

Oneida, Wis., Aug. 15<sup>th</sup> 1922.

Mr. Edward A. Everett,  
Albany, N. Y.

Dear Sir:-

Just a few lines in regard to a claim which we have in the state of New York. It is a private claim and we don't want it brought up before the Six Nation Council as a Tribal claim. It is known as the Lucy Tauder claim. This claim was set aside for her and her heirs forever by the United States Government in recognition of the gallant service she rendered the government during the Revolutionary War. It was a critical moment during that war that the said service was rendered. General Washington had already unbuckled his sword belt and thrown it on the ground ready to surrender, when Lucy Tauder ran up to him and rebuckled his sword belt onto him and encouraged him to hold on just a little longer, then she ran to the rear, and, stealing a pony, rode 40 miles through the wilderness for reinforcements which

one brought up in time to save the day for  
the United States. It was in recognition of  
this noble act that this claim was set aside  
for her and her heirs, forever, and that is why  
we say it is a private claim which the Six  
Nation Tribes have nothing to do with whatever  
The treaty which contains this claim was  
stolen from the Land Office, located at Clinton  
N.Y. at the time, and brought to Green Bay,  
Wis. by a lady by the name of Little Root.  
I don't know where that treaty is right now  
but if it should happen to show up at the  
conference just hold it and make the party  
that has it prove up his right to the claim.  
Lucy Tander had one daughter who was married  
to Abraham Denny, and one of their daughters  
Katherine Denny, was married to my grand-  
father, Jacob L.W. Doytater, who, in turn, were  
the parents of my father, Truman Doytater, Sr.  
I would also like to know about the 100 acre  
estate of George Doytater, who, with his wife,  
came to Wisconsin on a visit, and, while here  
took sick and died. I understand that the  
state of New York sold his estate to a man  
named Jenkins for an even thousand dollars.  
That money can not be claimed by the Six  
Nations, can it? The said George Doytater  
was the father of Jacob L.W. Doytater. I have  
tried to make things clear in regard to the  
Lucy Tander claim but if you want to learn  
more about it I will try to give you the  
details.

Yours respectfully,  
Hira Doptaler.

Per J. D.