MESSAGE

FROM THE

PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES,

IN RESPONSE

To Senate resolution of June 16, 1890, relative to negotiations for the purchase of certain lands in Indian Territory.

JUNE 18, 1890.—Read, referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs, and ordered to be printed.

To the Senate of the United States:

In response to the resolution of the Senate of the sixteenth instant, relating to the negotiations by the Cherokee Commission for the purchase of certain lands in the Indian Territory, I respectfully state that on the 20th day of May and the 12th day of June, respectively, agreements were signed by the Iowa and the Sac and Fox tribes, ceding to the United States certain of their lands. The contracts and accompanying papers were received at the Interior Department on the 2d and 17th days of June, respectively, and are now under examination by the proper officers of that Department. When these examinations are concluded the papers will, if found to be complete and conformable to law, be submitted to Congress.

BENJ. HARRISON.

EXECUTIVE MANSION, June 18, 1890.