

Department of the Interior.

Received *Aug 6th*, 1869.

Dated *Aug 2nd*, 1869.

From *C. R. Hardyke*
Baldwin City, Kan.

Subject.

In relation to his
claim to a certain
tract of land in Ks.

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Jusel Aug 20, 1869

Action.

Resp. ref. to the Comr.
of Indian Affairs.

E. S. Mott

Chief Clerk

Aug 16th

Registered,

Filed,

Sept 3rd
Land

E/S
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Aug 2nd 1869



Baldwin City Kansas
Hon L. Q. Cox
Sec'y of Interior

I wrote to Hon
C. S. Parker some 4 weeks ago in
regard to my claim - but got no
answer from yet - I am afraid he
is slow about getting title to this
land for me - I appeal to your
decision - I am the only occupant
and actual settler on the SE
Gr of Sec 24. Township 14
R 20 - I took this claim in 1862
I did not know this is patented
before I took it although the
Indian selected it 4 years ago
I found out that Ex Agent Abbott
is trying to get the title to this land
for himself instead of getting it
for me - I am told that he has
bought this land of the Indian

by the name of Naney Tiblaw
shawnee & is waiting his
approval at Washington
I should protest against the
~~Cox~~ Confirmation of a
deed made by Naney Tiblaw
to Jas B. Abbott. as he never
was a settler on this claim
but he is the mere land
speculator - I spent my
money & time on my claim for
seven years as the settler &
I have so much improvements
on my claim - Mr Cox if
you feel in duty bound to pro-
tect me as well as others
in their rights in their homes
instead of giving the speculators
the titles - I will be obliged to
you much - If Abbott gets a
clear title to my land - should
he eject me until he first

pays for my improvements?
my improvements is not less
one thousand dollars worth -
I think Abbott will not pay for
my improvements after 7 years:
work if he gets the title to this
How can I leave this without
getting my pay on the improvement
and crop that on my claim?
if so I will have to get a
new start with a large family
you can send Hon Sidney
Clarke of Lawrence or the
agent at Desoto here to ask
the old settlers around here
if I had been the only occupant
& settler on this claim since
1862 - I am very anxious
to know whether you will
give the title to Sec 14 for S 24
T. 14. R 20 to the settler or the
speculator - if you are going

to give the title to me MB8
Shall I pay Abbott or Naney
Tiblao for this land? How much?
Let me hear from as soon as you
can

Very Respectfully

B. R. Nurdyke

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