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ACTS AND RESOLUTIONS

OF THE

GENERAL COUNCIL

OF THE

CHOCTAW NATION.

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Acts of the Choctaw Nation.

BILL No. 1.

RESOLUTION Creating Clerks for Finance and School Committees for the October session 1899.

Be it resolved by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

SECTION 1. That the chairman of Finance and School committees shall appoint clerks for their respective committees, whose duties it shall be to make and keep a full and complete record of the work of said committees

SEC. 2. *Be it further resolved:* That the aforesaid clerks shall receive for their services four (\$4.00) dollars per day; that the National Auditor shall issue his warrant for actual services, and the Treasurer shall pay the same. And this resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved this 6th day of October, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,
Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL No. 2.

A RESOLUTION Authorizing the Principal Chief to Appoint a Commission to Investigate and Report Upon the Condition of Affairs at Jones Academy.

Be it Resolved by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

That the Principal Chief is hereby authorized and directed to appoint a commission of two members of the Council, whose duty it shall be to proceed immediately after appointment to the school at Jones Academy and there make full, minute, and careful investigation into the condition of said academy, and especially to examine the preparation, quality and quantity of food supplied to the pupils of said Jones Academy, and to examine and investigate such other features in the management and conduct of said school as in the minds of said commission shall seem expedient and necessary to the interests of said school.

Be it further Resolved: That said commission shall make written report to the present session of the Council as soon as convenient after their work, and that said commission shall be entitled to only their actual expenses in going to and returning from said academy. And this resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved this 7th day of October, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

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BILL No. 3.

A RESOLUTION Authorizing the Principal Chief to Appoint a Commission to Confer with the Authorities of the Chickasaw Nation.

Be it Resolved by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled.

That the Principal Chief is hereby authorized and directed to appoint some competent person whose duty it shall be to proceed forthwith after his appointment, to the capital of the Chickasaw Nation, and there confer and make and complete arrangements with said authorities, to secure the appointment of a committee or commission on behalf of said Chickasaw Nation by the proper authorities thereof, to meet and confer with a like committee or commission from the Choctaw Nation, for the purpose of making a final and satisfactory arrangement and settlement relative to the payment of all or any royalties which may be due from the one Nation to the other; and to arrive at and perfect an arrangement securing to said Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations their joint co-operation against the land claims of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway Company within said Nations

Be it further Resolved: That the person herein to be appointed shall arrange and settle the date and place of meeting, with said Chickasaw authorities, of said committees or commissions, and that said meeting shall be made as speedily as possible and at some convenient place, preferably at Tushkahoma, Indian Territory, and that said person who shall be appointed as herein pro



vided for shall be entitled to a compensation of five dollars (\$5.00) per day for his services, together with actual expenses incurred in the performance of his duties as herein provided for, a detailed statement of which shall be filed with his report. And this resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved this October 7th, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL No 4.

A RESOLUTION Requesting the Secretary of the Interior to Make a Report.

Be it Resolved by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

SECTION 1. That the Principal Chief of the Choctaw Nation is hereby empowered and authorized to request the Secretary of the Interior to furnish him with a statement showing the amount of money received out of revenues and royalties since the adoption of the Choctaw-Chickasaw and Dawes agreement, and also the amount of disbursements made therefrom; and report the same to the present session of Council.

SEC. 2. *Be it further Resolved:* That this resolution take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved this 12th day of October, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.



BILL No. 5.

A RESOLUTION Instructing the Board of Education.

Whereas, The Secretary of the Interior of the United States has assumed control of the schools of the Choctaw Nation, to the exclusion of the Board of Education of the Choctaw Nation; and the laws of the Choctaw Nation require the Board of Education of the Choctaw Nation to supervise, manage, and control the schools of the Choctaw Nation; and

Whereas, The said laws of the Choctaw Nation are in full force, the same having never been repealed, nullified, or suspended by any law or treaty; and

Whereas, The Board of Education of the Choctaw Nation has ceased to supervise, manage, or control said schools on account of the interference of the said Secretary of the Interior, without authority of law; therefore

Be it Resolved by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

That the Board of Education is hereby ordered and instructed to proceed at once to open up and conduct the schools of the Choctaw Nation according to the Choctaw laws.

And that this resolution take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved this the 11th day of October, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN.

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL No. 6.

AN ACT for the Relief of Mrs. Jane F. McCurtain.

Be it Enacted by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled :

SECTION 1. That the sum of one thousand and seventy dollars and forty cents (\$1,070.40), is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated, to reimburse Mrs. Jane F. McCurtain for money expended by her as interests incurred on debts while she was superintendent of Jones Academy, and the National Auditor shall issue his warrant in her favor for said amount.

Approved October 19, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

Executive Mansion, Washington, D. C., Dec, 8, 1899.

Approved:

WILLIAM MCKINLEY.

BILL No. 7.

AN ACT to Authorize the Principal Chief to Employ an Attorney for the Choctaw Nation in Citizenship Cases.

Be it Enacted by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled :

SECTION 1. That the Principal Chief is hereby authorized and empowered to employ some competent person as attorney and counselor for the Choctaw Nation in citizenship cases, and the services of said

attorney shall not begin later than November 23, 1899, and continue until the rolls of Choctaw citizens are completed by the Dawes Commission and approved by the Secretary of the Interior, unless said attorney shall sooner be dismissed for cause.

SEC. 2. *Be it further Enacted:* That the salary of said attorney shall be at the rate of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) per year, payable quarterly on the certificate of the Principal Chief, upon which the National Auditor shall issue his warrant and the National Treasurer shall pay the same.

SEC. 3 *Be it further Enacted:* That should the said rolls be completed before the expiration of one year, then in that event, said attorney shall receive payment only in proportion to the time of his actual service.

SEC. 4. *Be it further Enacted:* That said attorney shall make full report of all his actions to the next General Council.

And this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved October 19, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,
Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

Executive Mansion, Washington D. C., January 10, 1900.

Approved: WILLIAM MCKINLEY.

BILL No. 8

AN ACT Creating the office of Delegate to Attend the City of Washington, D.C., and Prescribing his Duties.

Be it Enacted by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation Assembled :

SECTION 1. That the office of Delegate to the City of Washington, D. C., be and the same is hereby created and established, and the Principal Chief is hereby authorized to appoint, with the advice and consent of the Senate, some competent person as delegate to Washington, City, D. C., whose duty it shall be to represent the Choctaw Nation before the departments at Washington, or before any committees of congress wherein the affairs of the Choctaw Nation are concerned; to furnish said departments or committees with any and all such information pertaining to the affairs of said Nation, and looking to the bests interests thereof, and shall keep the Principal Chief thoroughly advised as to all matters coming under his charge and supervision, and shall make an annual report in writing of all his actions to the General Council.

SEC. 2. *Be it further Enacted:* That said delegate shall be a Choctaw by blood, and his term of office shall be for a period of two years, unless sooner removed for good cause; and he shall be required to remain constantly in Washington, D. C., unless otherwise directed by the Principal Chief.

SEC. 3. *Be it further Enacted:* That the salary of said delegate shall be twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2,500) per annum, and one thousand dollars (\$1,000) for expenses per annum, payable quarterly; and he shall be required to present his itemized account with his annual report to the General Council.

SEC. 4. *Be it further Enacted:* That the National Auditor shall issue his warrant upon the National Treasurer for said salary, and the National Treasurer shall pay the same. And this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved October 19, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

Executive Mansion, Washington, D. C., Dec. 22, 1899.

Approved:

WILLIAM MCKINLEY.

BILL No. 9.

A RESOLUTION of Adjournment.

Be it Resolved by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

That this present session of General Council do adjourn on Wednesday, November 1, 1899, at 11:30 o'clock a. m. And this resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved October 23, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL NO 10.

[This measure had not been acted upon by the President at the time of publication hereof.]

BILL No. 11.

AN ACT Changing Election Precincts in Nashoba County.
*Be it Enacted by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation
assembled:*

SECTION 1. That the election precinct heretofore known as Ahkchi Precinct, is hereby changed and removed to Kulli Kosoma in said county, to be called and known hereafter as Kulli Kosoma Precinct. And the election precinct heretofore known as Battiest Precinct is hereby changed and removed to Mt. Zion in said county, to be called and known hereafter as Mt. Zion Precinct. That the first election held at said Kulli Kosoma, and Mt. Zion precincts, shall be on the first Wednesday in August 1900, and thereafter.

SEC. 2. That all acts or parts of acts conflicting with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed, etc.

SEC. 3. That this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved October 25, 1899

GREEN McCURTAIN,

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL No. 12.

Granting Jackson Burns the Right to Establish a
Ferry on Sans Bois River.

Whereas, In the year 1889 a charter was granted to one Lewis Lucas of Sans Bois county, Choctaw Nation, to establish a ferry on Sans Bois river at Iron Bridge; and

Whereas, The time allowed by said charter has expired; therefore

Be it Enacted by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

SECTION 1. That Jackson Burns is hereby granted the right and privilege to establish and maintain a ferry on the Sans Bois river, at the place known as Iron Bridge, in Sans Bois county.

SEC. 2. *Be it further Enacted:* That said Jackson Burns shall keep the approaches on either side to said ferry in good repair, and shall keep the ferry boat in a good and safe condition, and in consideration for which he shall be allowed to charge and collect toll of all persons crossing on said ferry as follows, to-wit: For four-wheeled vehicles, drawn by four horses, mules, or cattle, fifty cents; for four-wheeled vehicle, drawn by two horses, mules, or oxen, twenty-five cents; for man and horse, ten cents; for each footman five cents; for drove of cattle, horses, hogs, sheep, or goats, one cent per head.

SEC. 3. *Be it further Enacted:* That the rights herein granted shall continue for a period of six years from the passage hereof. And all acts or parts of acts conflicting with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed; and this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved October 25, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

Executive Mansion, Washington, D. C., Dec. 8, 1899.

WILLIAM MCKINLEY.

BILL No 13.

AN ACT Authorizing the Appointment of a Commission to Negotiate with a like Commission from the Chickasaw Nation.

Be it Enacted by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled :

SECTION 1. That the Principal Chief is hereby empowered and authorized to appoint a commission of three competent persons, Choctaws by blood, to meet a commission from the Chickasaw Nation for the purpose of making a final and satisfactory settlement relative to the payment of all or any royalties that may be due from one Nation to the other and to arrive at and perfect an agreement securing to said Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations their joint co-operation against the land claim of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway Company within said nations.

SEC. 2 *Be it further Enacted :* That said commission shall be required to make a written report to the Principal Chief of the actions of the joint commissions, relative to the royalties, to be by him submitted to the next succeeding session of the general council for final action thereon.

SEC. 4. *Be it further Enacted :* That the Principal Chief is hereby authorized to take such steps and to adopt such measures necessary in his judgment to carry into effect the recommendations and agreements of said commission in regard to the land claims of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway Company.

SEC. 3. *Be it further Enacted :* That should the Chickasaws fail or refuse to appoint a commission, as

above provided, the commission on the part of the Choctaw Nation shall act independent of said Nation in the matter of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway Company's land claim; and the Principal Chief shall be authorized to act upon the recommendation of said commission without the co-operation of the Chickasaw Nation.

SEC. 5. *Be it further Enacted:* That said commissioners, appointed as herein provided, shall receive the sum of five dollars per day and ten cents per mile, while in actual service; and submit the same to the Principal Chief, upon whose certificate the National Auditor shall issue his warrant on the National Treasurer, and the Treasurer shall pay the same. And this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved October 25, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

Executive Mansion, Washington, D. C., Dec. 22, 1899.

Approved:

WILLIAM MCKINLEY.

BILL No. 14.

AN ACT Entitled An Act Removing the Circuit Court, Pushmataha District, Choctaw Nation, to Mayhew, in Jackson County.

Be it Enacted by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

SECTION 1. That the Circuit Court of Pushmataha District be and the same is hereby removed from its

present site in Jackson County to a point called Mayhew, in the aforesaid county and district; and the same shall be called and known as "Pushmataha Circuit Court Ground," and the February term of 1900, and all regular and specified terms thereafter shall be held at Mayhew.

SEC. 2. *Be it further Enacted:* That all acts or parts of acts coming in any manner in conflict with the provisions of this act, be and the same are hereby repealed. And this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved October 25, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,
Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL No. 15.

AN ACT Authorising the Foreman of the Grand Jury to Administer Oaths.

Be it Enacted by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

That the Foreman of the Grand Jury is hereby empowered and authorized to administer oaths to all witnesses coming before that body. And this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved this 26th day of October, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,
Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL No. 16.

A REPORT of the Committee on Finance Regarding Tandy K. Walker, Collector on the Kansas City, Pittsburg & Gulf Railroad.

We, your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the matter of Tandy K. Walker, Inspector on the Kansas City, Pittsburg & Gulf Railroad, beg leave to report that the said Tandy K. Walker has failed to submit to your committee a report of his collection of moneys on said railroad, or to submit any report of whatever nature to your committee; that your committee has sent to said Tandy K. Walker requesting a report of his actions and collection for the years 1898 and 1899, and failed to appear before your committee at this session of council; Wherefore, your committee recommend the passage of the following:

RESOLUTION.

Be it Resolved by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

That the Principal Chief be and he is hereby instructed and required to make demand of the said Tandy K. Walker, Inspector on the Kansas City, Pittsburg & Gulf Railroad, for an accounting to the Choctaw Nation of all moneys collected by him as said inspector for the said Nation, and that said accounting, if made during the vacation of the General Council, shall be submitted to the Principal Chief to be by him submitted to the General Council at its next meeting.

Be it further Resolved: That should the said Tandy K. Walker fail or refuse after ten days notice hereof to

submit his report or make an accounting as herein provided, or should said report or accounting when submitted show a deficit in the amount collected, the Principal Chief after a reasonable time for making good said deficit, is authorized and required to report the matter to the United States Court authorities, to be dealt with according to the laws thereof. And this resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved October 25, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL No. 17.

AN ACT Fixing the Salary of the Trustee Under the Atoka Agreement.

Be it Enacted by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation Assembled :

SECTION 1. That the salary of the Coal Trustee for the Choctaw Nation, appointed by the President of the United States on the recommendation of the Principal Chief of the Choctaw Nation, as provided for in the agreement entered into at Atoka, Indian Territory, April 23, 1897, is hereby fixed at four thousand dollars (\$4,000) per annum, payable quarterly out of the National Treasury, upon the warrant of the National Auditor.

SEC. 2. *Be it further Enacted:* That said Trustee shall not be allowed any contingent fund or necessary

traveling expense, or any other expenses incidental to the discharge of his duties, out of the National Treasury of the Choctaw Nation. And said sum of four thousand dollars (\$4,000) shall be in full of all demands payable out of the Treasury of the Choctaw Nation.

Approved October, 25, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

Executive Mansion, Washington D. C., December 8, 1899.

Approved:

WILLIAM MCKINLEY.

BILL No. 18.

AN ACT Regarding the Report of E. R. Cheadle, Special Commissioner.

We, your committee to whom was referred the report of Hon. E. R. Cheadle, Special Commissioner, appointed by the Principal Chief to enter into an agreement jointly with the Chickasaw Commissioners, with the Dawes Commission, fixing the date and limiting the enrollment of inter-married and new-born citizens of the Choctaw Nation, beg leave to report that we have examined the same and find that the said E. R. Cheadle has incurred as expenses in the discharge of his duties as said commissioner, the sum of fifteen dollars, and that he was engaged upon said duties for a period of five days; we would therefore respectfully recommend the passage of the following Act:

Be it Enacted by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

That the sum of forty dollars (\$40.00) be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the National Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, to pay the same, and the National Auditor shall issue his warrant upon the National Treasurer for said sum, and the National Treasurer shall pay the same. And this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved October 26, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL No. 19.

AN ACT Authorizing the National Treasurer to Borrow Money.

Be it Enacted by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

SECTION 1. That the National Treasurer is hereby authorized to borrow ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) to pay off the expenses of the present session of General Council.

SEC. 2. *Be it further Enacted:* That the Treasurer shall pay this amount out of the first money coming to him at the February payment of interest on our invest-

ed funds. And this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage

Approved October 26, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL NO 20.

RESOLUTION Accepting the Report of Dr. Miller, District Collector for the Third District, Choctaw Nation.

We, your committee, to whom was referred the report of Dr. Miller, District Collector for the Third District, Choctaw Nation, after a careful examination of the same, find it to be true and correct, and respectfully ask the adoption of the following resolution:

Be it Resolved by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

That the report of Dr. Miller, District Collector for the Third District, Choctaw Nation, be and the same is hereby accepted as true and correct. And that this resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved October 26, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL No. 21.

A RESOLUTION Accepting the Report of W. G. Kayser, Inspector and Collector on the Frisco Railroad, and a Portion of Kansas City, Pittsburg & Gulf Railroad, Choctaw Nation.

We, your committee, to whom was referred the report of W. G. Kayser, Inspector and Collector on the Frisco Railroad, Choctaw Nation, and a portion on the Kansas City, Pittsburg & Gulf Railroad, from Thomasville north, after a careful examination of the same, find it to be true and correct; and respectfully ask the adoption of the following resolution :

Be it resolved by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

That the report of W. G. Kayser, Inspector and Collector on the Frisco Railroad, Choctaw Nation, and a portion on the Kansas City, Pittsburg & Gulf Railroad from Thomasville north, be and the same is hereby accepted as true and correct. And this resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved October 26, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN.

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL No. 22.

AN ACT Repealing the Resolution Accepting the Report of W. G. Kayser.

Be it Enacted by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation Assembled :

That the resolution accepting the report of W. G.

Kayser, which was approved at the present session of Council, be and the same is hereby repealed, and the report of said W. G. Kayser to be referred back to the Finance Committee for a thorough investigation. And this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved this the 27th day of October, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,
Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL No 23.

A RESOLUTION Accepting Report of Thomas W. Hunter,
Superintendent of Armstrong Academy.

We, your committee, to whom was referred the report of Thomas W. Hunter, Superintendent of Armstrong Academy, have carefully examined the same, and find it to be true and correct; therefore, we ask the adoption of the following resolution, to-wit:
Be it Resolved by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

That the report of the aforesaid superintendent be accepted as being true and correct. And this resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved October 27, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,
Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL No. 24

AN ACT to Reimburse D. C. McCurtain.

Be it Enacted by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled.

SECTION 1 That the sum of sixty-five dollars and twenty-five cents. (*65.25), be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to reimburse D. C. McCurtain for expenses incurred and services rendered as Commissioner to the Chickasaw Nation for the purpose of arranging for a commission to meet a commission of the Choctaw Nation.

SEC. 2. *Be it further Enacted:* That the National Auditor shall issue his warrant to the said D. C. McCurtain for said amount, and the National Treasurer shall pay the same. And this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval

Approved October 30, 1899.

GREEN MCCURTAIN,

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

Executive Mansion, Washington, D. C., Dec. 8, 1899.

Approved:

WILLIAM MCKINLEY.

 BILL No. 25

AN ACT for the Relief of Henry Willis.

Whereas, your committee having under investigation the report of Henry Willis, Superintendent of Tuskalooosa Academy, found that the aforesaid superintendent had exceeded the appropriations allowed him

in the sum of three hundred and seventy-one dollars and twenty-seven cents (\$371.27), by reason of discounts and interests, therefore,

Be it Enacted by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

SECTION 1. That the sum of three hundred and seventy-one dollars and twenty-seven cents (\$371.27) be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the relief of Henry Willis.

SEC. 2. *Be it further Enacted:* That the National Auditor is hereby authorized and instructed to issue his warrant on the Treasurer for said amount, and the Treasurer shall pay the same. And this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved October 30th, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

Executive Mansion, Washington, D. C., Dec, 8, 1899.

Approved:

WILLIAM MCKINLEY.

BILL No. 26.

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION for Repairs to the Capitol Building.

Be it Enacted by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation Assembled:

That the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200) be and the same is hereby appropriated to pay Tuck Holman

for painting roof, and door facing, base boards, banisters, and painting pencil marks out of the plastering, putting on new plastering where the old had fallen off, putting on two water spouts on the outside, and painting up the corners of the Capitol building where it has washed out, and stop all leaks in roof and repair gutters.

SEC. 2. *Be it further Enacted:* That after the completion of said work, the Principal Chief shall issue his certificate upon the National Auditor for said sum, and the National auditor shall issue his warrant for the sum, on the National Treasurer, and the National Treasurer shall pay the same.

SEC. 3. *Be it further Enacted:* That this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved November 1st, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL No. 27.

A RESOLUTION accepting the Report of J. E. Harris, Collector for the Second Judicial District, Choctaw Nation.

We, your committee, to whom the report of J. E. Harris is referred, find said report to be true and correct, after a careful and thorough examination; therefore, we recommend the following resolution:

Be it Resolved by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

That the report of J. E. Harris, Collector for the Second Judicial District, Choctaw Nation, be and the same is hereby accepted as true and correct. And this resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved October 30, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,
Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL No. 28.

A RESOLUTION Accepting the Report of Henry L. Sanguin, Inspector on the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway.

We, your committee, to whom was referred the report of Henry L. Sanguin, Inspector on the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway, beg leave to state that we have carefully examined the report of said inspector, and find it to be true and correct; therefore, we respectfully ask the adoption of the following report, to-wit:

Be it Resolved by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

That the report of said collector be and the same is hereby accepted as true and correct. And this resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved October 30, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,
Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL No. 29.

A RESOLUTION Accepting Report of E. H. Wilson, Ex-Superintendent of Wheelock Seminary.

We, your committee, to whom was referred the report of E. H. Wilson, ex-Superintendent of Wheelock Seminary, have carefully examined the same, and find it to be true and correct; therefore, we ask the adoption of the following resolution, to-wit:

Be it Resolved by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

That the report of the aforesaid ex-superintendent be accepted as true and correct. And this resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved this 30th day of October, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL No. 30.

AN ACT Converting County Funds Into a National Fund.

Be it Enacted by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation Assembled:

SECTION 1. That the County Treasurers of the several counties in the Choctaw Nation are hereby authorized and directed to turn over to the National Treasury all moneys in their respective county treasur-

ies, over and above five hundred dollars, (\$500.00), that may be in any county treasury at the end of each quarter.

SEC. 2. *Be it further Enacted:* That the County Treasurer of each county is hereby required to make an annual report to the Principal Chief, and by him submit to the General Council on the 30th day of September of each year all moneys turned over to the National Treasury; said report to be certified to by the County Judge.

SEC. 3. *Be it further Enacted:* That this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved October 30, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,
Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL No. 31.

A RESOLUTION Accepting Report of Henry Willis, Superintendent of Tushkaloosa Academy.

We, your committee to whom was referred the report of Henry Willis, Superintendent of Tushkaloosa academy, have carefully examined the same and find it to be true and correct; therefore, we ask the adoption of the following resolution, to-wit:

Be it resolved by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

That the report of the aforesaid superintendent be and the same is hereby accepted as being true and cor-

rect. And this resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved October, 30, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,
Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL No. 32.

A RESOLUTION Accepting Report of C. J. Anderson, Trustee, Second District, Choctaw Nation.

We, your committee, to whom was referred the report of C. J. Anderson, Trustee of Schools for the Second District, Choctaw Nation, have carefully examined the same, and find it to be true and correct, with a balance unexpended amounting to \$963.85, and ask the adoption of the following resolution, to-wit :

Be it Resolved by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled :

That the report of C. J. Anderson, trustee as aforesaid, be and is hereby accepted as being true and correct. And that this resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved October 30, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,
Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL No. 33.

AN ACT to Reimburse H. P. Ward and T. W. Hunter.
Be it Enacted by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled :

SECTION 1. That the sum of eighteen dollars and ten cents (\$18.10) be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated to reimburse H. P. Ward and T. W. Hunter, for expenses incurred by them on their mission to the Jones Academy for the purpose of investigating the condition of the school.

SEC. 2. *Be it further Enacted:* That the National Auditor is hereby authorized to issue his warrant for the said sum on the National Treasurer, and the Treasurer shall pay the same to H. P. Ward and T. W. Hunter. And this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved October 30, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

Executive Mansion, Washington, D. C., Dec. 8, 1899.

Approved:

WILLIAM MCKINLEY.

BILL No 34.

A RESOLUTION Accepting Report of Amos Henry, Trustee, First District, Choctaw Nation.

We, your committee, to whom was referred the report of Amos Henry, Trustee of Schools for the First District, Choctaw Nation, have carefully examined the same, and find it to be true and correct, with a balance of \$734.55 unexpended; therefore, your committee most

respectfully ask the adoption of the following resolution:
*Be it Resolved by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation
 assembled:*

That the report of the aforesaid trustee be and the same is hereby accepted as being true and correct. And this resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved October, 30, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,
Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL No. 35.

A RESOLUTION Accepting Report of Peter J. Hudson,
 Superintendent of Tushkahoma Institute.

We, your committee to whom was referred the report of Peter J. Hudson, Superintendent of Tushkahoma Institute, have carefully examined the same, and find it to be true and correct; therefore, we ask the adoption of the following resolution, to-wit:

*Be it Resolved by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation
 assembled:*

That the report of the aforesaid superintendent be and the same is hereby accepted as being true and correct. And this resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved October 30, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,
Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL No 36

A RESOLUTION Authorizing the Principal Chief to Send for Robert Benton.

Be it Resolved by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

SECTION 1. That the Principal Chief is hereby authorized and empowered to send for Robert Benton, and have him appear before the Finance Committee immediately, and to bring all books, records, certificates and receipts that he may have in his possession in regard to all matters pertaining to his business as Captain of the Militia, in the late insurrection, and make a report of the same.

SEC 2. *Be it further Resolved:* That this resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved October 30, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN.

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL NO 37.

A RESOLUTION Accepting Report of S. B. Spring, Trustee, Third District.

We, your committee, to whom was referred the report of S. B. Spring, Trustee of Schools for the Third District, Choctaw Nation, have carefully examined the same, and find it true and correct, with a balance unexpended amounting to \$1,197 75, and ask the adoption of the following resolution, to-wit:
Be it Resolved by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

That the report of S. B. Spring, trustee as aforesaid,

BILL No. 29.

be and is hereby accepted as being true and correct. And that this resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved October 30, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

 BILL No. 38.

AN ACT Appropriating Money for the Removal of Intruders.

Be it Enacted by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

SECTION 1. That the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of removing intruders without the limits of the Choctaw Nation.

SEC. 2 *Be it further Enacted:* That upon the certificate of the Principal Chief, the National Auditor shall issue his warrant for said amount, or so much thereof as may be necessary, upon the National Treasurer, and he shall pay the same. And this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved October 30, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

Executive Mansion, Washington, D. C., Dec. 8, 1899.

Approved:

WILLIAM MCKINLEY.

BILL No. 39.

AN ACT for Relief of George W. Bell.

Be it Enacted by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

SECTION 1. That the sum of eight dollars is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated to pay George W. Bell for eight cords of wood, cut and delivered at the Capitol, at the rate of \$1.00 per cord.

SEC. 2. *Be it further Enacted:* That the National Auditor shall issue his warrant on the National Treasury for the same, and the National Treasurer shall pay the said amount. And this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved October 30, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN.

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL No. 40.

AN ACT for the Relief of Peter Hudson.

Whereas, It appears after examining the report of Peter Hudson, ex-Superintendent of the Tushkahoma Seminary, the committee find that said Peter Hudson had to expend the sum of two hundred and eighty-three dollars and ninety-seven cents, (\$283.97), on account of the scarcity of ready money to meet the demands of the school; therefore,

Be it Enacted by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

SECTION 1. That the sum of two hundred and eighty-

three dollars and ninety-seven cents, (\$283.97), be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any school fund in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the relief of Peter Hudson.

SEC. 2. *Be it further Enacted:* That the National Auditor is hereby authorized and instructed to issue his warrant on the Treasurer for said amount, and the Treasurer shall pay the same. And this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved October 30, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN.

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

Executive Mansion, Washington D. C., December 8, 1899.

Approved:

WILLIAM MCKINLEY.

BILL No. 41.

AN ACT Appropriating Money to Defray the Expenses of Three Commissioners.

Be it Enacted by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

SECTION 1. That the sum of three hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated to defray the expenses of a commission of three Choctaws by blood, who were appointed by the Principal Chief, to confer with a like Chickasaw commission.

SEC. 2. *Be it further Enacted:* That the National Auditor shall issue his warrant on the National Treas-

urer for said amount, or so much thereof as necessary to defray the expenses of said commissioners. And this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved this the 30th day of October, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

Executive Mansion, Washington, D. C., Dec. 8, 1899.

Approved:

WILLIAM MCKINLEY.

BILL No. 42.

AN ACT to Reimburse T. W. Hunter.

Whereas, It appears after examining the report of Thomas W. Hunter, Superintendent Armstrong Orphan Home, the committee find that said Thomas W. Hunter had to expend the sum of two hundred and fifty-two dollars and twenty cents on account of the scarcity of ready money to meet the demands of the school, therefore,

Be it Enacted by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

SECTION 1. That the sum of two hundred and fifty-two dollars and twenty cents (\$252.20) be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any school fund in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the relief of Thomas W. Hunter.

SEC. 2. *Be it further Enacted:* That the National Auditor is hereby authorized and instructed to issue his

warrant on the Treasurer for said amount and the Treasurer shall pay the same. And this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved October 30, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

Executive Mansion, Washington, D. C., Dec. 8, 1899.

Approved:

WILLIAM MCKINLEY.

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BILL No. 43.

AN ACT for the Relief of George W. Bell.

Be it Enacted by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

SECTION 1. That the sum of twenty-four dollars and seventy cents (\$24.70) is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, to reimburse George W. Bell for repairs to the capitol building.

SEC. 2. *Be it further Enacted:* That the National Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to issue his warrant in favor of George W. Bell for said amount on the National Treasurer, and he shall pay the same. And this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved October 31, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

Executive Mansion, Washington, D. C., Dec. 8, 1899.

Approved:

WILLIAM MCKINLEY.

BILL No 44.

A RESOLUTION Authorizing the National Auditor to Duplicate a Certain Warrant

Whereas, A National Warrant, numbered 183, was issued by the National Auditor on the 31st day of October 1898, to J. W. Everidge, Superintendent of Public Instruction, for Wm. LeFlore, in college; said warrant having been issued in accordance with an act approved the 29th day of October 1898, and the aforesaid warrant having been destroyed by an accidental fire at Muskogee; therefore,

Be it Resolved by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

SECTION 1. That the National Auditor is hereby authorized and instructed to issue a duplicate warrant, No. 183, in favor of the aforesaid Superintendent of Public Instruction, and the said Superintendent of Public Instruction is hereby directed to turn the same over to William Le Flore, of Jackson County, Choctaw Nation.

SEC. 2. *Be it further Resolved:* That this resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved October, 31, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL No 45.

A RESOLUTION Accepting the Report of Smedley Forrest, District Collector for the First District Choctaw Nation.

We, your committee to whom the report of Smedley Forrest was referred, after carefully examining the same find that he has fully accounted to the Treasurer for all sums of money that he collected; therefore, we respectfully ask the adoption of the following resolution:

Be it resolved by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

SECTION 1. That the report of Smedley Forrest be and the same is hereby declared true and correct. And that this resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved October 31, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,
Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL No. 46.

AN ACT in Reference to District Collector.

Be it Enacted by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

SECTION 1. That the District Collectors of the Choctaw Nation are hereby required to file with their quarterly report verified statements of all parties from whomsoever they may collect royalty.

SEC. 2. *Be it further Enacted:* That it shall be the duty of the District Collectors to report quarterly to the Principal Chief all the non-citizens in their respective districts who are doing business without a license or permit for themselves or their employes.

SEC. 3. *Be it further Enacted:* That the District Collectors failing to comply with any of provisions of this act shall be subject to immediate removal.

SEC. 4. *Be it further Enacted:* That this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved October 31, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,
Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL No. 47.

AN ACT Accepting the Agreement Submitted by the Special Commissioners.

Be it Enacted by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

That the agreement made and entered into by E. R. Cheadle, Special Commissioner, on the part of the Choctaws, jointly with the Chickasaw Commissioners and the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at South McAlester, Indian Territory, on the 5th day of September 1899, wherein the time of enrollment of new-born and inter-married citizens of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations, also the Freedmen of the two nations and their decendants, was fixed and limited, be and the same

is hereby accepted by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation. And this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved October 31, 1899.

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GREEN McCURTAIN,
Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL NO 48.

AN ACT for the Relief of Ellis Whistler.

Be it Enacted by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

SECTION 1. That the sum of one hundred and sixty-eight dollars and ninety-five cents is hereby appropriated out of any money in the National Treasury not otherwise appropriated to pay Ellis Whistler for four militia certificates in his possession, and issued by Robert Benton, Captain of Militia, First District Choctaw Nation, numbered as follows: Nos. 45, 38, 36, 29; and dated in 1893; and that the National Auditor is hereby authorized to issue his warrant on the National Treasurer for said amount. And this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved October 31, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,
Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

Executive Mansion, Washington, D. C., Dec. 8, 1899.

Approved:

WILLIAM McKINLEY.

BILL No. 49.

A MEMORIAL to the Congress of the United States.

Whereas, By virtue of the terms of the late Atoka Agreement the royalties arising from the sale of coal and the management of the coal interests in the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations were given over to the representatives of the United States Government for the use and benefit of the schools of the said Nations; and

Whereas, If the mines could be properly worked, without hindrance, the funds arising therefrom would be sufficient for all expenses aforesaid; and

Whereas, A strike has been in progress for the last eight months, and while the operators of the said mines have been diligent in the employment of miners and laborers, but are hindered by agitators who are already present around the mines, pushing the interest of the Union of the Mine Workers, dissuading the new miners from their work, and as a consequence the output of coal has been, by reason of said hindrance, by these agitators, become greatly decreased, and the royalties arising therefrom has decreased in proportion; and

Whereas, The sympathizers and agitators aforesaid are not subject to the control of this Nation, being non-citizens, and in some instances officials of the municipal government of an incorporation, and it is absolutely impossible for our officials reach them; therefore,

Be it Resolved by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

That the Congress of the United States is hereby memorialized to require the officials of the proper de-

partments to take such steps as may be necessary to remove said sympathizers and agitators so hindering the proper operation of the mines in the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations, beyond the limits of the said nations, to the end that said nations may receive the proper royalties to be used for the purpose, aforesaid. And that this resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved October 31, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,
Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL, No. 50.

AN ACT Appropriating Money as Salary for Delegate to Washington, D. C.

Be it Enacted by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

SECTION 1. That the sum of three thousand five hundred dollars (\$3,500) is hereby appropriated out of any money in the National treasury not otherwise appropriated to pay the salary and expenses of a Delegate to Washington, payable upon the certificate of the Principal Chief, and the National Auditor shall issue his warrant upon the Treasurer and he shall pay the same. And this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved October 31, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,
Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

Executive Mansion, Washington, D. C., Dec. 22, 1899.

Approved: WILLIAM MCKINLEY.

BILL No. 51.

AN ACT for the Relief of J. B. Jetter.

Whereas, Upon investigation having been thoroughly made of the report of J. B. Jetter, Superintendent of Spencer Academy, we find that he has suffered a personal loss of seven hundred and sixty five dollars and twenty-five cents, (\$765.25,) by reason of discounts and interests; therefore we ask the passage of the following act, to-wit:

Be it Enacted by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

SECTION 1. That the sum of seven hundred and sixty-five dollars and twenty-five cents (\$765.25) be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the relief of J. B. Jetter.

SEC. 2. *Be it further Enacted:* That the National Auditor is hereby authorized and instructed to issue his warrant on the Treasurer for said amount and the Treasurer shall pay the same. And this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved October 31, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

Executive Mansion, Washington, D. C., Dec. 8, 1899.

Approved:

WILLIAM MCKINLEY.

BILL NO 52

AN ACT to Defray the Expenses of the Board of Health.

Be it Enacted by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled .

SECTION 1. That the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated to defray the expenses of the Board of Health in taking such means and measures necessary to prevent the spread of, and to stamp out the disease of smallpox now existing within the limits of the Choctaw Nation, provided said Board of Health shall at all times be under the supervision of the Principal Chief

SEC 2. *Be it further Enacted:* That said sum of money shall be an available fund which shall be paid out upon the direction of the Principal Chief for the purpose hereinbefore mentioned

SEC 3 *Be it further Enacted:* That the National Auditor shall issue his warrant in behalf of said Board of Health, upon the certificate of the Principal Chief, and the Treasurer shall pay the same. And this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved October, 31, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

Executive Mansion, Washington D. C., December 8, 1899

Approved:

WILLIAM McKINLEY

BILL No. 53.

AN ACT Appropriating Money for Repairs and Improvements at Armstrong Orphan Academy.

Be it Enacted by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled :

SECTION 1. That the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, subject to the order of the Superintendent of Armstrong Orphan Academy, for the purpose of making additions and repairs at said academy, such as are necessary to the comfort and convenience of the pupils thereof, and that said superintendent shall make a verified report of the expenditures of this money, the same to be filed with his annual report to the General Council.

SEC. 2. *Be it further Enacted:* That the National Auditor is hereby authorized and instructed to issue his warrant on the Treasurer for said amount, and the Treasurer shall pay the same. And this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved October 31, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

Executive Mansion, Washington, D. C., Jan. 6, 1900.

Approved:

WILLIAM MCKINLEY.

BILL No 54.

A MEMORIAL to the Congress of the United States.

Your memorialists, the General Council of the Choctaw Nation, in regular session assembled, would respectfully represent unto your honorable body that the recommendations of the United States Indian Inspector for the Indian Territory, recently made to the Honorable Secretary of the Interior, if adopted as a basis of legislation, would in effect be to abrogate the Dawes-Choctaw-Chickasaw Agreement. (Sec. 29 of the act of Congress, approved June 28, 1898).

That a reorganization of the tax and school systems of the Five Civilized Tribes, looking to a uniformity of these systems as contemplated in said recommendations would destroy many of the provisions of said agreement that are of the utmost importance to Choctaw and Chickasaw tribes, and would cause confusion and perplexity from which they could not emerge within the time allowed and considered necessary for the continuance of the tribal governments.

It would be a wrong against modest pride to wrest from the Choctaws and Chickasaws their schools, their highest edifice. Our present school system is the work many years of earnest effort and steady improvement; and to take from us an institution cherished in its growth to close attachment, would be at least unfair. Our system of management of the schools has proved satisfactory, as is attested by results. We would ask in fairness to ourselves that our representations be given a place in your consideration of the Inspector's recommendations.

That we submit our claims to be entitled to consideration by reason of the agreement made with your government and ratified by legislative act of your honorable body. We do not deny the propriety of uniformity of system, so far as it is consistent with the terms and provisions of said agreement; therefore

Be it Resolved by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

We most respectfully ask that your honorable body in its consideration of the recommendations of the United States Indian Inspector for the Indian Territory have due regard for the claims of the Choctaws and and Chickasaws, as clearly set forth and expressed in Section 29 of the Act of Congress approved June 28, 1898; and should uniformity of system of government for the Five Civilized Tribes be deemed necessary, that the same be made to conform to that set forth in Section 29 of the said Act of Congress, or as nearly thereto as possible.

Approved October 31, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,
Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL No. 55.

AN ACT for the Relief of the American Book Company.

Whereas, having carefully examined the account of the American Book Company against the Choctaw Nation we find the aforesaid account to be true and cor-

rect; therefore we respectfully ask the passage of the following act, to-wit :

Be it Enacted by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled :

SECTION 1. That the sum of five hundred and eighty-four dollars (\$584.00) be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated to pay off the account of the American Book Company.

SEC. 2. *Be it further Enacted:* That the National Auditor is hereby authorized and instructed to issue his warrant on the Treasurer for said amount, and the Treasurer shall pay same. And this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved October 31, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN.

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

Executive Mansion, Washington D. C., December 8, 1899.

Approved:

WILLIAM MCKINLEY.

BILL No. 56.

AN ACT Authorizing the Townsite Commissioner of the Choctaw Nation to Survey, Plat, Appraise and Sell the Land Lying Between the City of Ft. Smith, Arkansas, and the Arkansas and Poteau Rivers, and Extending Up Said Rivers to the Mouth of Mill Creek.

Be it Enacted by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled :

That the Townsite Commissioner of the Choctaw Nation is hereby authorized and directed to survey,

plat, appraise and sell the strip of land lying between the city of Ft. Smith, Arkansas, and the Arkansas and Poteau rivers, extending up said rivers to the mouth of Mill Creek, said land having been reserved from allotment by the Act of Congress of June 28, 1898.

Be it further Enacted: That said Townsite Commissioner shall be governed by the Act of Congress of June 28, 1898, in surveying, platting, appraising and selling said land, and the money arising from the sale of said land shall be placed in the treasury of the United States, the same as money derived from the sale of townsites. And this act shall take effect from and after its passage.

Approved November 1, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,
Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL No. 57.

A RESOLUTION Accepting Report of J. T. Ainsworth, Inspector on the Choctaw, Oklahoma and Gulf Railway.

Your committee to whom was submitted the report of J. L. Ainsworth, after careful examination of the same, find that he collected from first, second and third quarters of 1898 the sum of \$1,318.28, and fully accounted to the treasurer for the same; therefore we recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Be it Resolved by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

That the report of J. T. Ainsworth, Inspector as

aforesaid, be and the same is hereby declared accepted as true and correct. And this resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved October, 31, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,
Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL No. 58.

AN ACT for the Relief of Thomas W. Hunter.

Whereas, We, your committee, having thoroughly investigated the claim of Thomas W. Hunter, find that he has suffered a personal loss of \$405.99, by reason of discounts and interest, therefore, we respectfully ask the passage of the following act, to-wit:

Be it Enacted by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

SECTION 1. That the sum of four hundred and five dollars and ninety-nine cents (\$405.99) be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the treasury not wise appropriated, for the relief of Thomas W. Hunter.

SEC. 2. *Be it further Enacted:* That the National Auditor is hereby authorized and instructed to issue his warrant on the Treasurer for said amount and the Treasurer shall pay the same. And this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved October 31, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,
Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

Executive Mansion, Washington, D. C., Dec. 8, 1899.

Approved:

WILLIAM MCKINLEY.

BILL No. 59.

A RESOLUTION Accepting Report of J. B. Jetter.

We, your committee, to whom was referred the report of J. B. Jetter, Superintendent of Spencer Academy, have carefully examined the same, and find it to be true and correct, therefore, we ask the adoption of the following resolution, to-wit:

Be it Resolved by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

That the report of the aforesaid superintendent be and the same is hereby accepted as being true and correct. And this resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved October 31, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,
Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL No. 60.

A RESOLUTION Accepting Report of T. E. Sanguin.

We, your committee, to whom was referred the report of T. E. Sanguin, National Treasurer, after carefully examing same, find it to be correct, and respectfully ask the adoption of the following resolution:

Be it Resolved by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

That the report of T. E. Sanguin, National Treasurer, be and the same is hereby declared to be true and cor-

rect. And this resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved October 31, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,
Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL No. 61.

A RESOLUTION Accepting the Report of W. G. Kayser.

We, your committee, to whom was referred the report of W. G. Kayser, Inspector and Collector of the St. Louis & San Francisco Railroad in the Choctaw Nation, and on the Kansas City, Pittsburg & Gulf Railroad, from Thomasville, Indian Territory, north, in full up to the present time, embracing all royalties collected by him from the 1st of July 1898, up to the 30th day of September, 1899, after a careful examination of the same, find it to be true and correct; therefore

Be it Resolved by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

That the report of W. G. Kayser, Inspector as aforesaid, is hereby declared and accepted as true and correct. And this resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved the 31st day of October, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,
Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL No. 62.

A RESOLUTION for Protection Against the Spread of Smallpox Among the Non-Citizen Element.

Whereas, An epidemic of smallpox is prevalent

throughout the Choctaw Nation; and

Whereas, The infection is greater among the non-citizen element than among the citizens of the Choctaw Nation by reason of the greater population of non-citizens; and

Whereas, provision for the care and protection of Choctaw citizens in the epidemic now prevailing has been made by the authorities of this Nation; therefore Be it Resolved by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

That demand be and the same is hereby made on the Interior Department to provide means for the proper care and protection of the United States citizens aforesaid within the limits of the Choctaw Nation against the aforesaid epidemic; and demand is further made that the Interior Department, by ruling or otherwise, require the coal and mining companies operating within the limits of this Nation to afford proper relief and protection to those under their employ. That this resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved October 31, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,
Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation

BILL No. 63.

A RESOLUTION Authorizing the Principal Chief to demand of the United States a Certain Amount of

Interest Accrued on School Funds.

Be it Resolved by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled :

SECTION 1. That the Principal Chief be and he is hereby authorized and directed to make demand upon the proper authorities of the United States for the payment of the sum of two thousand four hundred and seventy-three dollars and sixty-three cents, (\$2,473.63), the amount of interest accumulated of the Choctaw school fund on deposit with the United States Government and belonging to the Choctaw Nation; the same to be paid into the National Treasury of the Choctaw Nation.

SEC. 2. *Be it further Resolved:* That this resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved October 31, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL No. 64.

AN ACT in Reference to Pay of Witnesses.

Be it Enacted by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled :

SECTION 1. All witnesses who are subpoenaed by the proper authority of the several courts in this Nation shall make their appearance according to the subpoenas served on them and forthwith go to the clerks of their respective courts and register their names and mileage.

and also which cases they are witnesses in, and whether for or against the Nation: and all witnesses summoned to attend court shall be allowed five cents per mile each way, going to and returning from court, and one dollar and fifty cents per day while attending court, until discharged, to be paid out of the National Treasury on the certificate of the judges of the courts and attested by the clerks, with the seals of the courts attached; provided that in no case the cost in a civil suit between individuals is to be paid out of the National Treasury; and, provided further, that no officer, prisoner or other person whose business takes him or her to court without a summons, or who happens to be present, not having been summoned, shall be allowed the above per diem for simply testifying in a case.

SEC. 2. *Be it further Enacted:* That all acts or parts of acts heretofore enacted, coming in conflict with the provisions of this are hereby repealed.

SEC. 4. *Be it further Enacted:* And this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved October 31, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL No. 65.

AN ACT Appropriating Money to Defray the Expense of taking testimony in the M. K. & T. Railway Law Claim.

Be it Enacted by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled :

SECTION 1. That the sum of one thousand dollars, (\$1,000.00), be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the National Treasury not otherwise appropriated for the purpose of defraying expenses necessary and incidental to the case of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railway land claim.

SEC. 2. *Be it further Enacted:* That the National Auditor is hereby authorized to issue his warrant for the said sum on the Treasurer and the Treasurer shall pay the same, and the Principal Chief shall make report of the expenditure of their appropriations to the next General Council. And this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved November 1, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,
Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

Executive Mansion, Washington, D. C., Dec. 8, 1899.

Approved: WILLIAM MCKINLEY.

BILL No. 66.

A RESOLUTION Directing the National Secretary of the Choctaw Nation to Supply the Chickasaw Authorities With a Copy of the Action of the General Council Respecting a Strip of Land Subject to the Action of Said Nations Jointly.

Be it Resolved by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation

assembled:

SECTION 1. That the National Secretary of the Choctaw Nation be and is hereby directed and authorized to furnish the authorities of the Chickasaw Nation with a copy of the action of the General Council in regard to the strip of land bordering on the Arkansas and Poteau Rivers, extending up said rivers to the mouth of Mill Creek, as described under the agreement.

SEC. 2. *Be it further Enacted:* That this resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved November, 1, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,
Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL No 67.

A RESOLUTION Accepting the Report of the Citizenship Commission.

To the General Council:

We, the committee appointed to examine the report of the Citizenship Commission of the Choctaw Nation, would respectfully report that we find the same to be correct, and that they have an unexpended balance of the former appropriation sufficient to defray the expenses of the Commission for the ensuing year, and would recommend the passage of the following resolution.

Be it Resolved by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

That the report of the Citizenship Commission of the Choctaw Nation be accepted as true and correct. And this resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved November 1, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL No. 68.

Be it Enacted by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

SECTION 1. That the present session of the General Council shall adjourn, Wednesday, November 1st, 1899, at 4 o'clock p. m.

SEC. 2. That any resolution in conflict with this resolution is hereby repealed. And this resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved November 1, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL No. 70.

We, your committee, to whom was referred the report of Simon H. Woods, National Auditor, after a careful examination of same, find said report correct and ask the adoption of the following resolution.

Be it Resolved by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation

assembled :

That the report of Simon H. Woods be, and the same is hereby accepted, as true and correct, and that this resolution take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved November 1, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,
Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL No. 71.

Whereas, The time for the location of the Land Office, of the Choctaw Nation, under the supervision of the Dawes Commission, is near at hand; and

Whereas, We deem that the location of the office will be for the betterment and convenience of those people whom the business of the office concern; and

Whereas, Tushkahomma, the Capital of said Nation, is very nearly centrally located, and the facilities of access to the same have been recognized by the authorities of said Nation, by establishing the Capitol at said place. Therefore,

Be it Resolved by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled :

That we do hereby respectfully recommend to the Honorable Dawes Commission, and to the other authorities therein concerned, the location of said Land Office

for the Choctaw Nation, at Tushkahomma, the Capitol thereof, as the most convenient, and as more nearly centrally located point in said Nation.

Be it further Resolved: That this official expression of the Choctaw Council be made known to the said Dawes Commission and other authorities therein concerned, by transmitting to them a copy herein duly certified, and under seal, and that said transmission shall be made by the National Secretary. This resolution to take effect, and be in force, from and after its passage.

Approved November 1, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL No. 72

A Resolution authorizing the National Secretary to furnish the Chickasaw authorities a copy of the action of the Choctaw Council, relative to the special agreement.

Be it Resolved by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

That the National Secretary of the Choctaw Nation, is hereby directed to furnish the Chickasaw Authorities, a copy of the action of the Choctaw Council, in regard to the special agreement entered into by, and between, the

Special Commissioner, and the Chickasaw Commission, and the Commissioners to the Five Civilized Tribes, at the town of South McAlester, on the 5th day of September, 1899. And this resolution shall take effect, and be in force from, and after its passage and approval.

Approved November 1, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,
Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation

BILL No. 73.

AN ACT Appropriating Money for the Salary of the Coal Trustee.

Be it Enacted by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

Sec. 1. That four thousand dollars (\$4,000.00), is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, to pay N. B. Ainsworth, Coal and Asphalt Trustee, in full for his services and expenses for the year beginning November 23, 1898, and ending November 23, 1899, and the National Auditor is authorized to issue his warrant on the Treasurer for the same, and the Treasurer shall pay the same. This act shall take effect, and be in force, from, and after its passage and approval.

Approved November 1, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,
Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

Executive Mansion, Washington, D. C., Dec. 28, 1899.

Approved:

WILLIAM MCKINLEY.

BILL No. 74.

Be it Resolved by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled :

That the present session of Council shall adjourn at 10 o'clock Thursday, November 2, 1899, and all resolutions in conflict with this resolution is hereby repealed, and this resolution take effect, and be in force, from and after its passage.

Approved this the 1st day of November, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL No. 75.

AN ACT authorizing the Sheriff of Jackson county, to construct a Circuit Court House at Mayhew.

Be it Enacted by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled :

SEC. 1. That the amount of six hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$600.25) be, and the same is hereby appropriated out of the County' Treasur of the following named Counties in proportion, as follows, to-wit:

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| Blue County..... | \$125.00 |
| Atoka County..... | 125.00 |
| Jackson County..... | 125.00 |
| Kiamitia County..... | 125.00 |
| Jacks Fork County..... | 125.00 |

That the Sheriff, of Jackson County, is hereby

authorized, and instructed to build, or have built, a Circuit Court house in the county of Jackson in the third judicial district of the Choctaw Nation, at a point, by him located, within the limits of the village of Mayhew.

SECTION 2. *Be it further Enacted:* That upon the certificate of the aforesaid Sheriff, the County Treasurers, respectively, of the above named counties, shall pay the sums named, and that the aforesaid Sheriff shall make a full report of the work done to the next regular session of the General Council, including all necessary expenses incurred therein.

SECTION 3. *Be it further Enacted:* That this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

Approved November 1, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL No. 77.

AN ACT authorizing the sale of the property and site of New Hope Seminary.

Be it Enacted by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

SECTION 1. That the present site and property connected and belonging to New Hope Seminary, be and the same is hereby made subject to sale.

SECTION 2. *Be it further Enacted:* That the National Treasurer, of the Choctaw Nation is hereby author-

ized and directed to make the said disposition to a citizen of the Choctaw Nation, either by public or private sale, of whatever household goods and other property belonging to New Hope Seminary.

SECTION 3. *Be it further Enacted:* That the proceeds from said sale, shall be placed in the National Treasury a full and complete report thereof to be made to the National Treasurer, at the next succeeding regular session of Council. That this act take effect, and be in force from, and after its passage

Approved November 1, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,
Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL No. 78.

AN ACT in Relief of Col. J. C. Hodges.

Whereas, One Wm. Going, Choctaw Indian was tried, convicted and sentenced to death for the crime of murder in the Second Judicial District Court of the Choctaw nation, and,

Whereas, Hon. J. R. Thomas, United States District Judge for the Northern District of the Indian Territory, did issue a writ of habeas corpus for said Going and restraining Thomas Watson, Sheriff of Wolf county, in said District and Nation, from carrying out the sentence of said tribal court, and from executing said Wm. Going; and,

Whereas, The said Thomas Watson, was arrested and tried for contempt of court, and in said trial was dis-

charged for lack of jurisdiction on the part of said United States court therein; and,

Whereas, Col. J. C. Hodges represented the said Thomas Watson in said trial and demands the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars as attorneys fees; and,

Whereas, the said sheriff was acting in his official capacity, and the services of an attorney was indispensable and the said services were rendered by said J. C. Hodges; therefore,

Be it Enacted by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled :

SECTION 1. That the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, to pay said J. C. Hodges; and the National Auditor shall issue his warrant for said sum, and the National Treasurer shall pay the same. This act to take effect, and be in force from, and after its passage and approval.

Approved November 1, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,

Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation

BILL No. 80.

AN ACT re-enacting the general appropriation bill for 1898 and 1899, and eliminating the salary of Coal Trustee therefrom.

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| Tushkahomma Institute, half session..... | \$ 5,000.00 |
| Spencer Academy..... | 5,000.00 |
| Armstrong Orphan School..... | 7,700.00 |
| Wheelock Orphanage School..... | 5,500.00 |
| Tushkalooma Academy, half session..... | 1,500.00 |
| Superintendent Jones Academy..... | 1,200.00 |
| Teachers, Jones Academy..... | 975.00 |
| Superintendent Armstrong Academy..... | 1,200.00 |
| Teachers Armstrong Academy..... | 1,500.00 |
| Superintendent Tushkahomma Institute..... | 1,200.00 |
| Teachers, Tushkahomma Institute..... | 975.00 |
| Superintendent Spencer Academy..... | 1,200.00 |
| Teachers Spencer Academy..... | 975.00 |
| Superintendent Wheelock Academy..... | 1,200.00 |
| Superintendent Public Schools..... | 600.00 |
| Contingent fund of Superintendent of Schools. | 750.00 |
| Three district trustees..... | 1,200.00 |
| Three district Trustee contingent fund..... | 450.00 |
| Neighborhood schools, first district... .. | 5,600.00 |
| Neighborhood schools, second district..... | 4,500.00 |
| Neighborhood schools, third district... .. | 7,700.00 |
| Students in States, half session..... | 6,500.00 |
| William LeFlore, half session.. .. | 150.00 |
| Two deaf mutes, at school in states..... | 400.00 |
| Circuit and county judges pro tem..... | 30.00 |
| Publication fund national secretary..... | 350.00 |
| Two examiners to each district..... | 270.00 |
| Principal Chief's salary..... | 2,000.00 |
| National Secretary's salary..... | 600.00 |
| National Auditor's salary..... | 600.00 |
| National Treasurer's salary..... | 600.00 |
| National Attorney's salary..... | 400.00 |



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| Private secretary to Principal Chief, salary | \$ 500.00 |
| National Light horsemen | 1,450.00 |
| Three supreme judges | 1,200.00 |
| Three circuit judges | 1,500.00 |
| Seventeen county judges | 4,200.00 |
| Three district chief's salary | 150.00 |
| Three district attorney's salary | 1,500.00 |
| Election judges and clerks | 490.00 |
| Grand and petit jurors | 7,050.00 |
| Witnesses at circuit court | 3,000.00 |
| Contingent fund for Principal Chief | 400.00 |
| Contingent fund for Auditor | 400.00 |
| Contingent fund for Treasurer | 400.00 |
| Contingent fund for National Secretary | 450.00 |
| Sheriff and deputies attending circuit court | 1,350.00 |
| Clerk of supreme court | 100.00 |
| Three circuit clerks | 900.00 |
| Seventeen county clerks | 1,700.00 |
| Seventeen county sheriffs | 5,100.00 |
| Seventeen county rangers | 850.00 |
| Sheriff attending supreme court | 24.00 |
| Jones Academy, for half session | 5,000.00 |
| Mrs. J. F. McCurtin | 576.08 |
| E. H. Wilson | 148.00 |
| J. B. Jeter | 2,860.84 |
| T. W. Hunter | 1,080.25 |
| Book and chart account | 12,405.00 |
| Expenses of General Council | 6,561.90 |
| Light horsemen | 1,050.00 |
| Dr. R. S. Miller | 602.00 |
| George Sengel | 600.00 |
| J. D. Chastain | 576.35 |

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| Sam Hersch (Star & Grunstein) - - - | \$ 435.00 |
| G. E. and K. K. Knight - - - - - | 450.00 |
| P. J. Hudson - - - - - | 760.00 |
| Deputy sheriffs whose offices are abolished - | 283.22 |
| Deputy Sheriff - - - - - | 3,400.00 |
| National agent's salary, one month - - - | 66.66 |
| Election judges and clerks' pay at the election on agreement - - - - - | 680.00 |
| Approved November 1, 1899. | |

GREEN McCURTAIN,
Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL No 81.

AN ACT making appropriation for the regular and necessary expenses of the government for the fiscal year from October 1, 1899, to September 30, 1900.

Be it Enacted by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

That the following sums of money are hereby appropriated out of the National Treasury to defray the regular and necessary expenses of the Government for the fiscal year commencing October 1, 1899, and ending September 3, 1900:

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| Principal Chief's salary - - - - - | \$ 2,000.00 |
| National Secretary's salary - - - - - | 600.00 |
| National Auditor's salary - - - - - | 600.00 |
| National Treasurer's salary - - - - - | 600.00 |
| National Attorney's salary - - - - - | 400.00 |
| Private secretary to Principal Chief salary - | 500.00 |
| National Lighthorsemen - - - - - | 1,450.00 |

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| Three supreme judges | - - - - - | 1,200.00 |
| Three circuit judges | - - - - - | 1,500.00 |
| Seventeen county judges' salary | - - - - - | 4,200.00 |
| Three district chiefs' salary | - - - - - | 150.00 |
| Three district Attorneys' salary | - - - - - | 1,500.00 |
| Election judges' and clerks' pay | - - - - - | 490.00 |
| Grand and petit jurors | - - - - - | 7,050.00 |
| Witnesses at circuit court | - - - - - | 3,000.00 |
| Contingent fund for Principal Chief | - - - - - | 400.00 |
| Contingent fund for auditor | - - - - - | 400.00 |
| Contingent fund for Treasurer | - - - - - | 400.00 |
| Contingent fund for National Secretary | - - - - - | 450.00 |
| Sheriff and deputies attending circuit court | - - - - - | 1,350.00 |
| Clerk of supreme court salary | - - - - - | 100.00 |
| Seventeen county clerks | - - - - - | 1,700.00 |
| Three circuit clerks | - - - - - | 900.00 |
| Seventeen county sheriffs, | - - - - - | 5,100.00 |
| Sheriff attending supreme court | - - - - - | 24.00 |
| Seventeen county rangers | - - - - - | 850.00 |
| Supintendent of public schools | - - - - - | 600.00 |
| Three district Trustees | - - - - - | 1,200.00 |
| Publication fund for National Secretary | - - - - - | 350.00 |
| Circuit and county judges pro tem | - - - - - | 30.00 |
| Deputy sheriffs | - - - - - | 3,400.00 |
| George Bell, caring for the capitol | - - - - - | 95.00 |
| Contingent fund, for Supt. public schools | - - - - - | 450.00 |
| Contingent fund, for district trustees | - - - - - | 225.00 |
| Four deaf mutes, \$200.00 each | - - - - - | 800.00 |
| Stationary and fuel, furnished General Council | - - - - - | 35.60 |
| Expenses for Ward & Hunter, committee to Hartshorne | - - - - - | 18.10 |

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| L. M. Maurer, contingent fund district trustee 3rd district, 1897. - - - - - | 94.45 |
| Compensation and expenses to D. C. McCurtain | 65.25 |
| Expenses of the General Council, October ses- sion, 1899 - - - - - | 10,000.00 |
| Engrosser - - - - - | 145 00 |

Approved November 1, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,
Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

BILL No. 84.

RESOLUTION of Respect.

Tushkahomma, Ind. Ter.

Whereas, It has pleased the Almighty to remove from us our esteemed friend and staunch supporter of the Choctaw Government, Judge H. C. Harris, and while we bow in humble submission to the wise dispensation of Him who controls the universe, yet we mourn the loss of one who so long served his people faithfully and always had the interest of his people at heart; therefore,
Be it Resolved by the General Council of the Choctaw Nation assembled:

That both houses wear the usual badge of mourning thirty days. And that the National Secretary is hereby requested to furnish the family of H. C. Harris with a copy of this resolution.

Approved November, 2, 1899.

GREEN McCURTAIN,
Principal Chief, Choctaw Nation.

This is to Certify, That the above and foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of the original Act and Resolutions of the Choctaw General Council, passed at its Regular Session for the year 1899. The originals whereof are now on file in the office of the National Secretary of said Nation.

In Testimony Whereof, I, Soloman J. Homer, National Secretary of said nation, have hereunto affixed my official signature and the seal of the Choctaw Nation. Done this the 15th day of March, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

SOLOMAN J. HOMER,

[SEAL.] *National Secretary, Choctaw Nation.*



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