

ESTIMATE OF APPROPRIATION FOR CHOCTAW AND
CHICKASAW AGENCY.

LETTER

FROM THE

SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR,

TRANSMITTING

An estimate of appropriation required for the Indian service at the Choctaw and Chickasaw agency, Indian Territory.

JANUARY 11, 1872.—Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
Washington, D. C., January 9, 1872.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith a communication, dated the 3d instant, from the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, together with the accompanying estimate of appropriation required for the Indian service at the Choctaw and Chickasaw agency, Indian Territory, to which the attention of Congress is respectfully invited.

The amount asked for is \$5,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the erection of a building at New Boggy Depot, in the Indian Territory, to be used as an office by the agent to the Choctaw and Chickasaw Indians.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

C. DELANO,
Secretary.

Hon. JAS. G. BLAINE,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,
Washington, D. C., January 3, 1872.

SIR: The difficulty experienced by the agents for the Choctaw and Chickasaw Indians in procuring necessary accommodations for an office in a country where such conveniences are not always to be found, has long been a source of embarrassment to them and to this Bureau, the agents being compelled to shift about from place to place wherever temporary accommodations could be had, while the interest of the ser-

vice requires that some permanent place be provided, at which the business of the agency can at all times be transacted.

The small annual appropriation of \$10,000 for buildings at agencies and repairs is barely sufficient to keep the buildings now existing in repair, and there are no other funds at the disposal of the Department that can be used for the special purpose above referred to.

I therefore have the honor to suggest that an application be made to Congress for an appropriation of \$5,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for erecting at New Boggy Depot, in the Indian Territory, a suitable building for the use of the Choctaw and Chickasaw agency.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

F. A. WALKER,
Commissioner.

Hon. C. DELANO,
Secretary of the Interior.

Estimate of appropriation required for the Indian service at the Choctaw and Chickasaw agency, Indian Territory.

For this amount, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the erection at New Boggy Depot, in the Indian Territory, of a building to be used as an office for the agent to the Choctaw and Chickasaw Indians..... \$5,000 00