

Green Bay Aug. 24th 1830

To The Honorable Commissioners,

Gentlemen,

We have received your Answer to our request, & have nothing to reply, except, that from an expression of yours on the subject of "holding secret Conferences," we have apprehended you may be mistaken our intention. We are perfectly willing, that all the world should know at the time, provided, the improper influence from a particular quarter might be excluded, so as to have the Indians free to act for themselves. —

Yours, Gentlemen, with high
Contiduation of esteem & respect.

Daniel Breed

John I. Mason
Erastus Root
James McCall

In order of the Chiefs
of the New York Indians

Green Bay Aug. 21. 1830.

The Chiefs of the New-York Indians, to the Hon-
orable the Commissioners of the President of the
United States, now at Green Bay, -
respectfully make known: -

That they are happy to hear of the
errand on which the Honorable Commissioners
have come, & to congratulate them on their safe
arrival. -

The Chiefs of the New-York Indians hereby
acknowledge the official notification of the
Commissioners, calling them to a united Coun-
cil, to be composed of the Honorable Commis-
sioners, the Winabagoes, the Menomines, & the
New-York Indians, for the purpose of settling
certain questions known to be at issue be-
tween the New-York Indians & the other Tribes
above named, which Council the Commissioners
have appointed to be opened on Tuesday the
24th Inst. at or near Green Bay. -

The Chiefs of the New-York Indians hereby
have to make the following ^{preliminary} requests: -

First. - That the place of holding the Council,
may be without the settlement of Green Bay

Secondly. - That none but the parties concerned
and the Honorable the Commissioners may
be admitted to witness the deliberations
of the Council: -

Thirdly. - That the doings of the Council
shall be sacredly kept from all
persons without, until the deliberations
are concluded: -

The Honorable Commissioners will be able to
appreciate the motives of these requests, when they
are informed, that the Chiefs are fully certified
of the interested & meddling interference of the
white Citizens of Green Bay, in the affairs of
the Indians; - & moreover, that the Chiefs
have reason to be fully convinced, that little
or nothing can be effected in the contemplated
negotiations of this Council towards the ad-
-justment of existing differences, & for the attain-
-ment of the objects of this Commission, unless
the influence of the white citizens of Green Bay

Can be entirely excluded. -

Confiding in the Justice of the Honorable
Commissioners, and in their earnest desire
to fulfil the purposes of their Commission, the
Chiefs of the New York Indians, flatter themselves,
that the Commissioners will see & feel the reason-
ableness of these requests - & that they, the Commis-
sioners, in view of these reasons, will institute
and sustain effectual measures for the sessions
& deliberations of the Contemplated Council
to be held in strict & rigid Conclave, until
they are concluded - so that those without
cannot be made acquainted with what is
passing within. -

Most respectfully Submitted.

John T. Mason

Erastus Root

James McColl

Dr. W. Quincy

A. Miller

his
Daniel + Bread
marks

his
John + Anthony
marks

his
Henry + Dowling
marks

his
Neddy + Antthequette
marks