

Office Supt Ind. Affairs.
 Fort Smith, Nov 2^d 1859

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of
 your letter of the 20th ult. in regard to the
 shipment from New York of certain goods
 for the Seminoles Indians, and asking to be
 informed if they had reached their destination,
 and to state in reply, that the goods have
 not arrived at this place, I was notified
 some time ago that they had been shipped
 from Apalachicola to this point, but as the
 Apalachicola River has been too low for naviga-
 tion to this point, we have had no boats
 since their shipment, I have learned that
 the goods were on a boat lying at Little
 Rock awaiting a rise in the River to get up
 on a log raider, Very Respectfully &c
 Yours &c
 Elias Hinton
 Supt Ind. Affairs