi Anderson	Old and Feeble	"	"
12.	Nancy Lovett	Blind	"	"
13.	Fannie Colbert	Old and Feeble	"	"
14.	Harriot Bishop	Rheumatism	"	"

(44) Canadian (Colored)

1.	Philis Rentie	Old and Feeble	"	"
2.	Samuel Richard	Old and Feeble	"	"
3.	Polly Pond	Old and Feeble	"	"
4.	Sinta Sango	Paralyzed	"	"
5.	Abbie London	Old and Feeble	"	"
6.	Abbie London	Old and Feeble	"	"
7.	Silla Franklin	Old and Feeble	"	"
8.	Ned Rentie	Unsound mind or crazy	"	"
9.	Joe Barnette	Blind	"	"
10.	Nancy Williams	Rheumatism	"	"

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		No means of support
11. Tee-nah	Rheumatism	
12. Hepsie Checotah	Old and Feeble	" "
(45) North Fork (Colored)		
1. Elsie Cobb	Old and Feeble	" "
2. Benus Kanard	Unsound Mind	" "
3. Elsie Doyle	Blind	" "
4. Racheal Grayson	Old Age	" "
5. Bethsey Cobb	Hands Burned	" "
Rinah Everette	Old and Feeble	" "
7. Sampson Fife	Old and Simple	" "
8. Polly Johnson	Unsound Mind	" "
9. Ellen Campbell	Unsound Mind	" "
10. Robert Bruner	Unsound Mind	" "
11. Quarh Carolina	Paralyzed	" "

(46) Thewar-ley Town

Unable to Report

(47)

No Officers to Report.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,

Muskogee Nation.

P.PORTER, PRINCIPAL CHIEF.

May 18, 1901.

The Members of the House of
Kings & Warriors.

Gentlemen:

I herewith transmit to you a letter signed by Noble Scott, King of Eufaula Town, and Amos McIntosh and M.J.Harjo, Warriors, calling attention to the fact that Tulmarsey and Jackson Lewis, who should have been included in the list of Indigents of said town were omitted.

Many of the citizens of the several towns who were enrolled under the law appropriation \$6,000.00 for the benefit of such indigents, since said enrollment have died, and doubtless many others will die before the end of the year, and there will remain of the appropriation referred to quite a sum of money unexpended which could be used for the benefit of such persons as are spoken of in this letter of Scott, McIntosh and Harjo.

I would respectfully suggest that the council appoint a committee to inquire into the matter, as to whether other towns might not have persons that would be entitled to a pension for the same reasons as those now receiving pensions. Also inquire as to those who have since the enactment of the pension law died in order that those may be reported, stating the dates of their death.

I would respectfully suggest that you give this matter your attention during this session of the council.

Respectfully, P.Porter.Prin.Chief
--P.Porters general letters.--g--

May 18, 1901

BE IT RESOLVED: by the National Council of the Muskogee Nation. That a special joint Committee to be composed of Two Kings and Three Warriors be appointed whose duty shall be to take into consideration the Indigent roll made at the last session of Council and investigate the same noting such names as should not have been put on the said roll, the names of those who have died since the making of said roll, stating date of death; it shall also prepare a list of such indigents as may have been omitted from said list or who have become entitled to enrollment since the making of said roll and report to the National Council at as early a day as practicable.

Adopted, May 18, 1901

Amos McIntosh,

Speaker House of Warriors.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Concurred in May 18, 1901

T.W. Perryman

Pres. H. of K.

L. McN.
Clerk.

Committee in the H. of K.

Mitchel Yangee
Wiley Sukey

Committee from H. of Warriors

Nocas Fixico

James Broadenax

Snow Sells

--Pleasant Porters general letters.--g--

Committee Room

May 25th, 1901

Hon. Natl. Council

Gentlemen:

We your Special Joint Committee on Indigent, to whom the matter referred, have examined the Indigent Pension Roll, and have found 25 died since the enrollment and 50 Indigents were omitted on the Pension roll, who were entitled to receive pension. We have placed them on the Indigent list and ask your Hon. Body to adopt the following act.

Wiley Sug-Key

Chairman Committee on Indigent.

G.W.Tiger,
Clk.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma. Pleasant Porters
general letters.--g--

May 25, 1901

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION.

THAT - the following names of Indigents shall be placed on the Indigent pension roll, and they shall be entitled to such funds as may be appropriated for their relief out of Creek funds, at the rate of Three Dollars per month per head, to commence on and after the passage and approval of this act.

And to continue during their Natural life or until the final division of lands and other public property of the Creek Nation shall have been made.

Be it further enacted that the sum of One Thousand Eight Hundred Dollars \$1800, be and the same are hereby appropriated out of the general fund not otherwise appropriated for their relief of the Indigents as per accompanying list.

Adopted 5/25/1901

Amos McIntosh

Sp. H. of W.

A.P. McKellop

Clk.

Concurred in 5/25/1901

T.W. Perryman

Pres. H. of K.

L. McN.

Clk.

LIST OF INDIGENTS WHO WERE OMITTED AND ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Coweta Town.

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|----|-------------------|----------------|---------------------|
| 1. | Ferdinand Raiford | Skull fracture | No means of support |
|----|-------------------|----------------|---------------------|

Tuck-a-batch-chee.

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|----|------------------|----------------|---------|
| 1. | Mary Barnette | Old and feeble | " " " " |
| 2. | Annie Sullavan | Paralized | " " " " |
| 3. | Nicey Carr | Old and feeble | " " " " |
| 4. | Samuel Simon | Epileptic | " " " " |
| 5. | Rachel Reed | Old and feeble | " " " " |
| 6. | Hannah Williams | Rheumatism | " " " " |
| 7. | Hencha Ko-cho-ny | Rheumatism | " " " " |

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|----|---------------|---------|---------|
| 1. | Eliza Eufaula | Old age | " " " " |
|----|---------------|---------|---------|

Broken Arrow

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|----|-----------------|--------------|---------|
| 1. | James Tiger Sr. | Nearly blind | " " " " |
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We-o-gufky

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| 1. | Me-sie Hutky | Rheumatism | " " " " |
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Little R. Tulsa

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|----|-----------------|---------------|---------|
| 1. | Jeanetta Bruner | Chronic Sores | " " " " |
|----|-----------------|---------------|---------|

Thorpthlocco Town

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|----|-----------|--------------|---------|
| 1. | Is-hul-Ky | Old age | " " " " |
| 2. | Scissy | Nearly blind | " " " " |

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3.	Frazer Robinson	Paralized	No means of support				
Ke-cho. Par-Te.							
1.	Betty.	Totally blind	"	"	"	"	"
Eufaula Canadian							
1.	Jackson Lewis	Rheumatism	"	"	"	"	"
2.	Tulmar-sy or Archie Tiger Blind		"	"	"	"	"
Hickory Ground							
1.	Hardy	Old and feeble	"	"	"	"	"
2.	Marthe Jones	Rheumatism	"	"	"	"	"
3.	Simon-Ho-gee.	Old and feeble	"	"	"	"	"
Ok-chi-ye							
1.	Barney	Paralized	"	"	"	"	"
Hiliber Canadian							
1.	Short John	Nearly blind	"	"	"	"	"
He-che-Te							
1.	Tulleche	Fits	"	"	"	"	"
2.	A.P.Stidham	Unsound mind	"	"	"	"	"
Quar-sar-te No.1							
1.	Hepsie McIntosh	Old and feeble	"	"	"	"	"
2.	Disay Hicks	Old and feeble	"	"	"	"	"

---Pleasant Porters general letters.--g--

Tulwa Thlocco Town

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|----|------------|--------------|---------------------|--|--|--|--|
| 1. | James Town | Nearly blind | No means of support | | | | |
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Al-a-bama

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| 1. | U. par-Har-key | Old and feeble | " | " | " | " | " |
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| 1. | Hully Roma | Orphan, helpless | " | " | " | " | " |
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Ok fus ky Canadian

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|----|----------------------|----------------|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | James Henry | Unsound mind | " | " | " | " | " |
| 2. | To-cher-Way. | Old and feeble | " | " | " | " | " |
| 3. | Yor. ma Hikey | Old and feeble | " | " | " | " | " |
| 4. | Car-bits-che Marthea | Old and feeble | " | " | " | " | " |

Tulmo chussie

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|----|-----------------------|------------|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | Liza Washington | Paralized | " | " | " | " | " |
| 2. | Co-ky King | Old age | " | " | " | " | " |
| 3. | Car-bits cher Yoshold | Crippled | " | " | " | " | " |
| 4. | Ma-lar | Rheumatism | " | " | " | " | " |

Pig Spring

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|----|------------------|---------------|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | Ma-lissa-Burgess | Totally blind | " | " | " | " | " |
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Thle-war-ley

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| 1. | Sealin McQueen | Old age | " | " | " | " | " |
| 2. | Silby Hope | Old and blind | " | " | " | " | " |
| 3. | Bucker Hope | Old and feeble | " | " | " | " | " |

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| 4. | Big Ben | Blind | No means of support |
| 5. | Daniel ous key | Scrofolia | " " " " |

Arkansas (Cold)

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|----|-----------------|----------------|---------|
| 1. | Rachel Anderson | Old and feeble | " " " " |
| 2. | Harriot Brown | Rheumatism | " " " " |
| 3. | Mollie Bruner | Old and feeble | " " " " |

Canadian (Cold)

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|----|----------------|----------------|---------|
| 1. | Nellie Holmes | Old and feeble | " " " " |
| 2. | Polly Barnette | Old and feeble | " " " " |

North Fork (Cold)

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|----|--------------|--------------|---------|
| 1. | Jennie Skiff | Unsound mind | " " " " |
|----|--------------|--------------|---------|

Coweta

To be added

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|----|-------------------|--------------|
| 1. | Ferdinand Raiford | Unsound mind |
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LIST OF INDIGENTS---Died after enrollment of Pension Roll.

Coweta Town

1. Lewis Byrd Died Apr.14th 1901

Tuck-a-batch-chee

1. Lowe-ny Died Nov. 25th,1901

Cursetta

1. Silpa Died Feb.28th,1901

Tus kegee

1. Hollet Hoyer Died Apr.13th,1901

Tharpthlocco

1. Hettie Daniel Died Jan.6th,1901

Hickory Ground

1. Alpar-see Died in Apr.1901
2. Hok-ta Died in Jan.1901
3. Tokoth-ka Died on Jan.6th,1901

Tulle da gee

1. Washington Red Died in Feb.1st,1901

Hilibee Canadian

1. Charley Harjo Died in Jan.11th,1901

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Ok-chi-ye

1. Liza Kanard Died in Dec.1900
2. Te-yo Died in Apr.24th,1901
3. Me-chiller Died in Apr.1901

Tulsa Canadian

1. Hailey McGibra Died Mch. 9,1901

Green Leaf

1. Linda Died in Apr.26th,1901

Cher yar Ha

1. William Harrison Died Mch.23rd,1901

Ar-be ka D.T.

1. Eliza Perryman Died Jan.31,1901

Ok. fus ky D.T.

1. Sin-hu. thea Died Feb.1901
2. Annie Died Apr.1901

Eufaula D. T.

1. Helen Sullaven Died Dec.30,1900
2. Minta Died Apr.25,1901

Arkansas (Cold)

1. Becky Kanard Died Mch.30,1901
2. Maria Ponds Died Apr.30,1901

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3. Harriot Bishop

Died Mch.30th,1901

Canadian (Cold)

1. Tu-nah

Died Apr.15th,1901

October 9, 1902.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That the Principal Chief of the Muskogee Nation be, and is hereby, requested to accompany the delegates to be appointed to represent said Nation at the Convention, to be held at South McAlistar, I.T., on the 15th day of October, 1902, of the Five Civilized Tribes of the Indian Territory; the said Principal Chief to have authority similiar to that of the other representatives of this Nation, and to be Ex-officio Chairman of said delegation: the actual expenses of said Principal Chief to be paid out of the appropriation heretofore made for the incidental expenses of the Executive Office for the year 1901-02.

Adopted Oct. 9, 1902.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh
Speaker H. of W.

Concurred in Oct. 9, 1902.

Lee McNevins
Clerk.

T.W. Perryman
Pres. H. of K.

P. Porter

Prin. Chief Muskogee Nation.

--Pleasant Porters general letters--h--

October 16, 1902

A R E S O L U T I O N

To propose continuance of contract now existing between the Muskogee Nation and the Presbyterian Board of Home Missions.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That Hon. P. Porter, Principal Chief, T.W. Perryman, President House of Kings, and Amos McIntosh, Speaker House of Warriors, be and are hereby authorized and directed to submit, to the Presbyterian Board of Home Missions, such proposition for the continuance of the contract under which the Nuyaka Boarding School has heretofore been operated, as in their judgment would be to the best interest of the school.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Principal Chief be and is hereby authorized and directed to enter into contract with the said Presbyterian Board of Home Missions, for the continuance of said contract as heretofore.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the said contract shall, when entered into by and between the Principal Chief, on behalf of the Creek Nation, and the Presbyterian Board of Home Missions, continue in full force and effect only until March 4th, 1906, or until the dissolution of Tribal Government.

Adopted October 16, 1902.

Lee McNevins
Clerk.

T.W. Perryman
President House of Kings.

Concurred in October 16, 1902.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh
Speaker House of Warriors.

Approved October 16, 1902.

P. Porter,

Principal Chief Muskogee Nation.

(Endorsed)

Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--Pleasant Porters general letters.--
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Committee Room.

October 19, 1904.

To the Honorable National Council
of the Muskogee Nation:

Gentlemen: We your Committee on Education respectfully submit the following as our report in the matter of an account against the Creek nation by Turner Hardware & Co. at Muskogee, Ind. Ter. This account is for supplies furnished our National schools years ago but the different councils that have been held seem to have been indisposed to make provision for its payment. The Committee on Education have had this account referred to it time and again and this Committee has repeatedly recommended its payment. Last year we had this matter before us and was sent in to your honorable body with a recommendation that the account be paid but the council adjourned leaving it as one of the unfinished business for this present council. We took it up at this term making the same recommendation as before but was returned to us by the House of Kings with the suggestion that we make a report more in detail, showing the amount of appropriations made by the council for the support of the schools during the period covered by the account of the said Turner Hardware & Co.. About that time and before, all our boarding school superintendents were required to make reports of their schools but these reports have not been preserved by our predecessors and consequently there are books or papers at hand by which we can make a report that will conform to the desire of the House referring the matter to the committee. There is no question that the appropriation for --Pleasant Porters general letters.--1--

support of the schools for the year in which these accounts were made was amply sufficient but this enormous debt resulted in the carelessness and inefficiency of the superintendents to properly look after the schools in their care.

The record of an appropriation for these schools could not vouch-safe the correctness of the accounts but in the absence of any books or papers from which some information can be derived we are of the opinion that the Superintendent of Public Instruction could better make an exhaustive investigation of these accounts than we can and therefore we recommend the adoption of the accompanying resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

Wm. Hill

Chairman pro-tem Educational
Committee.

October 20th, 1904

Be it resolved by the National Council of the Muskogee Nation;

That the Superintendent of Public Instruction be and is hereby directed to make a thorough investigation of all accounts held by Turner Hardware & Co., against the nation for supplies represented to have been furnished the boarding schools of the Creek Nation.

Be it further resolved, that the said superintendent in carrying out the purpose of this resolution shall demand access to all books or papers at the boarding schools mentioned in the claim of the said Turner Hardware & Co., and to do all other things that may be necessary to arrive at a just settlement in the matter.

Be it further resolved, that the said Superintendent shall make a report of his findings to the next session of the annual Council together with his annual report for further action of the National council.

Adopted Oct. 20th, 1904.

James Smith,

Presdt. H. Kings.

G.W.Grayson,
actg.-Clk.

Concurred in Oct. 20th, 1904.

Mr. Tiger,
Clk. Pro Tem,

Alex Davis,

Sp. H. of Warriors.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma--Pleasant Porters
--general letters.--i--

October 20, 1904

WHEREAS, The Principal Chief in his annual message of October 4th, 1904 to the Creek National Council expressed the belief that it is the wish of the Creek people in the question of State-hood for the Indian Territory that such a State government should be formed of the Indian Territory alone without any alliance with the Territory of Oklahoma; and

WHEREAS, at a conference of the chief executives of the Five Civilized Tribes held at Eufaula May 21, 1903 resolutions were unanimously adopted favoring the formation of a State embracing the country now occupied by the Five Civilized Tribes,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That it is the sense of the Creek National Council that if the United States Government shall attempt to carry out its promises of State-hood for the Indian Territory at the next session of Congress the same be established so as to embrace only the Territory now occupied and owned by the so-called Five Civilized Tribes of the Indian Territory.

Adopted Oct. 20th, 1904

James Smith,

Presdt. H. Kings

G.W.Grayson
actg. Clk

Concurred in Oct. 20th, 1904

D.C.Tiger

Alex Davis

Clk Pro tem

Sp. H. of Warriors.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--Pleasant Porters
general letters.--j--

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

Muskogee Nation

P.Porter, Principal Chief.

Okmulgee, Ind.Terr.,

Dec. 14, 1903.

TO THE HONORABLE HOUSE OF KINGS AND WARRIORS:

Gentlemen:

I herewith transmit to you a copy and draft of a Memorial and Resolution of the National Council of the Muskogee Nation to Congress touching the matter of separate statehood for the Indian Territory and expressing the willingness to make a constitution and establish a State embracing the country owned and occupied by the Five Civilized Tribes to go into effect March 4, 1906.

You will give this your endorsement so that I can transmit it immediately to Congress. I am,

Very respectfully yours,

P.Porter,

Prin. Chief.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE.

Muskogee Nation

P.Porter, Principal Chief.

Okmulgee, Ind.Terr.,

Dec. 15, 1903.

TO THE HONORABLE HOUSE OF KINGS:

Gentlemen:

On Dec. 12, I transmitted a draft of an act appropriating \$2,500.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary in favor of the Executive Office for to pay the clerical expenses incident to the issuance of deeds and keeping a proper record of the same.

This passed the House of Warriors but failed to receive your concurrence. I cannot but believe with the proper understanding of the necessity of continuing and completing these records in our office for the benefit of the people, that you would make the appropriation and for that reason, I herewith return the act non concurred in by you and earnestly and respectfully request that you take it under consideration and pass the same.

In the event that you cannot agree to pass it, I would respectfully request you to direct me, by some act or resolution, what course I am to pursue in regards to the records now made and in my hand.

Of the allotment records, about 12500 have been completed accept as to delivery. Records of delivery is made of something over 5,000 persons.

In regard to the Town lot records, I beg leave to inform you that they are made out entirely in our Office and no complete record is kept of any lots except those in the Executive Office and it is absolutely necessary for this to be completed in our --Pleasant Porters general letters.--k--

Office.

I desire that you take this under consideration and dispassionately act upon the same. It is my duty, as your Chief Executive, to follow such direction as you may give me in the matter, but without your advice, I am at a loss to know what to do, in the event you should fail to make this appropriation.

Trusting that you will make the appropriation and I believe it my duty to again return it to you, I hereby do so.

Very respectfully yours,

P.Porter,

Prin.Chief.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE.

Muskogee Nation

P.Porter,Principal Chief.

Okmulgee, Ind.Ter.,

December 12,1903.

To the Honorable

House of Kings and

House of Warriors.

Gentlemen:

During the session of the late Council I made a requisition for an appropriation of four thousand dollars to enable me to complete the record of deeds of allotments of Creek citizens and also that of town lots disposed of in the Creek Nation. This requisition failed to receive their sanction. I now request that an appropriation be made for this purpose. At this time, however, the late Council having made provision for the employment of an interpreter I will ask for a less amount. I believe that two thousand five hundred dollars will answer for this purpose. If you will make this appropriation I will do my best to complete the record in such a manner as will be sufficient for the protection of our citizens and to give them a complete record of the land titles both as to allotments and the sale of town lots in the towns of the Creek Nation disposed of for their benefit. This appropriation is absolutely necessary to enable me to keep an accurate record of the persons to whom deeds are delivered in order to guard against error or fraud.

I herewith transmit the draft of a bill for this purpose.

Very respectfully,

P.Porter.--Principal Chief.

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general letters.--k--

EXECUTIVE OFFICE.

Muskogee Nation
P.Porter, Principal Chief.

Okmulgee, Ind. Ter.

December 10, 1903.

To the Houses of Kings and Warriors of the Muskogee Nation,
In Council assembled:

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit for your consideration the necessity of making an appropriation with which to purchase clothing for the inmates of the Creek Orphan Home and the Colored Orphan Home for the year of 1904.

The amount necessary is nine hundred dollars for the Creek Orphan Home and three hundred dollars for the Colored Orphan Home, together twelve hundred dollars.

Accompanying is a draft of an act making appropriation for the same.

Very respectfully yours,

P.Porter,
Principal Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--Pleasant Porters
general letters.--k--

A N A C T

To provide for Insurance upon the School Houses and other public buildings of the Muskogee Nation.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That the Superintendent of Public Instruction of the Muskogee Nation be and is hereby authorized and directed to renew the insurance upon the school houses and other public buildings belonging to the Muskogee Nation for a period of one year from the expiration of the insurance now in force for an amount not less than Sixty-five Thousand, (\$65,000.00), Dollars, the same to be prorated upon the different buildings in the same proportion as formerly written.

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED:

That the sum of One Thousand two Hundred and Forty, (\$1,240.00) Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the general funds of the Muskogee Nation for the purpose of paying for the insurance on the school houses and other public buildings belonging to the Muskogee Nation, the same to be paid out under such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior for the disbursement of Creek funds.

Adopted Nov. 2, 1904.

Sam Grayson
Clerk

James Smith
Pres. House of Kings.

Concurred in Nov. 3, 1904

Mildred Childers
Clerk

Alex Davis
Sp. House of Warriors.

Approved Nov. 1904.

P. Porter
Prin. Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--Pleasant Porters general letters.--1--

In re Application for Executive Clemency
of Robt. Soldier

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,

Washington, Jun. 11, 1903

Hon. P. Porter,

Prin. Chief,

Muskogee, I.T.

Sir:

You are informed that the papers in the above-entitled case have been submitted to the Attorney General and by him to the President, and that the President, on Jun. 9, 1903 denied the application.

The case is therefore disposed of and the papers have been placed on the files of the Department.

By direction of the Attorney General.

Respectfully yours,

J.S.Easby-Smith

Pardon Attorney.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--Pleasant Porters
general letters.--m--

Muscogee (Creek) Nation.

RESOLUTION

RELATIVE TO A DIS-CONTINUED NATIONAL SCHOOL IN THE TOWN OF
EUFULA

Whereas the Muscogee citizens in the town of Eufaula represent that they have enjoyed the benefits of a neighborhood school in that town for many years, but that this school has been discontinued to their inconvenience and detriment and earnestly desire and request the re-establishment of said neighborhood school, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSCOGEE NATION, That the council sympathizes with the Muscogee citizens of the town of Eufaula in their loss of the neighborhood school lately discontinued by the Honorable J.D. Benedict, and hereby respectfully but earnestly him to re-establish for the Muscogee citizens of the town of Eufaula, the neighborhood school lately discontinued with a competent teacher therefor together with all the rights and privileges of other neighborhood schools of the Nation; and the Principal Chief is hereby requested to present to said J.D. Benedict and urge him to favorable consideration of the object of this resolution.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk of House of Warriors.

Adopted Dec. 14th, 1899.

Amos McIntosh
Speaker of House of Warriors

Concurred in Dec. 15th, 1899

Lee McNevins
Clerk of House of Kings.

T.W. Perryman
Approved: Dec. 15th, 1899

J.E. Tiger
Private Secretary

---Pleasant Porters general letters.---n---

P. PORTER

Prin. Chief, M.N.

Received copies of the above resolution this 18th day of
December 1899.

J.D. Benedict,

Supt.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--Pleasant Porters
general letters.--A--

Okmulgee I.T.

Dec.2,1903

Hon. National Council

Gentlemen:-

We your Judiciary Committee, to whom was referred a special message of the Prin. Chief recommending the election of twenty delegates to the International Constitutional Convention would recommend the adoption of the accompanying Resolution.

Respy.

T.F. Adams,

Chairman.

Mrs. McKellop
Clerk.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:
That the Delegates to be-elected from the Muskogee Nation to the
Constitutional Convention of the Five Civilized Tribes, shall
be nominated by the Principal Chief and confirmed by the National
Council-after --amended 20 delegates

Adopted Dec. 3, 1903

Charles Coachman

Pres. H. of Kings, Pro-tem

Lee McNeVins
Clk.

Concurred in Dec. 4, 1903

Amos McIntosh.

Sp. H. of W.

A.P. McKellop

Approved Dec. 4th, 1903

P. Porter,

Principal Chief.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Indian Inspector

For

Indian Territory,

Muscogee, Ind.T., December 6, 1900.

Hon. P.Porter,

Prin.Chief Muskogee Nation.

Sir:

You are respectfully advised that an Act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on November 5, 1900, and entitled,

"An Act to Provide for the Pay of G.W.Tiger,

Clerk Indigent Committee,"

was submitted by the Honorable Secretary of the Interior to the President of the United States for Executive action on November 21, 1900, was duly approved on November 22, 1900, and has been placed on file in the Office of Indian Affairs, at Washington.

Very respectfully,

J.Geo.Wright,

U.S.Indian Inspector,

for Indian Territory.

A N A C T

To provide for the pay of G.W.Tiger, clerk
Indigent Committee.

Be it enacted by the National Council of the Muskogee Nation:
That there be and is hereby appropriated, out of the general
fund of the Muskogee Nation, the sum of forty-eight dollars
(\$48.00) in favor of G.W.Tiger, for services rendered as clerk
of Committee on Indigents from October 21st to November 5, 1900,
inclusive, \$48.00

A D O P T E D November 5, 1900.

Lee McNevins
Clerk

T.W.Perryman

C O N C U R R E D I N November 5, 1900.

A.P.McKellop
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh
Speaker, House of Warriors.

A P P R O V E D November 5, 1900.

P.Porter
Principal Chief.

ATTEST:

W.S.Fears
Acting Private Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Indian Inspector

For

Indian Territory,

Muskogee, Ind.T., Dec.4,1900

D-1395-'00
Act No. 28.

Honorable P.Porter,
Principal Chief, Creek Nation,
Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:

You are respectfully advised that the act of the National Council of the Creek Nation approved by yourself on November 5, 1900, making provisions for the new permit law, was submitted by the Honorable Secretary of the Interior to the President of the United States on November 21,1900, was duly approved on November 22, 1900, and has been placed on file in the Office of Indian Affairs at Washington.

Very respectfully,

J.Geo.Wright

U.S.Indian Inspector,

for Indian Territory.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--Pleasant Porters
general letters.--q--

Committee Room

October 25, 1900.

The National Council
of the Muskogee Nation.

Gentlemen:

We, your Committee on Education, herewith submit a Bill making appropriation for the Neighborhood Schools for the scholastic year of 1900-1901, and earnestly recommended its passage.

Respectfully submitted.

Charles Coachman

Chairman.

Sue. M. Rogers
Clerk.

A N A C T

Appropriating \$25,000 for the support of
Neighborhood Schools, 1900-1901.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated, for the support of the
sixty-five neighborhood schools for the scholastic year 1900-
1901, the sum of Twenty-five Thousand (\$25,000.00) Dollars, as
follows:

Out of the School fund,.....	\$15,868.40
(Unexpended Balance of appropriation of 1899-1900,.....)	3,342.15
Out of the general fund,.....	5,789.45
	<u>\$25,000.00</u>

Said sum to be paid out in accordance with such rules and
regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior
for the disbursement of Creek funds.

A D O P T E D October 25, 1900.

A.P. McKellop	Siah Gray
Clerk.	Speaker, House of Warriors, Pro Tem.

C O N C U R R E D I N October __, 1900

Lee McNevins	T.W. Perryman
Clerk.	President, House of Kings.

A P P R O V E D October __, 1900.

P. Porter
Principal Chief.

ATTEST:

W.S. Fears
Acting Private Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Indian Inspector
For
Indian Territory,

Muscogee, Ind.T., December 7, 1900.

D 1410-'00
Act No. 23

Honorable P.Porter,
Principal Chief, Creek Nation,
Muscogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:

You are respectfully advised that an act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on November 5, 1900, and entitled -

"An Act making appropriations in favor of Louvina Landrum, Stella Wadsworth, Hannah Roper and W.E.Gentry,"

- was submitted by the Honorable Secretary of the Interior to the President of the United States for executive action on November 27, 1900, and was duly approved on November 28, and has been placed on file in the Office of Indian Affairs at Washington.

In connection with the claims of Louvina Landrum and Stella Wadsworth, and also Mr. W. E. Gentry, it appears that this appropriation was made in lieu of warrants which had heretofore been issued, and which had been either lost or misplaced, and in order to prevent duplicate or fraudulent payments, in view of the fact that the original warrants might still be outstanding and a subsisting liability against the Creek Nation, and might be presented for payment at any time, the Honorable Secretary of the --P.Porters general letters.--P--

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Interior, in submitting this act for approval, stated that the duplicate warrants to be issued thereunder to Louvina Landrum and Stella Wadsworth and Mr. Gentry, should be presented to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs for payment, accompanied by affidavits as to the loss of the originals, and that also a bond of indemnity in twice the amount involved, to secure the Government against loss in event of the original warrants being presented for payment; and you should, therefore, instruct these parties, when the warrants issued under this act were delivered to them, to present their warrants to the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, through this office and refer to the correspondence concerning the approval of this act.

Very respectfully,

J. Geo. Wright,

U.S. Indian Inspector,

for Indian Territory.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--Pleasant Porters
general letters.--r--

Nov. 5, 1900

A N A C T

Making Appropriations in favor of Louvina Landrum,
Tella Wadsworth, Hannah Roper & W. E. Gentry.

BE IT ENACTED by the National Council of the Muskogee Nations:
That there be and is hereby appropriated, out of the general
fund of the Muskogee Nations, sums as follows, to-wit:

Louvina Landrum, services rendered as teacher of New
Paradise School, year 1896, in lieu of
Warrant misplaced in Executive office----- \$75.00
Stella Wadsworth, in lieu of school warrant issued to
her and delivered to the Board of Education and by them
misplaced, and never paid to her----- 75.00
Hannah Roper, services rendered as teacher, Tallehasse
Boarding School, 2n quarter, 1895-6,----- 100.00
W.E.Gentry, pay on account of Merchandise supplied
Wealka Boarding School, 1st quarter, 1898, in
lieu of warrant issued May 26, 1899,----- 252.78

A D O P T E D Nov. 5, 1900.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh
Speaker, House of Warriors.

C O N C U R R E D I N Nov. 5, 1900

Lee McNevins
Clerk.

T.W. Perryman
President House of Kings.

A P P R O V E D Nov. 5, 1900.

P. Porter,
Principal Chief.

ATTEST:
W.S. Fears---Acting Private Secretary.

---Pleasant Porters general letters.--r--

October 31, 1904

WHEREAS: Art. 10th of the Creek Supplemental Agreement provides that the damages to citizens in consequence of the establishment of public highways or roads shall be determined under the direction of the Secretary of the Interior, and

WHEREAS: The allotment of the lands of the Creek Nation and enclosing of allotments by the allottees make it necessary that public roads be opened on the section lines.

THEREFORE: Be it Resolved by the National Council of the Muskogee Nation: That the Secretary of the Interior is hereby requested to provide at as early a day as convenient for the appraisement and award of damages which may be caused to the improvements of citizens in consequence of the opening of public highways or roads as provided for in said Art. 10th of the Creek Supplemental Agreement.

Adopted Oct 31, 1904

James Smith

Pres. H. of Kings

Sam Grayson
Clerk.

Concurred in Nov. 1, 1904

Alex Davis

Spk. H. of W.

Mildred Childers
Clerk.

Approved Nov. 1, 1904

P. Porter----Prin. Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Okla. Pleasant Porters general letters.--s--

Okmulgee, I.T.

Dec. 12th, 1903

To the Honorable National Council

Gentlemen:

Your Committee on Judiciary beg leave to submit the attached Resolution and respectfully recommend your adoption of the same.

Very respectfully,

David Anderson,

Chairman.

J.H. Lynch

Clerk.

BE IT RESOLVED: By the National Council of the Muskogee Nation: That the Principal Chief and the National Attorney are hereby requested to make a complete list of all persons who were admitted or enrolled as citizens of the Creek Nation by the Creek Commission on citizenship, the Dawes Commission, or by the United States Court on appeal, whose names do not regularly appear upon the Authenticated census rolls of 1890 and 1895 and the omitted census rolls of 1895, including the children of such persons, and submit the same to the Honorables Charles J. Bonapart and Clinton R. Woodruff, Special Agents of the United States Government together with the evidence upon which they were admitted or enrolled as citizens of the Muskogee Nation, with a view to securing from the Secretary of the Interior or by act of the Congress of the United States a reopening of

---Pleasant Porters general letters.--t--

of such cases for further investigation.

Adopted Dec.14,1903

Alex Davis

Sp. H. of W.

M.C.
Clk.

Concurred in with the following amendments - That after
the words "Daves Commission, add the words, "And the National
Council" -

Dec. 14,1903

James Smith,

President H. Kings

Sam Grayson

Clerk

Amendment concurred in Dec.14,1903.

M.C.
clerk.

Alex Davis

Spk. H. of W.

(Endorsed) Pleasant Porters general letters.--t--Muskogee, Oklahoma,
Union Agency.

Judiciary Committee

Okmulgee, I.T.

Dec. 2, 1903

Hon. National Council,

Gentlemen:

We your Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred the bill providing for the election of a Sargent-at-Arms, have carefully considered the same - and recommend the adoption of the accompanying Bill.

Respectfully,

T.J. Adams,

Chairman.

Mrs. McKellop,

Clerk.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

That there shall be nominated by the Prin. Chief and confirmed by the National Council a sergeant-at-arms who shall serve for the term of four years or until the dissolution of tribal Government and who shall exercise the authority of a police officer and whose duty shall be attend upon the Council during its sessions and preserve order within each House thereof and within the Capitol Building and the grounds thereof He shall, when directed to do so by the Pres. of the House of Kings or the Speaker of the House of Warriors, Compel the attendance of the members of the Council at the daily sessions thereof, and if any member shall neglect or refuse to attend the sessions of the

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House to which he belongs when summoned to do so by the Sargent-at-Arms, he shall be suspended for the remainder of the session or for such time as the House may decide.

The Sargent-at-Arms shall also act as messenger of the Council and shall carry bills or other documents from our House to the other or from either House to the Executive office.

He shall also compel the attendance of members upon their Committees when directed to do so by the Chairman of the Committees, and any member who fails or refuses to attend a Committee of which he is a member when summoned to do so will be liable to the same penalty as in case of refusal to attend the sessions of the Council.

The sargent-at-Arms shall be subject to impeachment trial and removal from office for neglect of duty or misdemeanor in office in like manner as other offices.

He shall receive the same mileage and per diem as allowed members of Council while in actual service.

Adopted Dec.3,1903,

Amos McIntosh,

Sp. H. of W.

A.P.McKellop
Clerk.

Concurred in Dec.3,1903

Charles Coachman
Pres.H. of Kings, Pro-tem

Lee McNevins,
Clk.

Approved Dec.4th,1903
P.Porter,
Principal Chief.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--Pleasant Porters
general letters.--u--

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
United States Indian Inspector
For
Indian Territory,

D 1408-'00

Muscogee, Ind. T., December 7, 1900.

Honorable P. Porter,
Principal Chief, Creek Nation,
Muscogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:

You are respectfully advised that an act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by yourself on October 27, 1900, and entitled -

"An Act providing for the support of boarding schools,"
- was submitted by the Honorable Secretary of the Interior to the President of the United States for executive action on November 26, 1900, and was duly approved on the same date, and has been placed on file in the office of Indian Affairs at Washington.

Very respectfully,

J. Geo. Wright,

U.S. Indian Inspector,

for Indian Territory.

ACT PROVIDING FOR SUPPORT OF
BOARDING SCHOOLS

Be it enacted by the National Council of the Muskogee Nation:

That there be, and is hereby, appropriated out of the School Funds of the Muskogee Nation the sum of Sixty Thousand

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Six Hundred (\$60,600.00) Dollars for the support of the National Boarding Schools and Orphan Asylums for the scholastic year ending November 14, 1901 as follows:

Tallahassee Boarding School.	\$9,000.00
Eufaula High School.	9,000.00
Wetumka Boarding School.	9,000.00
Wealaka Boarding School.	4,500.00
Pecan Creek Boarding School.	4,500.00
Euchee Boarding Schools.	4,500.00
Creek Orphan School.	6,666.66 2/3
Colored Orphan Asylum.	3,333.33 1/3
Coweta Boarding School.	4,500.00
Nuyaka Boarding School.	5,600.00
	\$60,600.00

Said amounts to be paid out in accordance with such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior for the disbursement of Creek funds.

A D O P T E D October 25th, 1900.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk.

Siah Gray
Speaker, House of Warriors,
Pro Tem

C O N C U R R E D I N October 25th, 1900

Lee McNevins
Clerk.

T.W. Perryman
President, House of Kings.

A P P R O V E D October ____, 1900.

Pleasant Porter
Principal Chief.

ATTEST:

W.S. Fears
Acting Private Secretary.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--Pleasant Porters
general letters.--v--

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
Office of U.S. Indian Inspector,
For
Indian Territory,

Muscogee, Ind.T.,

January 10, 1900.

(Recorded on pages
4 & 5--R.B.)

Hon. Pleasant Porter,
Principal Chief, Creek Nation,
Muscogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:

You are respectfully advised that an Act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by Principal Chief Isparhecher on December 4, 1899, and entitled:

"An Act to provide for the pay of members, clerk and interpreter of the House of Warriors, was submitted by the Honorable Secretary of the Interior to the President of the United States for executive action on December 26, 1899, and was duly approved on the 26th ultimo, and has been placed on file in the Office of Indian Affairs at Washington.

Very respectfully,

J. Geo. Wright,

U.S. Indian Inspector, for
the Indian Territory.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--Pleasant Porters
general letters.--W--

Muscogee (Creek) Nation

AN ACT

TO PROVIDE FOR PAY OF MEMBERS, CLERK AND INTERPRETER OF HOUSE
OF WARRIORS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSCOGEE NATION:

That there be and is hereby appropriated out of the General Funds, the sum of Fourteen Thousand One Hundred and Eighty three and 40/100 Dollars, in payment of per-diem and mileage of the members, clerk and Interpreter, of the House of Warriors during the regular session of 1899, beginning Oct, 3rd. and ending Oct, 19th. and also beginning Nov, 17 and ending Dec, 4th. making the thirty working days as required by said sum to be paid under such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior for the disbursement of Creek Funds.

W.A.Sapulpa,-----	\$155.20
Asbuty, Joshua-----	146.00
Barnett, Ben-----	156.00
Barnett, Dick-----	150.80
Barnett, Monday-----	162.00
Barnett, Jackson-----	152.00
Barnett, J.F.-----	156.00
Berryhill, Wm.-----	156.00
Berryhill, Richard----	122.00
Broadenax, James-----	123.20
Bruner, Tom-----	148.00
Bruner, Linety-----	158.00
Buck, John-----	148.80
Carthony-----	148.80

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Cain, Ottawa-----	166.00	Harjo, Chofollup-----	\$146.80
Canard, Joseph-----	142.40	Hawkins, Bustin-----	152.00
Chissoe, Austin-----	148.00	Hawkins, Wm.-----	160.00
Lasly Cloud-----	138.00	Harry, Davis-----	154.00
Davis Alec-----	141.20	Haynes, James-----	112.80
Davis, Joe-----	138.00	Herrod, Dick-----	162.00
Deere, Lewis-----	157.20	Hicks, Geo.-----	154.80
Deere, Lawyer-----	160.80	Hopaye, Artus-----	120.00
Durant, Steven-----	156.00	Island, George-----	154.40
Ewing, P.R.-----	156.00	Jackson, Chowe-----	162.00
Fixico, Tulmochus-----	155.20	Jackson, Green-----	152.00
Fixico, Noeus-----	148.00	Jefferson, John-----	68.00
Fisher, H.C.-----	75.00	Jimison, Mose-----	152.00
Fish, Jimsey-----	122.80	Johnson, Daniel-----	142.80
Fields, Harper-----	156.00	Johnson, Robert-----	158.00
Franklin, Tobe-----	148.00	Johnson, Keeper-----	146.00
Gano, Peter-----	148.00	Lasly, Sam-----	158.00
Gentry, W.E.-----	114.00	Lewis, Johnson-----	158.80
Gibson, Joseph-----	142.80	Lewis, P.A.-----	148.40
Grayson, G.W.-----	144.00	Long, Thos.-----	160.00
Grayson, Robt.-----	159.20	Lovett, George-----	74.00
Grayson, Tackey-----	148.80	Mackey, Lovely-----	148.00
Grey, Walter-----	76.00	Manuel, Robt.-----	154.00
Grey Siah-----	144.00	McCombs, Jas.-----	156.00
Greenwood, Dick-----	158.40	Monday, Mannie-----	162.00
Green, Jesse-----	122.80	Moore, Wm.-----	144.00
Harjo, Johnson-----	149.20	Monroe, R.C.-----	156.00
Harjo, Isparney-----	158.00	Perryman, T.W.-----	160.00
Harjo, Littif-----	144.80	Perryman, Wm.-----	156.00
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Peter, Isom-----	\$110.00
Pierce, Jacob-----	160.00
Phillips, Pompey-----	150.80
Primus, Joe-----	152.00
Robison, Joe-----	76.00
Roberts, Chas.-----	156.00
Sawyer, Mose-----	118.00
Sells, Snow-----	162.00
Siah,-----	158.80
Starr, Daniel-----	152.00
Stephens, R.M.-----	156.00
Stidham, H.C.-----	148.00
Smith, James-----	158.00
Smith, Jeffrey-----	156.00
Smith, Wesley-----	152.00
Sullivan, Wm.-----	136.00
Spaniard, J.F.-----	120.00
Tiger, Tobe-----	146.00
Tiger, John-----	160.00
Thomas, Harley-----	157.20
Thompson, Joe-----	154.00
Walker, Eddie-----	144.00
Walker, Geo. W.-----	79.00
Yahola, Osooch-----	77.00
Yahola, Chapley-----	154.00
A.P. McKellop-----Clerk	156.40
Sam, J. Haynes, Interperter-	140.00

In all Fourteen Thousand One Hundred Eighty-three and 40/100
(\$14,183.40) Dollars.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk of H. of W.

Adopted 12/4/99

W.A. Sapulpa
Speaker of H. of W.

Concurred in Dec. 4th, 1899

Lee McNeveins
Clerk of H. of K.

G.A. Alexander
President of H. of K.

Approved Dec. 4th, 1899

H.M. Harjo
Priv. Sec.

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Prin. Chief.

Witnesses
- F.B. Severs
- B.G. Baugh.

Approved Dec. 26, 1899
By
Wm. McKinley.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma. --Pleasant Porters
general letters. --W--

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
Office of U.S. Indian Inspector,
For
Indian Territory,

Muscogee, Ind. T.,

January 10, 1900.

Hon. Pleasant Porter,
Principal Chief, Creek Nation,
Muscogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:

You are respectfully advised that the Act of the National Council of the Creek Nation, approved by Principal Chief Isparhecher on December 4, 1899, and entitled:

"An Act to provide for pay of members of House of
Kings, clerk and interpreter,"

was submitted by the Honorable Secretary of the Interior to the President of the United States for executive action on December 26, 1899, and was duly approved on the same date, and has been placed on file in the Office of Indian Affairs at Washington.

Very respectfully,

J. Geo. Wright,

U.S. Indian Inspector, for
the Indian Territory.

Muscogee (Creek) Nation

AN ACT

TO PROVIDE FOR PAY OF MEMBERS OF HOUSE OF KINGS, CLERK AND
INTERPRETER.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSCOGEE NATION:

-----Pleasant Porters general letters--x--

EXECUTIVE OFFICE, # 3

Muscogee Nation,

Dec. 4th, 1899

I, Isparcher, Principal Chief of the Muscogee Nation, do hereby certify that the foregoing is an act of the National Council of said Nation passed at its Nov. session, 1899, and approved by me in my official character on Dec. 4th, 1899, and I do hereby submit the same for the approval of the President of the United States under the provisions of the Act of Congress of June 7, 1897 (30 Stats., 62, 64), entitled "An Act making appropriations for the current and contingent expenses of the Indian Department, and for fulfilling treaty stipulations with various Indian tribes for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, and for other purposes."

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name as Principal Chief of the Muscogee Nation on this the 4th day of December 1899, and caused the great seal of the Nation to be affixed.

his
Isparcher x
mark

Principal Chief Muscogee Nation.

ATTEST:----H.M. Harjo---National Secretary.

F.B. Severe---Witnesses

B.G. Baugh --

EXECUTIVE MANSION,

Washington, _____, 189 _____

APPROVED:

----Pleasant Porters general letters.---X---

That there be and is hereby appropriated out of the General Fund of the Muscogee Nation, the sum of Seven Thousand Three Hundred Sixty-four (\$7364.00) Dollars in favor of members, clerk and interpreter of the House of Kings, being payment of mileage and per-diem of the regular session of council of 1899, the first half beginning Oct, 3rd and ending Dec. 6th, 19th, the second half beginning Nov, 17th, and ending Dec, 4th, 1899.

The same to be paid in accordance with such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of the Interior for the disbursement of Creek Funds.

Alexander, G.A.-----	\$158.00	Frank, Thomas-----	\$154.40
Anderson, Austin-----	144.80	George, Sugar-----	141.20
Adams, Wash-----	113.60	Harjo, Woxey-----	150.00
Byrd, James-----	157.60	Buck, Joe-----	154.80
Beaver, Sanger-----	137.60	Harjo, Oches-----	150.00
Brown, Roland-----	142.80	Hodge, D.M.-----	156.00
Bruner, Barney-----	150.80	Hill, Geo. W.-----	148.00
Bruner, Paro-----	160.80	Jefferson, Silas-----	150.00
Barnett, Billie-----	156.00	Harjo, Tulsey-----	155.20
Barnett, Wm.-----	158.00	Key, Tommie-----	151.20
Brown, S.W.-----	118.00	Knight, Wilson-----	158.00
Bear, Little-----	143.60	Fife, Timmie-----	123.20
Childers, A.J.-----	108.00	Mieco, Concharty-----	154.00
Coachman, Charles-----	156.00	McIntosh, Wm.-----	150.80
Deere, James-----	164.00	McIntosh, Abram-----	146.00
Bruner, Joseph-----	156.80	Mingo, Joseph-----	154.40
Ematha, Okchun-----	156.80	McWilliams, Thos-----	158.00
Francis, John-----	157.60	Riley, Washington-----	154.80

-----Pleasant Porters general letters.--x--

Stewart, Robt-----	\$166.00
Scott, Lumber-----	154.00
Scott, Billy-----	152.00
Wiley, Sukey-----	163.20
Salumber Robt.-----	157.60
Starr, Robison-----	146.00
Simmer-----	161.60
Scott, Noble-----	150.00
Thompson, March-----	150.00
Wesley, John-----	154.00
McIntosh, Bunnie-(interp.)	157.60
McNevins, Lee, clerk----	166.00
George Kanard-----	155.20

In all Seven Thousand Three Hundred Sixty-four (\$364.00)
Dollars.

Lee McNevins
Clerk of H. of K.

Adopted Dec. 4th, 1899
G.A. Alexander
Pres. of H. of K.

A.P. McKellop
Clerk of H. of W.

Concurred in 12/4/99

W.A. Sapulpa
Sp. of H. of W.

H.M. Harjo
Priv. Sec.

Approved Dec. 4th, 1899
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Witnesses
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(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--Pleasant Porters
general letters.--x--

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

Muskogee Nation

P. Porter, Principal Chief.

Okmulgee, Indian Territory,

November 27, 1903.

TO THE HONORABLE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE MUSKOGEE NATION:

Gentlemen:

I herewith transmit to you draft of the act providing for the salary of the Principal Chief to be twenty five hundred dollars (\$2500) after December 5th, next, and in which act is also contained an additional appropriation of fifteen hundred dollars for the purpose of carrying the same into effect. As you now understand, the salary of the Principal Chief is one thousand dollars per year: in the past he has been able to fill this office and also devote his attention to other business, but it has now come to a point in your government that his entire attention is directed to the affairs of the office, thereby making impossible and I daresay improper, at this time, for him to engage in other business. During the next two years, while winding up the affairs of the Nation, it will be absolutely necessary for him to spend a large portion of his time with the National Attorney in Washington. As you have, by a resolution, directed your National Attorney to look into the financial matters of the Nation, it will be necessary for your Principal Chief to assist in this matter, which will require some time and I am confident will result in saving the Nation several thousand dollars.

The salary of your executive officer should be commensurate

---Pleasant Porters general letters.--y--

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with the services rendered and this I consider only half of the actual value of the services he will be called upon to render during his ensuing term. If the salary of your Principal Chief is increased at all it must be now, because when he enters upon the duties of his office, his salary can neither be increased or diminished during his term of office and this term begins on the fifth day of December. To fail to pass this act and make it a law, will be in my judgment, a detriment to your own interests and thereby other matters will be left undone, which ought to be done for the lack of funds.

I trust that you will give this your careful attention and I urge that it be adopted by your Honorable bodies without delay.

Respectfully submitted,

Moty Tiger,

Acting Principal Chief.

Read & Referred to H. of Warriors

Nov.30,1903

Lee McNeveins

Sam Logan

Pres. H. of Kings Pro-tem

Read and referred back to Moty Tiger, Acting Principal Chief. Dec.1,1903.

A.P.McKellop
Clerk.

Amos McIntosh
Sp. House of Warriors.

(Endorsed) Union Agency, Muskogee, Oklahoma.--Pleasant Porters
general letters.--y--