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SIR: In compliance with your verbal request of Saturday last, I have the honor to enclose, herewith, a tabular statement exhibiting the sales, within certain periods, in the Chickasaw cession at the graduated prices.

In preparing the enclosed, it was necessary to use the utmost despatch, in order to have it ready this morning, as you requested; and, consequently, it was impracticable to make the requisite examinations and calculations as carefully as they would have been made had more time been allowed. It is believed, however, that the enclosed is sufficiently accurate to answer general purposes, and it is hoped that it may be found satisfactory.

With great respect, your obedient servant,

JOHN M. MOORE,
Principal clerk public lands, for the Commissioner.

The Hon. THOMAS H. BENTON,
Senate of the United States.
Statement exhibiting the sales in the Chickasaw cession of 1832, within certain periods, and up to 30th September, 1838, at the graduated prices.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Date of proclamation</th>
<th>Commencement of public sale</th>
<th>Close of public sale</th>
<th>Quantity offered at public sale</th>
<th>Quantity subject to private entry at the same sale</th>
<th>Amount sold at $1.25 per acre the first year thereafter</th>
<th>Amount sold at $1 per acre the second year thereafter</th>
<th>Amount sold at $1.50 per acre thereafter</th>
<th>Acres.</th>
<th>Remarks</th>
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<tr>
<td>24th June, 1835</td>
<td>4th Jan., 1836</td>
<td>31st Jan., 1836</td>
<td>Acres. 960,023</td>
<td>Acres. 576,692</td>
<td>Acres. 207,545</td>
<td>Acres. 37,016</td>
<td>Acres. 58,565</td>
<td>62,000</td>
<td>Sales included to 30th September, 1838.</td>
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<td>20th May, 1836</td>
<td>5th Sept., 1836</td>
<td>20th Nov., 1836</td>
<td>Acres. 2,061,430</td>
<td>Acres. 2,036,127</td>
<td>Acres. 189,500</td>
<td>Acres. 37,280</td>
<td>Acres. 26,080</td>
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<td>Lands under third proclamation not yet subject to entry at 50 cents.</td>
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<td>21st Feb., 1837</td>
<td>29th May, 1837</td>
<td>11th June, 1837</td>
<td>Acres. 467,520</td>
<td>Acres. 402,741</td>
<td>Acres. 29,230</td>
<td>Acres. 16,800</td>
<td>Acres. 26,080</td>
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General Land Office, December 26, 1838.