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Revd Robert Atkinson

Tr of Ottawa University

Dear Bro:

I now send you extracts from the remarks of Senator Buckingham, on the passage of Bill S. 1175, in the Senate, also other memoranda.

I send also copy of my correspondence with the Secretary of the Interior, my letter of 18th and his reply of January 20th.

I have written to Dr Backus, and put the whole case before him, and said that I think the Home Mission Board ought to call a meeting, and pass resolutions,--and send some one here with a copy of the resolution.

Senator Pomeroy I have not been able to find, nor can I learn where he is, at this time.

It would be advisable for the Baptists of Kansas in any public meetings or conventions, to speak

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out and let the Department here hear from them—and the Trustees of the University ought to protest.

The Indian Supt. Of and the Indian Office and are against us—you may fairly call them enemies—as this law has been obtained from Congress, on the recommendation of the Indian Office by concealment and misrepresentation. I got one copy of a report to the House dated June 3rd, and sent it to Bachus, and can’t obtain another copy.

Let me know what you may do—and what the Baptists of Kansas do.

It is indeed singular that I obtained no information about this thing till your dispatch came, I was watching the proceedings of Congress, but the title of the bill was such that It did not attract attention—viz.—“For the relief of certain Indians in the Central Superentendancy.”

The whole thing was brought out so late in the Session, that it could not become known generally till the Session closed. The Department is responsible for all that. The Secretary of the Interior said to me yesterday, that he thought the law a very just and proper one—and he would not suspend executing it, if the Attorney General should advise him it was unconstitutional.

It would be well for Judge Emory to come on here if he is properly backed by Pomeroy, Lowe and other influential Grant politicians.

Very Resp & Truly

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Henry Beard