

Comm. Int. Affairs,
May 10. 1856.

Has received Supt's letter enclosing those of
Agent Butler in regard to conflict of jurisdic-
tion between the Federal and Cherokee
Courts; and the inadequacy of the Intercourse
laws to repel interlopers from the Nation;
has referred them to Secy of Interior with
recommendation for action of Congress.

Received June 2. 1856.

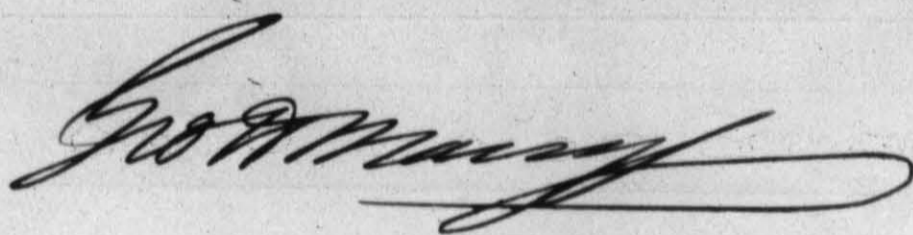
Report of communicated verbally to
Agent Butler, June 5. 1856.

Department of the Interior,
Office Indian Affairs,
May 10. 1856.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your two letters of the 16th ultimo, transmitting communications from the Agent of the Cherokees upon the subject of conflict of jurisdiction between the Cherokee & Federal courts, and of the inadequacy of the Intercourse Law to protect that Nation against the intrusion of persons of bad character into their country, which I have referred to the Secretary of the Interior with the recommendation that the subjects be brought to the attention of Congress.

Very respectfully,
Your obt. servt



Commissioner

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