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RATIFIED TREATY NO. 200
DOCUMENTS RELATING TO THE NEGOTIATION OF
THE TREATY OF MARCH 26, 1836, WITH MESQUAWBUCK'S
BAND OF POTAWATOMI INDIANS

Ind of Indiana
March 31. 1836

P. 1824

A. C. Pepper

Transmits two treaties
made with two separate
bands of the Petawatomies
Has measures in progress
for making others

May 19. 1836.
Indian Office

sent from Peto. to Peter
Warner sent to Kent
Sept 9 June 3. 4. see
letter.

See letter to the President
May 21. 1836

3-26-36

Indian Agency, Indiana,
March 30. 1830. —

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit herewith two
Treaties concluded with two separate bands of
Pohawattinis Indians under your instructions of
25th January last, and the treaties entered into last
year with the same bands by Genl. Marshall. — The
enclosed paper A. 1. will be explained by referring to
one of the last named treaties. — A. 2. will explain the
reason for inserting the contingent article in the Treaty
with Muck. Kasis band in favour of Peter Warner. —

I have measures in progress for perfecting
other treaties, and will lose no time in advising of the
result. —

Very respectfully

Your Obedt. Servant. —

A. C. Pepper
Commissioner

Hon. Lewis Cass
Secretary of War

Ch. Hans Draft

no. 1.

United States of

To Hamilton & Tuler

For the following Articles purchased and delivered to the Kaws
party of Wabash Potawatomes by William Marshall Commissioner of the
United States viz

1834	To 2 1/2 pairs 3 point Mearna Blankets @ 10 ⁰⁰	25 00
"	" 17 yds Gray best cloth @ 3 ⁰⁰	51 00
"	" 1 pr Mearna Blue Calico 28 y - 25 ⁰⁰	7 00
"	" 1 pr fancy Cherts 28 y @ 37 ⁰⁰	10 50
"	" 1 pr Black Silk handkerchiefs 20 @ 50 ⁰⁰ ea	10 00
"	" 12 Large 58 inch Shells @ 15 ⁰⁰	18 00
"	" 10 large Spear point Knives @ 75	4 50
"	" 8 Bunches cut Beads	4 00
		<u>\$100 00</u>

We the undersigned Commissioners appointed by the Commissioner on the
part of the United States to hold Treaty with the Potawatomy tribe of
Indians of the Wabash, do hereby certify that the goods mentioned in
the foregoing invoice are of a suitable quality and at fair prices
having due regard to the wants of Indians and the customs of
the country and that the same have been delivered to said
party by order of said Commissioner
M. S. Scott
Ben Hurst

To the Honble Lewis Cass Secy of war

Sir After the ratification of the
Treaty with the Kaws party of Wabash Potawatomy Indians, concluded
on the 13th day of December 1834 and an appropriation by Congress for that
purpose, please pay to the order of Hamilton & Tuler One hundred dollars
the amount of goods delivered by them to said party of Indians, by order of the
undersigned Commissioner on the part of the United States, the same being
paid agreeable to an article of said treaty & being no wise person-
ally accountable for the same Dec 13th 1834

Duplicate

William Marshall
Commissioner

Logansport Apr 15. 1836.

Col

Abel C. Peppae

Encloses treaty made
with Au bee namb hee's
band. (Potawatomes.)

expects to make treaties
with other bands. —

Amn treaty will be
sent to Senate

Ans. 13. May 1836.

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26 April 1836

Indian Office

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Logansport April 15. 1836.

Sir,

Enclosed I have the honor to transmit a Treaty concluded with Ob-ba-naub-bas band. This was the largest reservation, and of more importance in other respects than any belonging to the Pottawatomies. I shall expect to make arrangements with other bands in a few days.

Gen. Lewis Cass }
Sec. of War }

Very respectfully
Your Obedt Servt.
A. C. Pepper

Ind. Ag. 27th April 1836.

A. B. Pepper

Was made treaties with
five bands of the Potawat
omies &c

Encloses letter from A
Desjaille -

Advice of drafts &c

Encloses accounts

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9 May 1836

Indian Office

Copy.

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acts to V. and J.

July 21 - SK

and 11 May

Indian Agency, Indiana
April 27. 1836

for,
On the 15th March, I entered upon the discharge
of the trust conferred by your instructions of the 25th of
January last, and have been employed since that time
collecting the several bands of Patanattimies, in whose favor
treaties were made in 1832, and negotiating with them for
a cession of their land. - Five treaties have been concluded
with as many bands, embracing upwards of thirty six
thousand acres. - The other bands owning reservations
have all been visited at their lodges, or assembled here and
talked with about emigration and a cession of their land,
and although they declined making an arrangement now,
yet I am persuaded that after the delusion practiced upon
the religious credulity of these people and their priests,
by the late Chiefs who visited ^{you} last winter, shall have passed
away, they will sell and go West. - At yellow river, I was
told by a Chief in Council, that the President had informed
Me. no. mi. nie and Che. cho. case, that they had sold most
of their land, but still they had a right to stay as long as

they pleased on it. - The kind of deception under which they labour is to be accounted for by the enclosed copy of a letter from the Priest. - Some of the Headmen of three of these bands, since I visited them, came to see me, and said they would sell during the approaching summer, I think they will do so. -

I have drawn a Draft on you at sight in favour of Jordan Vigus for Eighty two Dollars and seventy four Cents, the amount of provisions purchased and delivered to the Indians; and a Draft in favour of the Cashier of the Branch of the State Bank of Indiana, at Lammaburgh, for Five hundred and fifty four Dollars, payable after the ratification of the treaties. -

With great respect

Your obt. servt.

A. C. Pepper

Now,
Lewis C. Case
Secretary of War

Copy of Record
W. DeWitt's Letters

Near Bertrand Berrien County N. Carolina

21 day of March 1836.

Sir,

The Indians of the reserve of Me-no-mi-na,
Muck-kah-tah-mo-way having obtained from
the General Government the special favor of
remaining undisturbed upon their reserve as long as
they should wish to remain there: of which I am
advised by a letter of Mr Gibson Comptroller of
Subsistence in date 23 January 1836. and it being
their great desire to have as soon as next Spring a
School upon their reservation for the instruction
of their children; I do apply by this to your
Agency for an authorization for this purpose, if it were
possible through your interference to get any appropriation
out of the Indian instruction funds, I should be
very grateful, if not I feel disposed to undertake it
gratis. For the motives now mentioned, I am quite
confident Sir, you will not make any difficulty to
permit me as therefore to continue the moral and
religious instruction of the Indians of your Agency; viz
of those of the village of Me-no-mi-na Che-cha-ese and
Ash-Kum who all have received the same favor by
a rescript of the Secretary of War in date 9. January 1836.

Further I do assure you Sir, that I should feel happy to
oblige you whenever it shall be possible. Signed

A. B. Pepper
Indian Agent

(A Copy)

A. DeSaille

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Indian Agency Indiana

Aug 8. 1836

Col. A. S. Peaper

Has made treaties with
several bands of Potawatomes
- expects to make others -

Has drawn upon the Dept.
for \$62⁵⁰/₁₀₀ to defray the exp
enses of said treaties -

Resumed the duties of Comd
1st of July -

Envelopes coats & vouchers &c

Aug Aug 18 1836

Letter

[Faint, mostly illegible handwritten text, possibly bleed-through or a second page of a letter.]

Indian Agency, Arkansas

July 8. 1835

Sir,

On the first day of July ult. I resumed the duties of Commissioner to treat with the Pottawatomie under the instructions of the party of War of 25th January 1835. - I visited and sent Messengers to most of the villages and made arrangements for holding a general Council with the chiefs and headmen on the 6th Inst. - On the 4th most of the Indians assembled. - On the 5th I explained to them the object of convening them. - Told them they had sold all their land except some little strips. - That their Great Father wanted to purchase all, and would give them a fair price for it - that he now offered them land West of the Mississippi, where he would remove them, and provide for, and protect them as heretofore - that if they wished to retain their habits and customs, and not submit to the laws of the white man, there was no alternative but to accept the proposition of the government. - If any of them desired to lease their land from their Great Father who had held their party

for more than 40 Years, and remain in this State and
submit to the laws, they were at liberty to do so. But
I urged them in strong terms to accept the good offer made
them by the Government. —

They retired from the Council and consulted
among themselves. about two hours, returned and replied
that they had listened well to the advice and proposition
of their Great-Father. — That they would not refuse his
good offer, nor my advice to accept it. — They admitted
they could not stay long in this Country, but asked me
to let them remain a little longer. — I answered, that
I was glad they were willing to receive my advice, that they
would not probably be removed this year, and that when
ever the time approached when their wants and interests
required them to go, I would let them know. —

After the general Council adjourned, I
consulted with the several bands separately and concluded
a treaty with the bands of Me. no. mi. ne, No. tan. kah,
Mac. kah. tah. mo. ah (and) Pa. pin. a. way for a region of
Twenty two Sections of Land at On. (Ollun. pi. and)
The Headmen of the Bands of Ash. Kum (and) The. se. o. was
The. san — To. i. sis brother and Mo. sank, wished

to have a little time to consult among themselves, but
all promised to sell in a few weeks. - I think there is
no reason to doubt that all the Potawatomi Persons
in Indiana, can be obtained before winter, and that most
of these Indians may be removed West next year. -

W. J. pleased to transmit the enclosed letter
to the Secretary of War, advising him that I have drawn
a draft for One hundred & Twenty Six Dollars and 50/100
the amount disbursed to defray expenses of treaty. -

The Trucking, Abstract and account
current for provisions furnished are herewith enclosed. -
The above treaty will be transmitted after another effort
shall be made to obtain other copies. -

I have the honor, to be,

Respectfully,

C. M. Fort.

A. C. Pepper
Indian Agent.

C. A. Harris Esq.
Commissioner Ind. Affairs

C. J. A. - Ind. P. 48.
Col. A. C. Popper.
Indian Ag. Oct 15. 1836.

Transmits treaties con-
cluded by him with Potawat-
omie Chiefs: viz - with Mo-
suck - Mewisaw, Mac-
Kah tah, mo ah, and with
the proper chiefs ^{of the tribes} commonly
called Pott of the Wabash.
Also transmits his acct
for negotiating said treaties.

Wm. Cooper

Wm. Cooper
Kenty

Act. Dec 12 1836. -
Treaties sent to Sec of War
Feb 27. 1836. -

Indian Agency, Indiana
October 15. 1836

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that I have negotiated treaties with the bands of Me-wis-sah, Mac-kah-tah-mo-ah, and Mo-back, - and a treaty with the proper Chiefs of the tribe commonly called the Patawattimies of the Wabash, for the reservations made in 1832, for the use of the Bands of Ash-kim, & Me-si-o-nah, - The Band of Me-saw, Mo-ta, and Me-no-quet. -

These treaties embrace all the land owned by the above tribes in Indiana, and will be transmitted to you in due time, - for the action of the President and Senate. - And also the accounts &c. for expenses and services rendered in negotiating them. -

Very respectfully

Yours Obedt. Servant
A. C. Pepper
Indian Agent.

Cary A. Harris Esq
Com. Ind. Affairs } 30