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DEFICIENCIES OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR CHIPPEWAS OF PEMBINA AND RED LAKE.

LETTER

FROM

THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR,

TRANSMITTING

Estimates to supply deficiencies for the Chippewas of Pembina and Red Lake under treaty of 2d October, 1863.

FEBRUARY 22, 1865.—Referred to the Committee of Ways and Means and ordered to be printed

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, Washington, D. C., February 21, 1865.

Sir: I submit, herewith, a copy of a report of the Commissioner of Indian Affairs of the 18th instant, and accompanying estimate of appropriation to supply deficiency for the Chippewas of Red lake and Pembina, under the 4th and 5th articles of the treaty of 2d October, 1863, amounting to \$5,500, and recommend that the sum may be appropriated for the objects specified in the estimate.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

C. P. USHER, Secretary.

Hon. Schuyler Colfax, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
Office Indian Affairs, February 18, 1865.

Sin: I have the honor to enclose herewith a communication from Superintendent Thompson, of the 17th instant, calling my attention to the deficiency in estimating for an appropriation for the Chippewas of Red lake, and Pembina band of Chippewas in Minnesota, under treaty October 2, 1863, and the treaty

supplementary thereto of April 12, 1864.

The first estimate for appropriations submitted under the treaty was prepared under the provisions of the supplementary treaty, and was designed to cover the engagements contemplated in the treaty, but it is claimed by Superintendent Thompson, I am informed, and so understood by the Indians, that the Senate amendments did not affect the latter clause of the fourth article, or the second clause of the fifth article of the treaty of October 2, 1863, and that, therefore, the respective sums embraced in the estimate herewith are due and

payable to said Indians under the treaty. I have, therefore, to recommend that the same may be laid before the proper committees with a view to an appropriation at the present session of Congress.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant.

W. P. DOLE, Commissioner.

Hon. John P. Usher, Secretary of the Interior.

WASHINGTON, February 17, 1865.

Sir: I have the honor to inform you that my attention has been called to the deficiency existing in providing for the appropriation for the Chippewas of Red lake and Pembina, under the latter clause of the 4th article, treaty October 2, 1863, providing a sum of \$2,000, to be expended in the purchase of powder, lead, and twine, &c., to be distributed to the said Indians at their first payment. Also the second clause of the 5th article, same treaty, promising the sum of \$500 to be paid to each of the seven chiefs at their first payment, to enable them to build houses for themselves, making the sum of \$3,500. I have therefore to recommend that an estimate may be laid before Congress, with the request that an appropriation be made to enable the payment to said Indians in compliance with the terms of the treaty.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

CLARK W. THOMPSON, Superintendent of Indian Affairs.

Hon. WM. P. Dole, Commissioner of Indian Affairs.

> DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, Office Indian Affairs, February 18, 1865.

Estimate of appropriation required to supply deficiency in the first payment due to the Chippewas of Red lake and Pembina bands of Chippewa Indians in Minnesota, under treaty of October 2, 1865.

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