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Secretary returns the
papers submitted
with report of
8th inst. rel. to the ap-
proval of a Shawnee
deed, from General
Jackson Rogers, to
J. M. Lee

See letter to Mr Brooks Jan 18 1869
" " " Hon. Secretary Clarke. " 13 1869.



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Department of the Interior

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Washington D.C. Jan'y 11th 1869.

Sir:

I return, herewith, the papers, submitted with your report of the 8th instant, relative to the approval of a Shawnee deed from General Jackson Rogers to J. J. McGhee, which was the subject of a letter to the Hon. Sidney Clarke of Kansas, enclosed by him to this Department, and referred to you on the 5th instant.

You will address a letter to Mr. Brooke, enclosing to him a copy of his letter to the Hon. Sidney Clarke, and requesting him

to inform the Bureau immediately, what amount was paid by Mr. McGhee to obtain the approval of the deed, and to whom such payment was made.

The allegation of Mr. McGhee, that he "paid for obtaining the approval," excites suspicion as to the genuineness of the deed itself, and the deed and the letter of Mr. Brooks will be retained in the Bureau, until an answer shall be received from him, when it may become necessary to make further inquiry into the circumstances attending the execution of the deed by the grantor.

Very resp'y, Your ob't. servant,
Hon. C. G. Taylor. } O. H. Browning
Comm. of Ind'n Affairs. } Secretary.