

Com^r & Inell Affairs
July 6th 1852

on bal. of \$96 due
to Baptist-Parish
for stolen horses,
against the bridge

Department of the Interior,
Office Indian Affairs,
July 6. 1853.

Sir,

A letter has been received at this Office, of date the 11th May, from late Agent Morrow, in which he transmits an account of \$96. stated to be a balance, remaining of an account of \$240. due to Baptiste Peoria for six horses said to have been stolen by the Osages. Mr. Morrow writes that the account was presented by him to the Osages in Council, at their last annuity payment, that they admitted it to be just and promised to pay the whole amount, but only complied partially.

You will direct Agent Down to investigate this matter, submit it to the Chiefs in Council, and, provided it is right they should do so, advise them to pay it; but should they refuse, and yet admit the justice of the demand, you will instruct him to retain that amount out of the money to be paid them as annuity during the coming autumn.

This I. Drew. Esq:
Supt. of
Van. Bureau, Arkas: }

Very Respectfully, Yr. Ob. Serv.
Geo. W. Mansfield
Commisr.