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U. S. INDIAN SERVICE.

Green Bay Agency.

Keshena, Wisconsin.

Dec 28 1877

JOS. C. BRIDGMAN,

U. S. Indian Agent.

SUBJECT.

*Referring letters
of July & October also
Dec 6th in which
timber cutting in
violation of the
law is reported
upon*

ACTION.

*Submitted to Dept with report Jan
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State Inspecter Job Rooms, Green Bay, Wis.

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JOS. C. BRIDGMAN

U. S. AGENT FOR
MENOMINEE,
STOCKBRIDGE
AND
ONEIDA

INDIANS.

Green Bay Indian Agency,

Keshena, Wis., Dec. 28 1877.

E. A. Hayt
Hon. J. D. Smith,

Com. Indian Affairs, Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In July last, again in
October (I have not the dates at
this office) and again under Dec
6th while at Washington, after a
interview with the Hon. Secy of
The Interior, I wrote you setting
forth the continual violation of
the law respecting the cutting
of Government timber upon the sev-
eral reservations of this Agency by
whitemen, and Indians as well.

Permit me respectfully ask that I
may be sustained in efforts to stop it, or
that Senator Dawes request be
complied with. and the Indians
be allowed to cut and sell tim-
ber for their individual use
and profit, and the suits I
have entered against trespassers
in the Court be withdrawn.

Keshena, Wis.,

1877.

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Dear Sir:

The Stockbridge Reservation not already allotted to individual Indians has come upon it - and last winter over a million feet was cut, by two members of the tribe, and a white man - as instructed by your office I entered suit, in the U. S. Court and the U. S. Marshall seized the logs -

The cases were put over to the July term of Court - In July they were again put over to the October term - In October they were not called up - and are probably to go by default - The same result respecting several cases, which I entered against parties who were buying timber from the Oneida Indians. I hear it from one of the defendants that there