



that 320 acres be set apart in fee simple to all who had entered upon said lands & that then the balance be subject to pre-emption as other public lands." This you perceive covers the ground just as intended previous to my departure, this report was made the 8th inst & is now before the Secy & tomorrow I am to see him & take the subject up - I shall press the right of the Indians to a patent for the whole, and possibly he will be inclined to urge the passage of a law setting apart in fee, 320 acres to each - Mix decided the reversionary interest of the $\frac{1}{2}$ breed Kaws to the 23 sections to be in the Delawares - Weer is contending that it is in the Gov^t & thus the dead sections open to pre-emption by the settlers - The Secy does not agree with Weer at all, nor exactly with Mix, being a little strongly inclined towards the $\frac{1}{2}$ breeds themselves - To this there is no objection, provided he will provide for its sale, at a certain price the money rec'd to be for the benefit of the $\frac{1}{2}$ breeds & giving the settlers the privilege of buying at a certain price - It is to be taken up tomorrow, when the Secy will hear my views upon it - Mix has been terribly pressed with business, but as the Pawnee

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