

Department of the Interior.

Charged R.R.

Received July 24, 1869.

Dated July 9, 1869.

From H. T. Green
Attorney, Lawrence,
Kansas.
Subject.

Rel. to the title to a piece
of land ($\frac{1}{2}$ of S.E. $\frac{1}{4}$, Sec.
20, T. 12, R. 22, being portion
of the Shawnee land) alleged
to have been bought by him.

Answered June 9, 1870
Action.

Reply ref. to the Court
of No. 100. for report.

Geo. T. McLaughlin
Chief Clerk, K.

July 27/69.

Registered

Filed,

Land

1524.



GREEN & FOSTER,

75 DELAWARE STREET,



Leavenworth, Kansas,

July 9th

1869.

To the Hon. Secretary of the Interior
Washington D.C.

Heirs of Thos. Johnson Rogers.

to Harry McKride.

Dear Sir

Oct 7-1868 - approved July 27/69

I wish to arrest if possible an effort to perpetrate a fraud upon innocent parties in a land matter in Johnson County Kansas and the same being a part of the Shawnee Land the Sale of which is subject to your approval.

The facts are these in substance about the year 1862: I was induced to purchase and pay for the S¹/₂ of the S. E. ¹/₄ sec: no 20 in Township No 12 of Range 22, Johnson County Kansas. being a part of the Shawnee Lands: I declined to make any purchase until I had seen Major Jas. B. Abbott. Agent of the Shawnee tribe: who informed me that the Indian who owned the Land had sold it some time before and that the deed had been approved and the title was all right: without looking further I paid the money and took a conveyance to myself and Hiram Scott who was at the time without means. I proceeded in

1863 to improve, fence, clear and build upon it. thereby
 increasing its value to several thousands dollars. about
 1864 I conveyed the land to said Scott on 5 year credit
 taking a mortgage to secure the purchase money. soon
 afterwards I learned that the deed from the Indian had not
 been approved by the secretary of the Interior. I called
 upon the agent of the Shawnee said Abbott and informed him
 that I had learned. He admitted he was mistaken
 that the deed had not been approved by the department
 but he would see that it was and that I should feel
 no uneasiness. this matter stood until his successor
 as Shawnee agent Mr. Isaac L. Taylor was appointed and
 about September 1868 said last named Indian agent
 bought the land of Scott who had not paid one cent
 for the land and much of the stock and farming utensils
 and took possession of the land, crops, stock and farming
 utensils and now holds them and a few days since
 I met Mr. Taylor and for the first time and
 after stating to him that I had learned of Scott that he
 Taylor had at the time of the purchase promised to pay
 the mortgage debt due me. Mr. Taylor denied any
 promise and said he would pay nothing. that he had
 purchased the land of one Mr. Bridle who had bought
 this land of the Shawnee Indian a second time about
 August 1868 and should pay nothing. Please arrest the confusion
 to the deed to Taylor until we can file a caveat in the Patent.

P.S. I have written to Mr. Shawnee
 I have also learned from
 that Taylor did not possess any
 requires him to return to my interest
 which he has promised to do

Respectfully
 H. L. Green