

Sir,

Decr 1st 1867

We present the Case of
Mr David Dogerty and his wife
Mrs D Dogerty, and her two Sons, Shaunee
all members of the Tribe. In consequence, he
the Said Dogerty, had four allotments
of Land patented to him, as head of the
Family, in accordance with the Stipulations
= on of Shaunee Treaty of Nov 2nd 1854. Under
the Existing Rules, he had a right to Sell one
half of his head rights Designated in the
patent, his wife since the Selection of Land
has deceased, also one of her Sons. Now the
Said Dogerty, has sold under the Regulation
one half of these whole Tracts, The Last Sale
being made under Agent Taylor, and under
The Rules as soon as he can be permitted
Sell the Last Remaining Land patented
to him under these Circumstances, Now
in order you understand the Case we
have been thus plain, Hoping you may
understand the Bearing, and points

in the Case, here, are two Children
Dogbert's Step Sons sold out of house
and Land by their Steppather. Mr Dogbert
under the Rules laid down By the Secretary
of Interior, These Lands did not come into
the possession of Mr Dogbert, By any right
of his own, But were allotted him in Trust
for his wife's Children, By a Stipulation in
Shawnee Treaty, a present or rights to the
Children By the Shawnee Nation in con-
=junction and Approbation of U.S.

Now for these Children to Lose this Land alto-
gether, seems to us very hard, that Dogbert
can go on and dispossess these Orphans
seems to us not just, For the Dogbert
has had the use of their funds which was
paid to them ^{as payments} Since the Decease of his wife
although he has never sustained or main-
tained them at his own expense, Their
Mother's Mother having immediately taken
charge of them since the decease of their
mother at her own expense, These facts
are just as we present them, And we
now present them to your Consideration

Although The Law may seem to give
Doherty a right to sell and make use
of this property. Still it is not equitable
or right or just

There is a Sale made by Saml
Doherty to some parties ^{last summer} although the grand
mother protested, at the time, and Agent
Taylor was notified of the facts, he stated
to the Grand mother, he could not interfere,
or stop the Sale, as the Regulation per-
mitted Doherty to sell the Land, and he
had a right to do so, unquestioned in his
opinion.

Therefore We protest against any Sale
being made ~~or~~ approved by the Secretary of
Interior unless your office will sustain
the Decision of Agent Taylor and the Ophan
be Robbed of all his rights. This we submit
and await your Early consideration and
decision in this case

Hon N G Taylor
Com missioner of Ind Affairs
Washington City D C

Yours Respectfull
Matthews King
for the Delegates now in
Washington
D. C.