

Office Supt Inda affairs  
 Fort Smith. Nov. 18<sup>th</sup> 1859

Sir: I have the honor to transmit a  
 letter from the Hon Secy Inda affairs, in  
 answer to your letter of the 21<sup>st</sup> September last,  
 on the subject of the claim of "Lake" as  
 assistant Blacksmith &c.

You will make the investigation directed  
 by the Court and report the result to the Secy  
 through this office.

Very Respectfully  
 your obt Servt  
 Elias Weston  
 Supt Inda affs

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