

January 26, 1821

In relation to this matter the following is their petition to the government. "We the Chiefs of the Oneida Nation understanding from His Excellency the Governor of the state that there as yet reaming due sum of money in the funds of Marie S. Miller and Nathan Williams Esq., ^{owe over} above the ^{Expend} ----- of build the Oneida Church which seems ^{Money} ----- may be appropriated for the moral and religious ^{improvement} ----- of the Oneida people. I hereby request and authorized me said Miller and Williams to ^{Pay the} ----- Williams their Pastor and teacher for the purpose of paying the expenses all ready ^{intending} ----- for ----- the ground around the church and for building a vestry room for the church for aiding in the creation of a ^{Parsonage} ----- house as also for the purchase of a small ^{bell} ----- for the church and ----- we ----- when to pay to our Pastor and teacher for his service in teaching our ^{children} ----- in morality and religion done at Oneida this 26th day of January 1821.

Witness:

A.G. Ellis

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Captain x Peters
mark
Hendrick x Schuyler
Jacob x Ottshetc
William x Jagohowi
Hendrick x Powles
Peter x Neddy
Silas x Anausente
Daniel x Bread

In the following explanation of the ----- by the Chiefs of the 1st Christian. Enclosure 0053

Party may suffer from a extract of their letter to ^{Domestics} ----- and foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church of Philadelphia dated 20th of February 1824. ----- & -----.

^{Father & Brethren}
^{we} ----- ^{now} speak of that part in which Mr. Williams in a letter by a number of Oneida Indians, to ^{Your Rev} ----- Rev Bisloy Nobont, with having applied certain monies contributed by the Indians for the purpose of founding a school.

This we doubt not a surplus of the monies raised by U.S. chapel for religious worship. When we found after completing the chapel that there was still money left. It was requested that Mr. Williams, M.S. Miller Esq. the ----- should meet us on the 26th of January 1821, the gentlemen explains we believe to the understanding of all ----- money has been explained and informed ----- there be sum still remaining was in the 12 and 7 ----- the Governor of the state under who ----- they had acted. They then asked the Chief & Warriors in what way the remainder should be ----- we at first ----- in answer.

Enclosure 0054

Authority
Propose
Expend

Commission

How ever

Expend

only may suffer from a deficit of
their letter to the Directors of the
Massachusetts Society of the Protestant
Episcopal Church of Philadelphia dated
30th of February 1824.
Fellow Brethren -

It now speaks of that part we
written Mr Williams in a letter by a
member of ourse Indians, to the right Rev. Bishop
Notont, with rising American Indian
Monks contributed by the Indians for the
purpose of founding a School.

Thus we doubt not to a surplus of
the monies raised by us for the purpose of building a
church for religious worship; when we find
after completing the church that there was
still some money left. It was received in 1827

except for the figures recorded, when we found
after examining the charges that there was
still some money left. It was requested that
Mr Williams - Mr J Miller Esq, the Commissioner
should meet us on the 26th of January 1821, the
Gentlemen explain ~~we~~ believe to the undersigned
standing that however money has been expended
since we formed as the debt being still remaining
with in the hands of the Government of the state
- undenied as already they had asked they their
cases the Chief of the same in what way the
Commissioner should be defended, we at first proposed
in ~~our~~ answer

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Please
Type
Jan. 26, 1821

In relation to this matter the following
is their petition to the government

"We the chiefs of the Cree Nation,
sincerely from his Excellency the
Governor of the state that we ^{are} yet
remembering the sum of money in the hands
of Messrs. Miller & Nathan Williams
and that alone the expense of building the
oneida church which is now

mainly made apportioned for the

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Moral and religious improvement of the people. He hereby request a certificate the said Miller & Williams to pay the amount in their hands to the Redeemers William Williams their pastor and teacher for the purchase of

paying the expenses already incurred for improving the ground around the church on for building a meeting room for the church for seating in the ceiling of a Parsonage

house as also for the purchase of a small hall for the church and needed use will then to pay to said Pastor and teacher for his services in teaching and preaching in personally a religious tract and

This 26th day of January 1821

Witness

Wm. Williams

went to pay to see Peters and teacher
for his services in leading our children in
generally a religion done at church.

This 26th day of January 1821
written:
C. H. Ellis

Captain ^{His} ~~James~~ Peters

Hendrick X Schuyler

Isaac X Oftschele

William X Jago hooi

William X Melan 5510

Hendrick X Davies

Peter X Heddy

Sihas X A. Rausenfe

David X Bread

The following explanation of the foregoing by
the clerk of the 1st Christian

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