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RATIFIED TREATY NO. 211

DOCUMENTS RELATING TO THE NEGOTIATION OF THE
TREATY OF SEPTEMBER 17, 1836, WITH THE IOWA AND SAUK
AND FOX OF THE MISSOURI (WEST OF MISSOURI) INDIANS

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Oct. 13. 1836.
Indian Office

Sau & Fox
Pawnee — 3750 ✓ — 3750 ✓

Ojibwa 1270 ✓

Blackfoot 2250 ✓

Sioux 550 ✓ 400

Pawnee 1000 ✓ 1000 ✓

Walat 400 ✓

Ward
Ans^d 14 Oct. 1836

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Genl Wm Clark
St Louis Sept 27. 1836.

Transmits Treaty
concluded by him with
the Iowa and Sac & Fox
(parties to the treaty of Prairie
du Chien) for the extinguish-
ment of their claim to the
country lying between
Missouri & Mississippi rivers.

Found it indispensably
necessary to advance the
\$7500 provided for in the
11th Art of said treaty. —

Requests authority to
draw for the same —

3750 — 1st Fox
3750 — 2nd Fox

7500 —

(to be certified.)

Clark

Superintendent of Indian Affairs,
St. Louis, Sept. 27th, 1836.

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose to you, herewith, a treaty I concluded on the 17th inst. at Fort Leavenworth, with the Iowa and Missouri bands of Sac & Fox, for the extinguishment of their claim to the country lying between the State of Missouri and the Missouri river, under authority of your letter of the 30th June. The terms were the best which, under all the circumstances of the case, could be obtained, and will place the Indians after their removal to the strip of country assigned them, in a situation somewhat, tho' not very materially, better than their present one. I shall feel gratified if they meet your approbation and that of the President.

In accordance with your instructions, I consulted at the earliest opportunity, ^{three of} the gentlemen composing the Missouri Delegation in Congress, on the several points indicated, connected with the measure in question. I wished to secure their personal co-operation in effecting the treaty, but was not so fortunate as to do so, in consequence of the various paramount claims on their attention. They were fully apprised, however, of my views on the subject, as well as of the terms upon which I thought the relinquishment of the tribes stated, could be obtained,

(and which were substantially the same as those embraced in the encloses,) and assured me they entirely agreed with me in opinion, and the measure should receive their hearty support.

In order to effect a treaty at all, I found it absolutely indispensable to advance the \$7,500. cash, allowed by the 1st article, as a Present. A like sum will, most probably, be required by the Agents directed to obtain the relinquishment of the other tribes parties to the treaty of Prairie du Chien, of July 1830, who reside on the Missouri and Mississippi; making in all about \$15,000. And as I have authorized those Agents to draw on me, I shall feel obliged by your causing this sum to be remitted to Major Grant, subject to my order, or allow me to draw direct on the Department therefor.

I have the honor to be,
Very respectfully,
Your ob. Servt.

Wm Clark S. 1834

Hon. Lewis Cass, }
Secretary of War, }
Washington }
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Paid in cash \$ 7,500

Amount of 4200 foreman worth at 5 per cent 90,000

Lower

Ag. Implement. Co 14,500

Same for Lau & Lake 55,000

\$ 162,500

And 400 Section Land

400
5000

~~Others say same~~

\$ 325,000

Something like 50 cents an acre

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St. Louis, Septr. 27th, 1836.

Sir,

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of Keeokuak, or without consulting them first.

The Agent enquired how they would be paid the annuities for the year 1837.

Keeokuak principal Chief, Wapella, Powsheek & Musquetapai spoke in council, about thirty or forty Chiefs and principal men being present: - It is the wish of the Sacs & Foxes to have their annuities for 1837, paid in money to their Chiefs. In a full council of the Chiefs and head men of the Sacs & Foxes we came to this resolve, which we communicated to you in a large Council last spring - We have made no change, and we now say the same. The Salt and Tobacco you inform us is not here, but is possibly on the way - we are sorry for it as we are much in want of Tobacco.

Keeokuak X mark

Wapella X mark

Powsheek X mark

Weesheecamacquil X mark

We Certify that the above is a correct statement of what occurred at the payment of the annuities of 1836, and contains the substance of what the Indians said.

Rock Island 15 August 1836.

Jos. M. Street U. S. Ind. Agent.

John Beach

Comd'g Ft Armstrong

Payment of annuities to the Sac & Fox Indians at Rock Island the 15 August 1836,- for the year 1836.-

The Chiefs and principal men of the Sacs & Foxes, agreeable to the appointment of the Indian Agent assembled at Fort Armstrong to receive the annuities coming to the Sacs & Foxes for the year 1836.

The Agent said, in compliance with the wishes of the Sacs & Foxes expressed to him in council last Spring, he had appointed this day, and now was ready to have the annuities in money paid to them, so soon as the receipts which he explained were signed. Keeokuck replied that they were ready to sign the receipts, but they wished to know why their annuities were smaller than formerly. The Agent said all he knew was contained in a note annexed to a tabular statement from the Commissioner of Indian affairs at Washington - in that it was said, the 1320\$ of the annuities had been paid to Genl. Ashley for a claim on the annuities. The Indians expressed their surprise, said they did not know Genl. Ashley, and had given no authority to any person to receive any part of their annuities. They desired the Agent to represent this to the President and request that the \$1320 retained out of their annuities may be sent to them as soon as practicable, and some account of the claim of Genl. Ashley against them - if on examination they find it just, they will arrange to pay it as soon as they can, but not out of the annuities of 1836, as they were previously engaged. The Indians also desired the Agent to request that their annuities may hereafter be paid in the spring so as not to interfere with the summer hunt, - and that no part of their annuities may be paid to any but their Chiefs under the direction

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