

the Osage Nation of Indians had no interest whatever. How much of said proceeds has been diverted and so used, since that time, the records will show.

This I submit was unauthorized and wrong.

The land ceded was the the property of the Osage Indians, and when sold by the United States, the money received therefor should have been placed to their credit.

I would therefore respectfully ask that you cause the account between the United States and said Indians, relative to their lands in Kansas, to be examined and adjusted according to law ; and that if an appropriation by Congress is required, to reimburse said Indians, on account of the proceeds of sales of said ceded lands, diverted and misapplied as aforesaid, that you report the facts to Congress, with such recommendation for relief as in your judgment the facts warrant.

Respectfully submitted.

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