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Page 1 Department of the Interior

 Office Indian Affairs,

 January 29th 1858

Sir

In reply to your inquiries in relation to the half section of land, reserved for Pe-nem-chis, under the 3rd. article of the treaty of the 27th of October, 1832, with the Pottawatomies of Indiana and Michigan, I have to remark that the selection of the east half of section 36, Township 32 Range 10. East, in Illinois. has been approved as his location.

A patent was issued to the reserve, on the 17th of February 1845, and sent to the Register of the Land office at Fort Wayne, Indiana, on the 25th of the same month.

If appears from an examination of the papers filed in the case, especially in a communication from F. B. Merrill. Esq. of Illinois, in June 1851, that the reserve sold this land to a man by the name of

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Hiram Todd, and in answer to the interrogatories of Mr. Merrell respecting the alleged sale to Todd, he was informed in a letter from this office, of the 20th of June 1851 , that as a patent had been issued to the reserve in accordance with the provisions of the treaty, this office had no further control over the land. It’s sale or disposition must be regulated by the laws of the state within which it is situated, as the treaty made no provision for the action of the Executive with reference to a sale or conveyance of the reservation.

I am not apprised of any further disposition of this case since that period.

 Very respectfully

 Your obt servant

 Charles E Mix

 Acting commissioner

Mr J. T Jones

Pottawatomie Interpreter

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