

Cherokee Agency on the Arkansas
Return I agree
27th May 1845

to the War Department
Highwayee Garrison
Office

Yr by the Hand of

Wm John B Chisholm Dated 31st of Aug 1845
Have duly received

I have kept a correspondence with you
Wm Clark has respect the Indians under my
agency. & have at the same time mention my
opinion has related the Osages & other Broken
tribes. The Osages are forever sending deputations
by every one around their firm attachment
to the government of the United States their
reasons for sending deputations to me is because
they have entirely separated from the other Osages
& that they wish to have nothing to do with neither
them nor their agent. Monsieur P Choteau
their reasons as far as I can understand is owing
to the unfriendly disposition of Mons^r Choteau
& the White Hair Osages towards the United States

Here enclosed I send you the communication
which I have send. I John Armstrong or to the
Secretary ^{of War} whoever he may be for I am ignorant of

all sorts news. You will find Herewith all my Commu-
nication with G. W. Clark enclosed to the Secretary of
War. You will see a very great alteration in the second
first communication of his last —

You will perceive among the papers enclosed
to you for the Secretary of War Copies of a letter from
Some Gentlemen to whom I have given positive
permission to establish a Salt Works near
the Osage village, a work of this kind is
essentially necessary to the good of the Indians
& others of this Country having to give \$30 often
for salt for Powder. I wish you therefore to write
to G. W. Clark & the Secretary of War on the
subject.

as to my emoluments being raised to enable
me to perform the duty of my office I think it neces-
sary not only for that but to enable me to live
as I ought to do, now I have to give \$20 & 25 / 100 for
for Paper, \$1 for Coffee & every thing else in propor-
tion. I shall certainly always correspond with
you thinking not only a duty but a respect I
owe to a sincere friend.

Respectfully

I have the Honour to be
Yr. Most Obedt Servt

Wm. L. G. Wiley

Wm. L. G. Wiley & myself wishes you, Timothy & all
your family to accept to our sincerest friendship
God Bless you —
W. L. G.