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RATIFIED TREATY NO. 17⁴
DOCUMENTS RELATING TO THE NEGOTIATION OF THE
TREATY OF OCTOBER 24, 1832, WITH THE KICKAPOO INDIANS

Castor Hill, St. Louis County Mo.
October 31st 1832.

Sir

We have the honor to inform you
that Treaties have been concluded with the follow-
ing Tribes - The Shawanoes & Delawares, -
The Peorias & Kaskaskias, and
The Piankashaws & Weas - all of whom
have ceded & relinquished to the U.S. States the whole
of their lands & possessions within the States of Illi-
nois & Missouri, together with every claim which
they have heretofore presented against Citizens
of the U.S. for improvements on the lands they
moved from, for loss of horses & other stock &c.
with the exception only, of a small tract of land
near Kaskaskia of 350 Acres heretofore reserved
to the Heirs of Deconque, & confirmed by Congress.

The variety of interests of those several
Tribes rendered it indispensably necessary to treat
with

with them separately, altho' two of each were embodied in a Treaty, as stated, with the exception of the Kickapoos with whom the Treaty is as yet incomplete, - they requiring one or two of the Commissioners to accompany a Deputation of their people to the lands assigned them, for the purpose of examining its situation and ascertaining its boundaries. No arrangement could be otherwise effected with that Tribe; so soon as their Treaty is perfected it shall be forwarded with all the others, and accompanied by a Transcript from the journal of our proceedings; a perusal of this document will shew the reasons for many of the stipulations contained in the Treaties.

The general prevalence of Cholera in St. Louis, and the fact of the existence of several well authenticated cases in the Country, together with an appearance of the usual Premonitory Symptoms in several persons attached to the Commission, renders an adjournment positively necessary.

Among

Among the Tribes present at these Treas-
ties, are the whole of Prophets Band of Kicka-
poo, from Vermillion River in Illinois, consisting
of three hundred & fifty Souls, including a few Put-
tawattamies who attached themselves to that Band.

With a view of hurrying them off as soon as pos-
sible, and of aiding their removal, we have been
compelled to purchase a considerable number
of horses to effect the object; our Expenditures have
thus, been considerably increased: every mea-
sure which the most Vigilant Precaution could
suggest, has been resorted to, for the prevention
of that dreaded disease, and a hope is confidently
entertained that Cholera will not make
its appearance among the Indians.

We have forwarded to the Commissioners
West, transcripts of such of our proceedings as
in our opinion, has any connection with the du-
ties required of them.

Having effected the principal object of
about 146 Dwellings.

the Government, by the removal of all the Indians from Illinois & Missouri, we venture to express the hope that our proceedings will be found satisfactory.

Herewith enclosed, is a statement, shewing the amount of the stipulations on the part of the Government, with the several Tribes.

With high respect
we have the honor to be
Your most ob^t. Servt.

Mr. Nov 23.

Green Office.

November 21 1832

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Wm Clark
Nathan Edwards
Frank J. Marion

Genl & Mr Clark
et Edwards
H. J. Marion
Oct 21 - 1832

Thee How:

Secretary of War
Washington city.

~~St. Louis~~ ^{St. Louis}
Dec^r 20. 1832
From Genl

Wm Clark

Enclosed - Kickapoo &
other treaties. by Mr
Payne

No enclosures

July 29- 1911

July 11 1832
Com. Ind. affairs

as. Jan.

Superintendency of Ind: Affairs
St. Louis Decr 20th 1832.

Sir

Mr. Robert Payne, the bearer here-
of will have the honor of handing you the
Treaties concluded with the Kickapoos,
Delawares, Shawnees, Pottowattomies,
Weas & Peankashaws - together with the Jour-
nal of proceedings of the Commissioners, the
transmission of which has been delayed
longer than I had anticipated; the Commis-
sioners who went to examine the lands assign-
ed to the Kickapoos, not having returned un-
til a few days since. I regret to say, their
Report of the land assigned to the Kickapoos
is much less favorable regarding quality of
the soil, than I expected.

The accounts of expenses of
the

the Treaties, and of assistance afforded to
the moving Indians will be forwarded by
next-mail, together with an Estimate of
the amounts required for their execution in
the first year.

I have the honor to be
with high respect
Your most ob^r. Serv:


H. M. Clark

The Hon:

Lewis Cass,

Secretary of War.

* Kaskaskia Treaty of Oct. 27, 1832, cede and released to the U. States
the lands granted them by the first art. of the treaty of August
13, 1803, viz. a tract of about 350 acres, near the town of Kaskaskia,
and the "right of locating one other tract of 1280 acres"
within the bounds of the ceded land, "which tracts shall
remain to them forever," — the first named tract reser-
ving to Ellen Decouigne, the late Chieftain's daughter, the
tract of 350 acres near the town of Kaskaskia

The Surveyor Genl. in writing to G. L. Office, March
13, 1861, says 640 acres of the 1280, were surveyed for the
Kaskaskias, on the 9th and 10th of February, 1809, and on
the 10th of October, 1868, 443 acres, which appears to
be part of the same tract, were surveyed, but
by whom, or on what authority does not appear.