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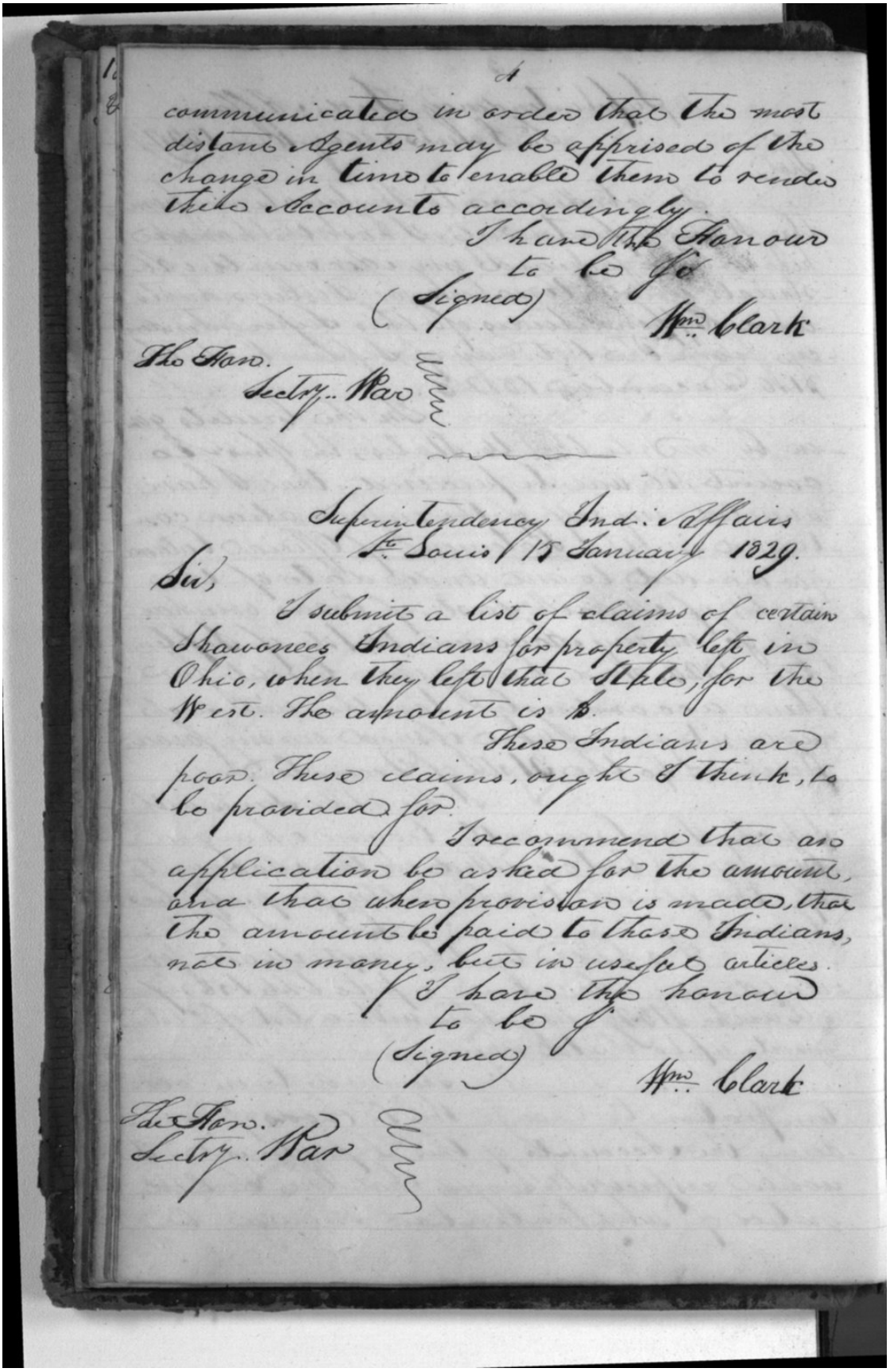
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communicated in order that the most distant Agents may be apprised of the change in time to enable them to render their Accounts accordingly.

I have the Honour to be &c

(Signed) Wm. Clark

The Hon.
Secty. War

Superintendency Ind. Affairs
St. Louis 15 January 1829.

Sir,

I submit a list of claims of certain Shawonees Indians for property left in Ohio, when they left that State, for the West. The amount is $.

These Indians are poor. These claims, ought I think, to be provided for.

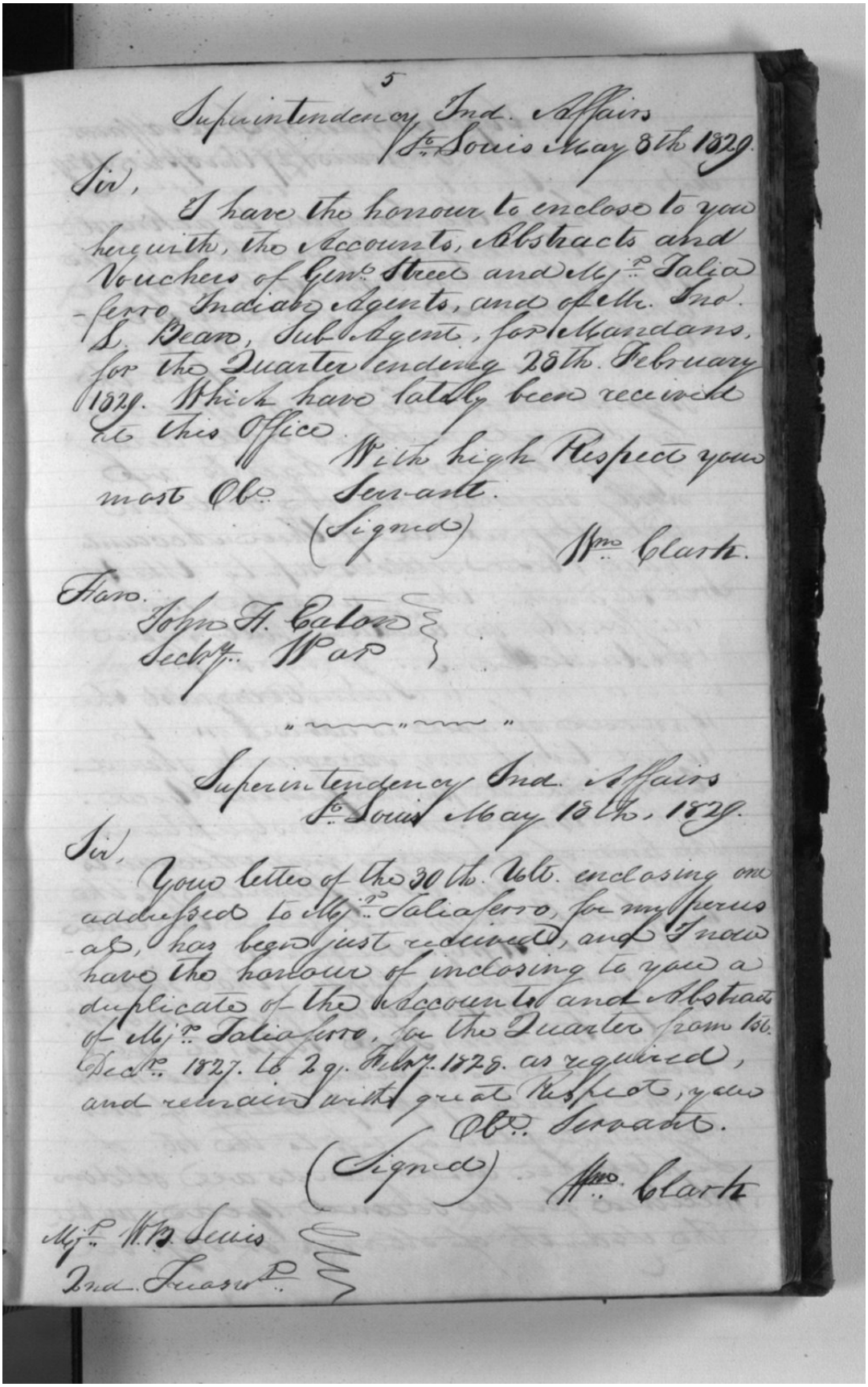
I recommend that an application be asked for the amount, and that when provision is made, that the amount be paid to those Indians, not in money, but in useful articles.

I have the honour to be &c

(Signed) Wm. Clark

The Hon.
Secty. War

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Superintendency Ind. Affairs
St. Louis May 8th 1829.

Sir,

I have the honour to enclose to you herewith, the Accounts, Abstracts and Vouchers of Genl. Street and Mr. Taliaferro Indian Agents, and of Lt. Jno. L. Bean, Sub Agent, for Mandans, for the Quarter ending 28th. February 1829. Which have lately been received at this Office.

With high Respect your most Obt. Servant.

(Signed) Wm. Clark.

Hon. John H. Eaton
Secty. War

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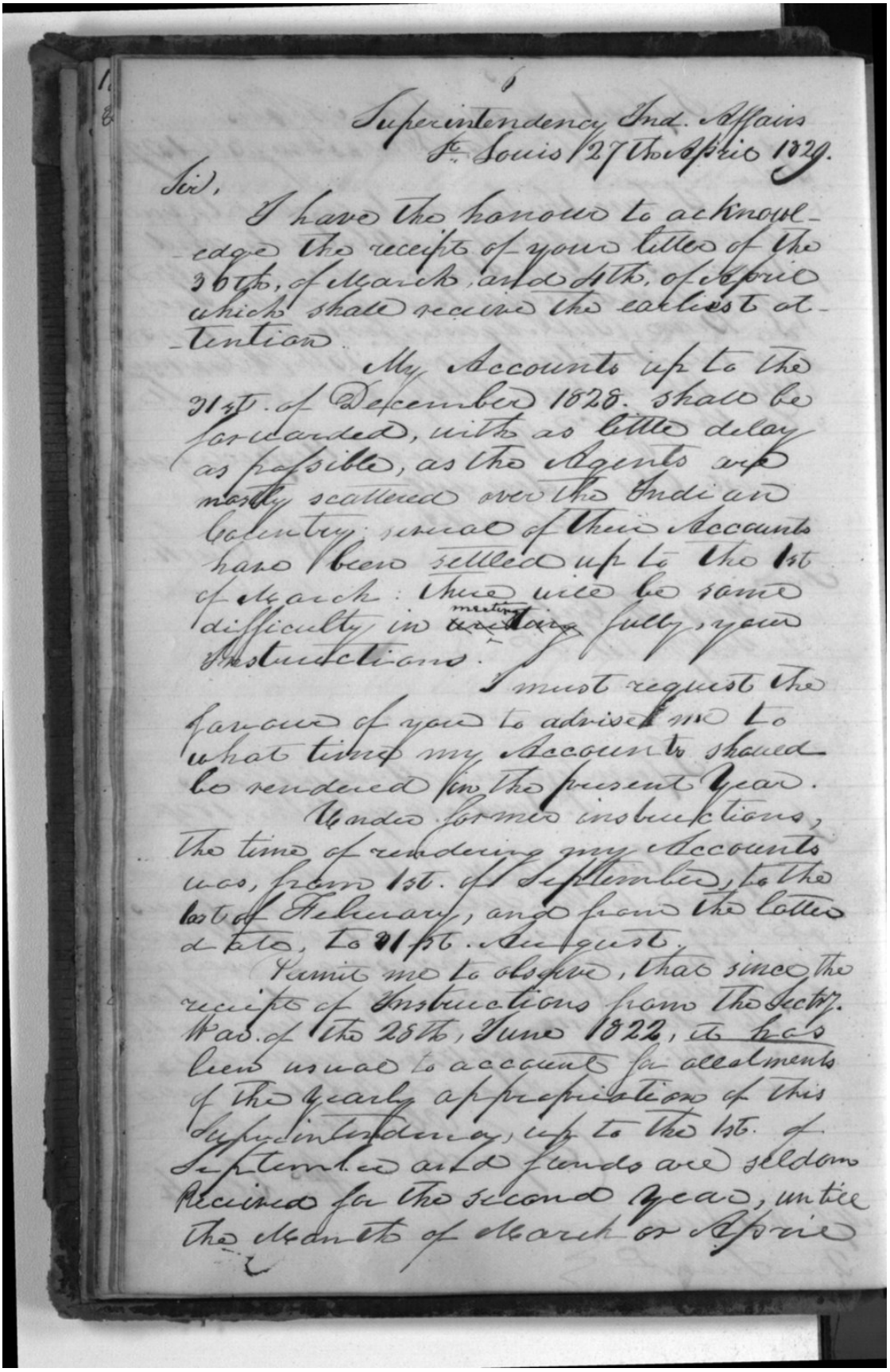
Superintendency Ind. Affairs
St. Louis May 13th. 1829.

Sir,

Your letter of the 30th. ult. enclosing one addressed to Mr. Taliaferro, for my perusal, has been just received, and I now have the honour of inclosing to you a duplicate of the Accounts and Abstracts of Mr. Taliaferro, for the Quarter from 1st. Decr. 1827. to 29. Feby. 1828. as required, and remain with great Respect, your Obt. Servant.

(Signed) Wm. Clark

Majr. W. B. Lewis
2nd. Auditor



Superintendency Ind. Affairs
St. Louis 27th April 1829.

Sir,

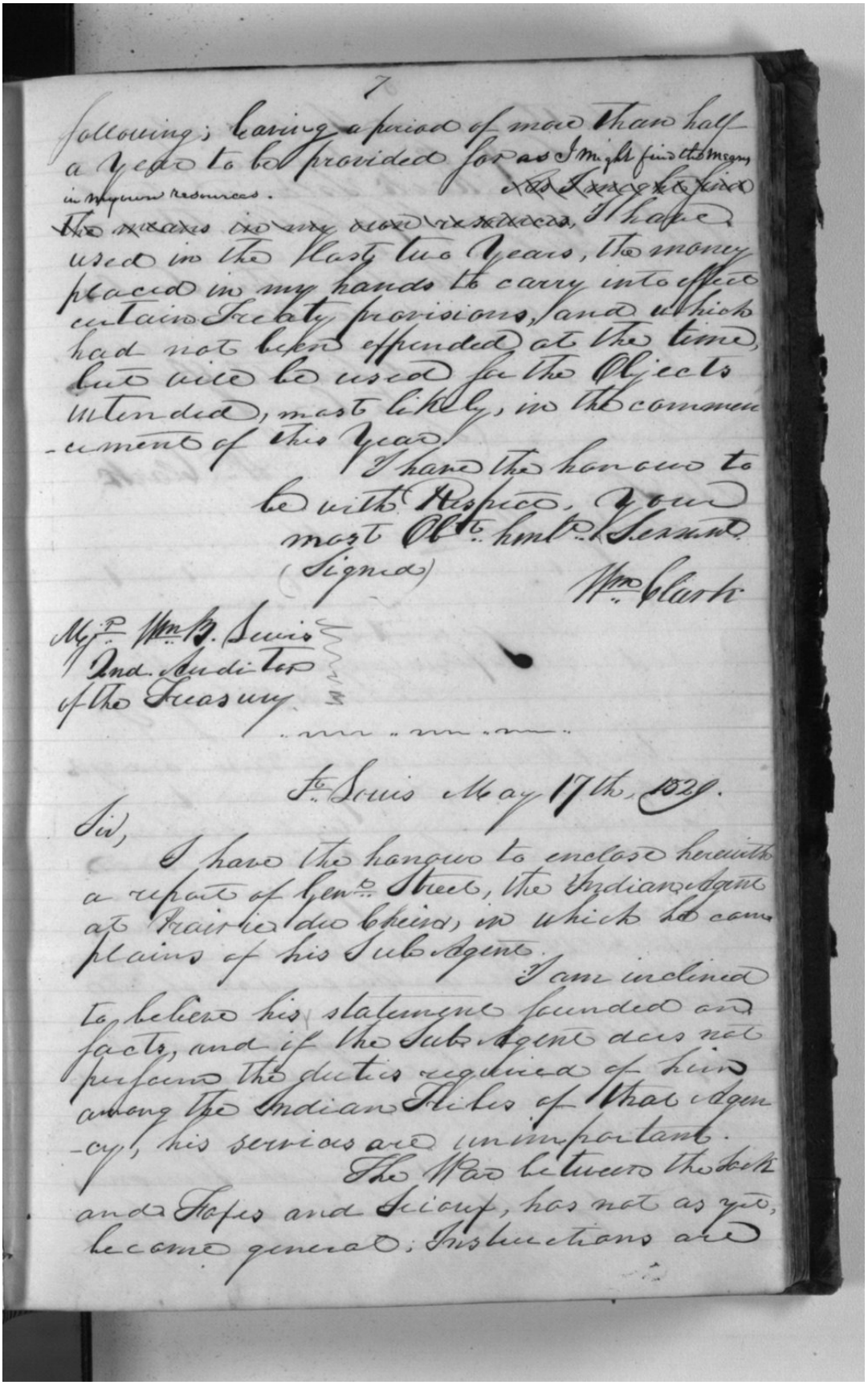
I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 26th. of March and 6th. of April which shall receive the earliest attention.

My Accounts up to the 31st. of December 1828. shall be forwarded, with as little delay as possible, as the Agents are mostly scattered over the Indian Country; several of their Accounts have been settled up to the 1st of March: there will be some difficulty in meeting fully, your instructions.

I must request the favour of you to advise me to what time my Accounts shall be rendered for the present year.

Under former instructions, the time of rendering my Accounts was, from 1st. of September, to the 1st of February, and from the latter date, to 31st. August.

Permit me to observe, that since the receipt of Instructions from the Sec'ty. War of the 28th, June 1822, it has been usual to account for allotments of the yearly appropriation of this Superintendency, up to the 1st. of September and the funds are seldom received for the second year, until the months of March or April



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following; leaving a period of more than half a Year to be provided for as I might find the means in Wagnons resources.

The monies in my hands, I have used in the last two Years, the money placed in my hands to carry into effect certain Treaty provisions, and which had not been expended at the time, but will be used for the Objects intended, most likely, in the commencement of this Year.

I have the honour to be with Respect, Your most Obt. hmbl. Servt.

(Signed) Wm. Clark

Majr. Wm. B. Lewis
2nd. Auditor
of the Treasury

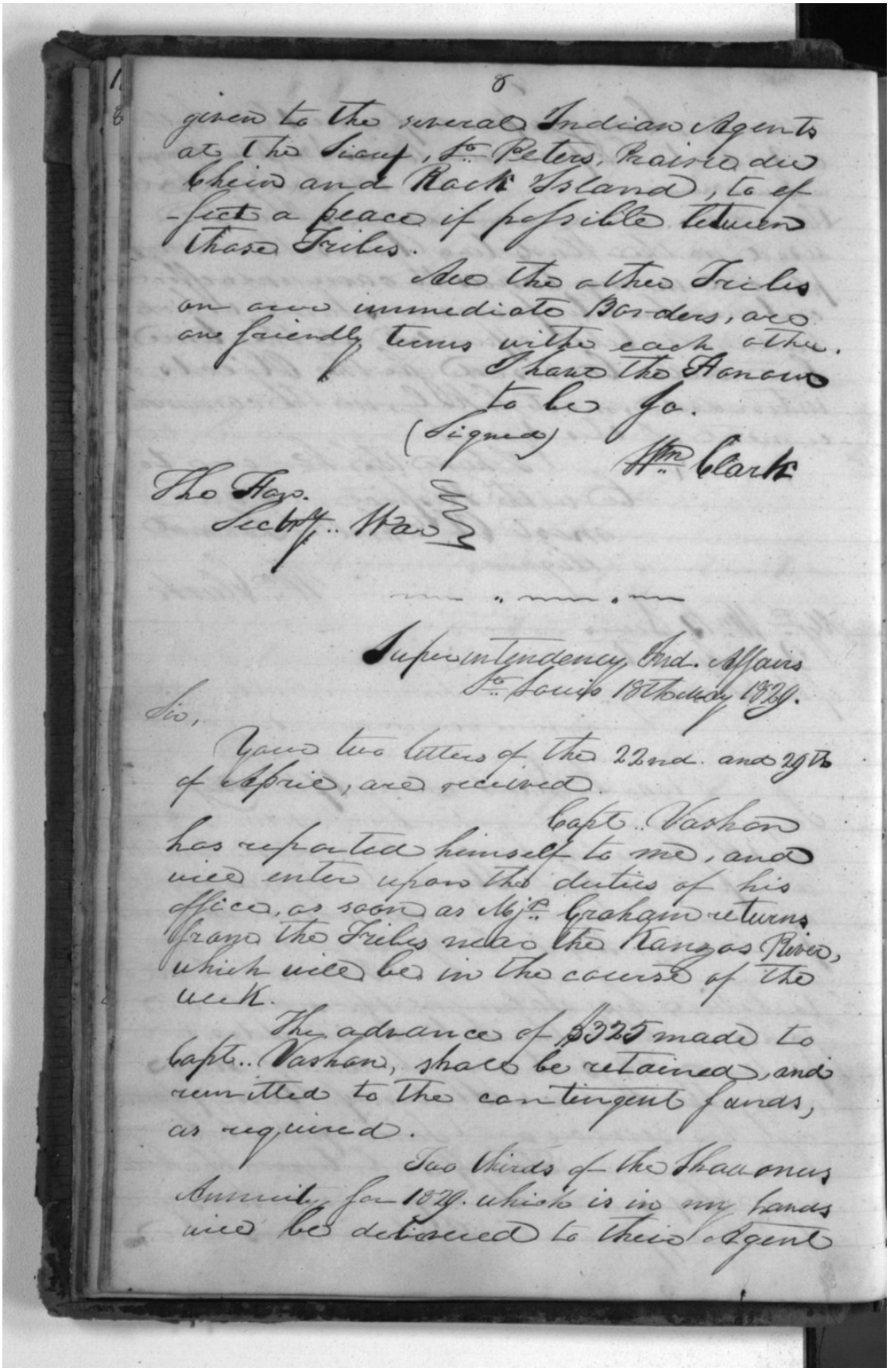
St. Louis May 17th, 1829.

Sir,

I have the honour to enclose herewith a report of Genl. Street, the Indian agent at Prairie du Chien, in which he complains of his Sub agent.

I am inclined to believe his statement founded on facts, and if the Sub agent does not perform the duties required of him among the Indian Tribes of that agency, his services are unimportant.

The War between the Sioux and Foxes and Sioux, has not as yet become general; Instructions are



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given to the several Indian Agents at the Sioux, Ft. Peters, Prairie du Chien and Rock Island, to effect a peace if possible between those Tribes.

As the other Tribes on our immediate Borders, are on friendly terms with each other.

I have the Honour to be &c.

(Signed) Wm. Clark

The Secy. of War

Superintendency Ind. Affairs
St. Louis 13th May 1819.

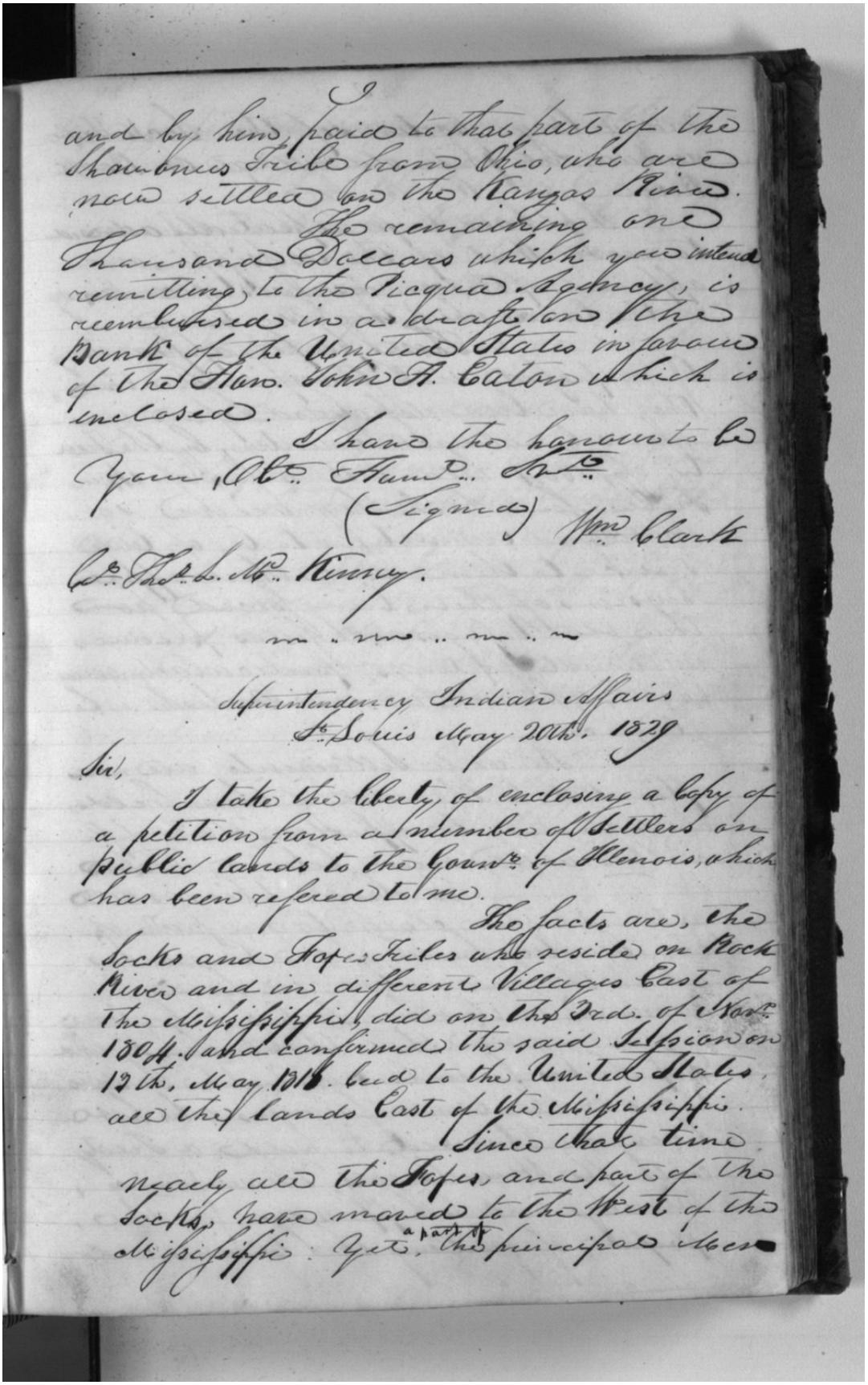
Sir,

Your two letters of the 22nd. and 29th of April, are received.

Capt. Vashon has reported himself to me, and will enter upon the duties of his office, as soon as Mr. Graham returns from the Tribes under the Kansas River, which will be in the course of the week.

The advance of $325 made to Capt. Vashon, shall be retained, and remitted to the contingent funds, as required.

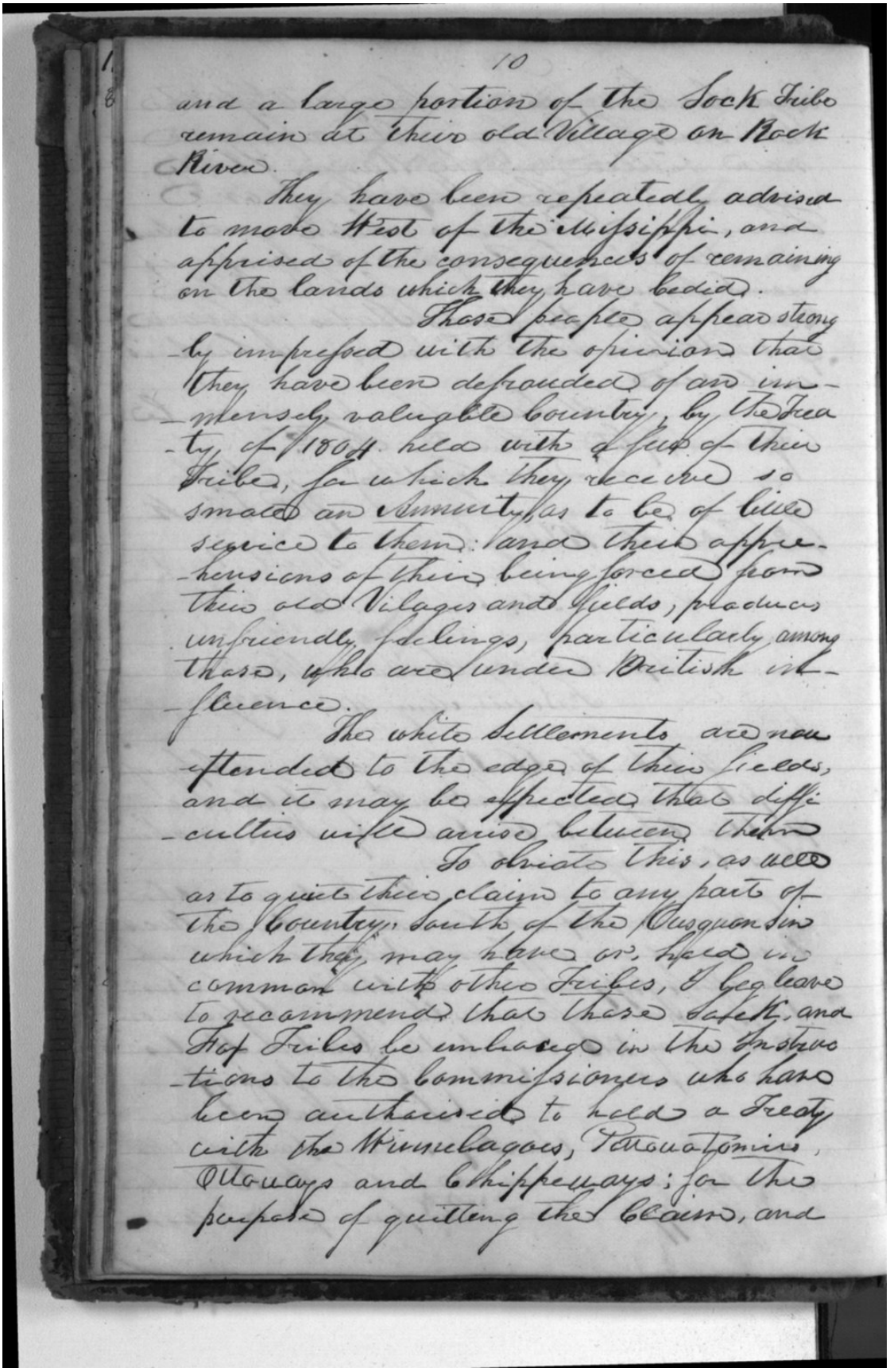
Two thirds of the Shawanoes Annuity for 1819. which is in my hands will be delivered to their Agent



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and by him, paid to that part of the
Shawanees Tribe from Ohio, who are
now settled on the Kanzas River.
The remaining one
Thousand Dollars which you intend
remitting to the Picqua Agency, is
remitted in a draft on the
Bank of the United States in favour
of the Hon. John A. Caldwell which is
inclosed.
I have the honour to be
Your Obt. Humb. Servt.
(Signed) Wm. Clark
Col. Thos. L. McKinney.

Superintendency Indian Affairs
St. Louis May 20th. 1829

Sir,
I take the liberty of enclosing a copy of
a petition from a number of Settlers on
Public Lands to the County of Illenois, which
has been refered to me.
The facts are, the
Sacks and Fox Tribes who reside on Rock
River and in different Villages East of
the Mississippi, did on the 3rd. of Novr.
1804. and confirmed the said Cession on
13th. May 1816. and to the United States,
all their Lands East of the Mississippi.
Since that time
nearly all the Foxes, and part of the
Sacks, have moved to the West of the
Mississippi: Yet, a part of the principal Chiefs



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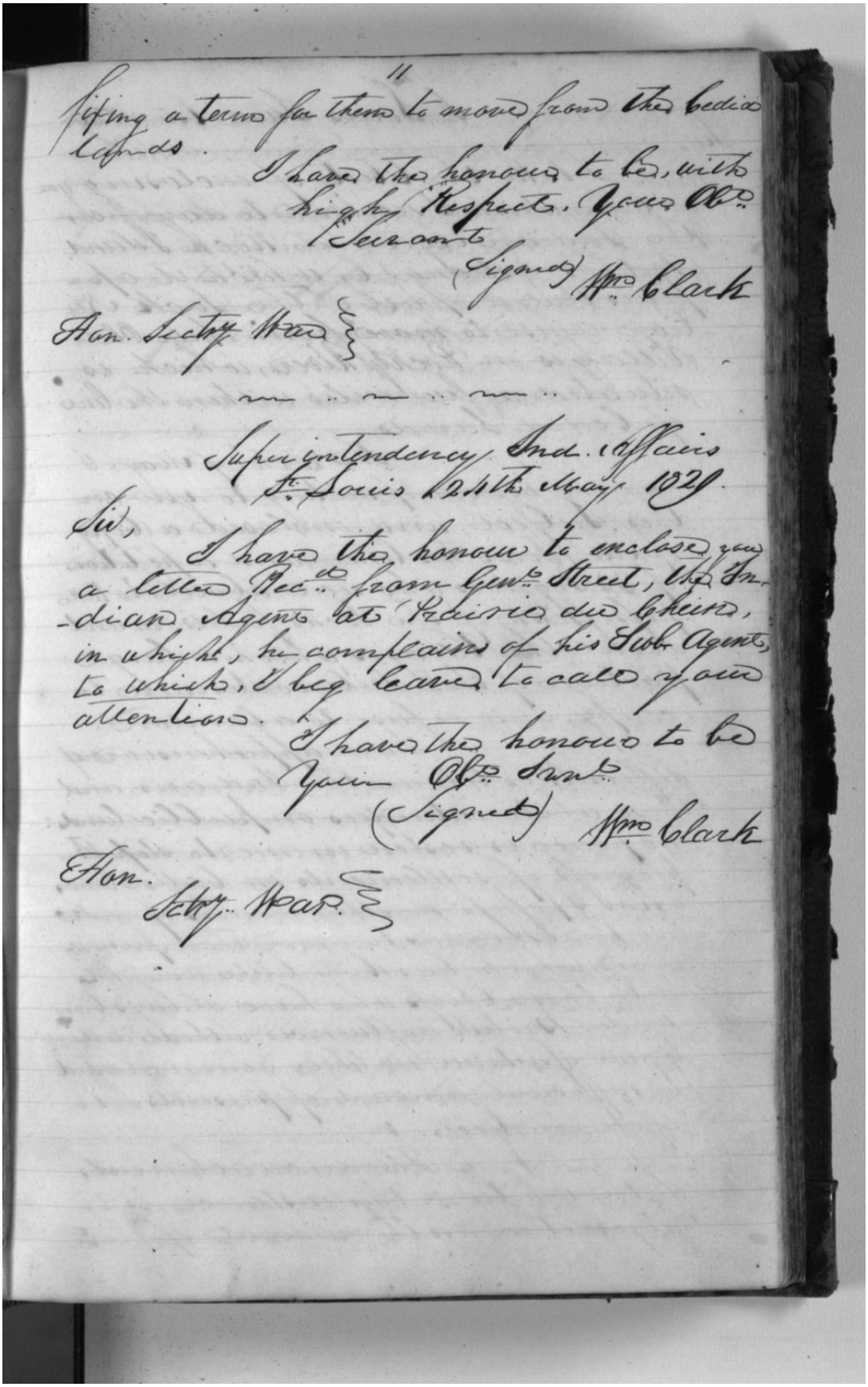
and a large portion of the Sock Tribe remain at their old Village on Rock River.

They have been repeatedly advised to move West of the Mississippi, and apprised of the consequences of remaining on the lands which they have ceded.

These people appear strongly impressed with the opinion that they have been defrauded of an immensely valuable country, by the Treaty of 1804. held with a few of their Tribe, for which they receive so small an Annuity as to be of little service to them: and their apprehensions of their being forced from their old Vilages and fields, produces unfriendly feelings, particularly among those, who are under British influence.

The white Settlements are now extended to the edge of their fields, and it may be expected that difficulties will arise between them.

To obviate this, as well as to quiet their claim to any part of the Country, South of the Ousquonsin which they may have or, held in common with other Tribes, I beg leave to recommend that these Sacs & Fox Tribes be embraced in the Instructions to the Commissioners who have been authorised to hold a Treaty with the Winnebagoes, Pottawatomies, Ottoways and Chippeways; for the purpose of quitting their Claims, and



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fixing a terms for them to move from the Sedia
Lands.

I have the honour to be, with
high Respect, Your Obt.
Servant

(Signed) Wm Clark

Hon. Secty War

Superintendency Ind. Affairs
St. Louis 25th May 1829.

Sir,

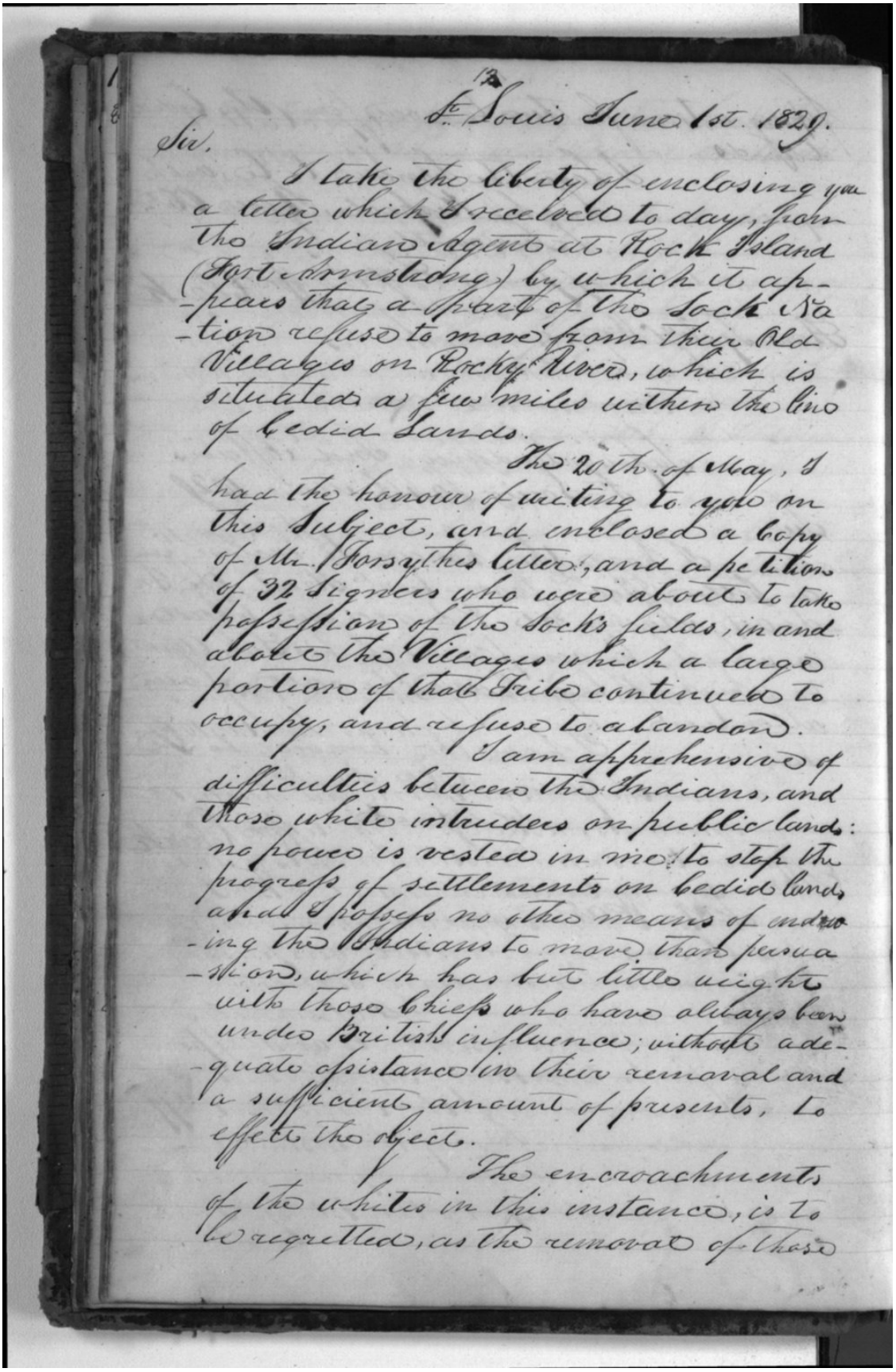
I have the honour to enclose you
a letter Recd from Genl Street, the In-
dian Agent at Prairie du Chien,
in which, he complains of his Sub Agent,
to which, I beg leave to call your
attention.

I have the honour to be
Your Obt Servt

(Signed) Wm Clark

Hon.
Secty War

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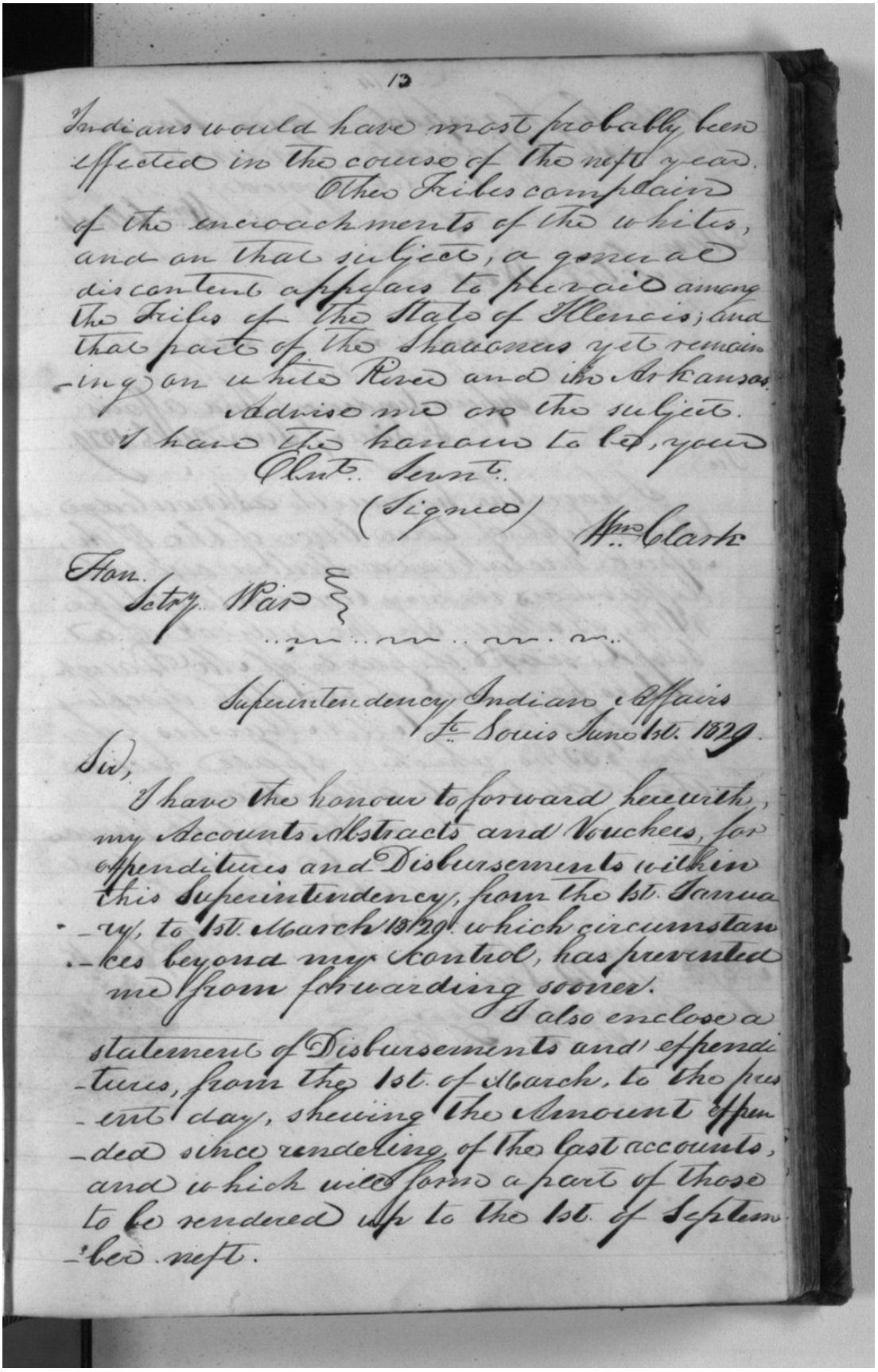
Sir,

I take the liberty of enclosing you a letter which I received to day, from the Indian Agent at Rock Island (Fort Armstrong) by which it appears that a part of the Sock Nation refuse to move from their Old Villages on Rocky River, which is situated a few miles within the line of Cedid Lands.

The 20th. of May, I had the honour of writing to you on this Subject, and enclosed a copy of Mr. Forsythes Letter, and a petition of 32 Signers who were about to take possession of the Sock's fields, in and about the Villages which a large portion of that Tribe continued to occupy, and refuse to abandon.

I am apprehensive of difficulties between the Indians, and those white intruders on public lands: no power is vested in me to stop the progress of settlements on Cedid lands, and I possess no other means of indu-cing the Indians to move than persua-sion, which has but little weight with those Chiefs who have always been under British influence; without ade-quate assistance in their removal and a sufficient amount of presents, to effect the object.

The encroachments of the whites in this instance, is to be regretted, as the removal of those



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Indians would have most probably been effected in the course of the next year.

The Tribes complain of the encroachments of the whites, and on that subject, a general discontent appears to pervaid among the Tribes of the State of Illenois; and that part of the Shawanees yet remaining on white River and the Arkansas.

Advise me on the subject.

I have the honour to be, your Obt. Servt.

(Signed) Wm. Clark

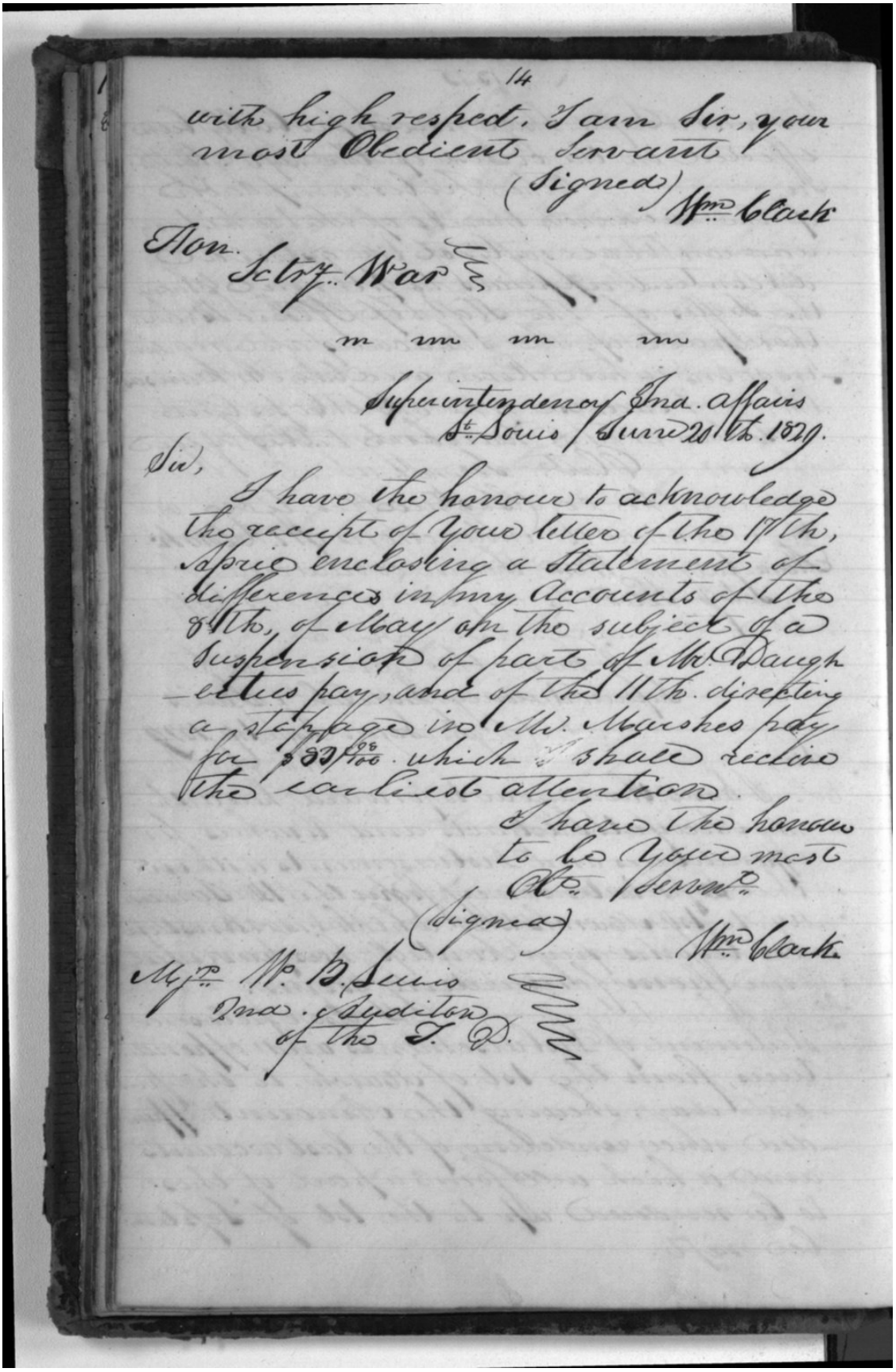
Hon. Secty. War &c

Superintendency Indian Affairs
St. Louis June 1st. 1829.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith, my Accounts Abstracts and Vouchers, for Expenditures and Disbursements within this Superintendency, from the 1st. January, to 1st. March 1829. which circumstances beyond my Control, has prevented me from forwarding sooner.

I also enclose a statement of Disbursements and Expenditures, from the 1st. of March, to the present day, shewing the Amount Expended since rendering of the last accounts, and which will form a part of those to be rendered up to the 1st. of September next.



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with high respect. I am Sir, your most Obedient Servant

(Signed) Wm. Clark

Hon. Sctry. War

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Superintendency Ind. affairs
St. Louis June 25th. 1829.

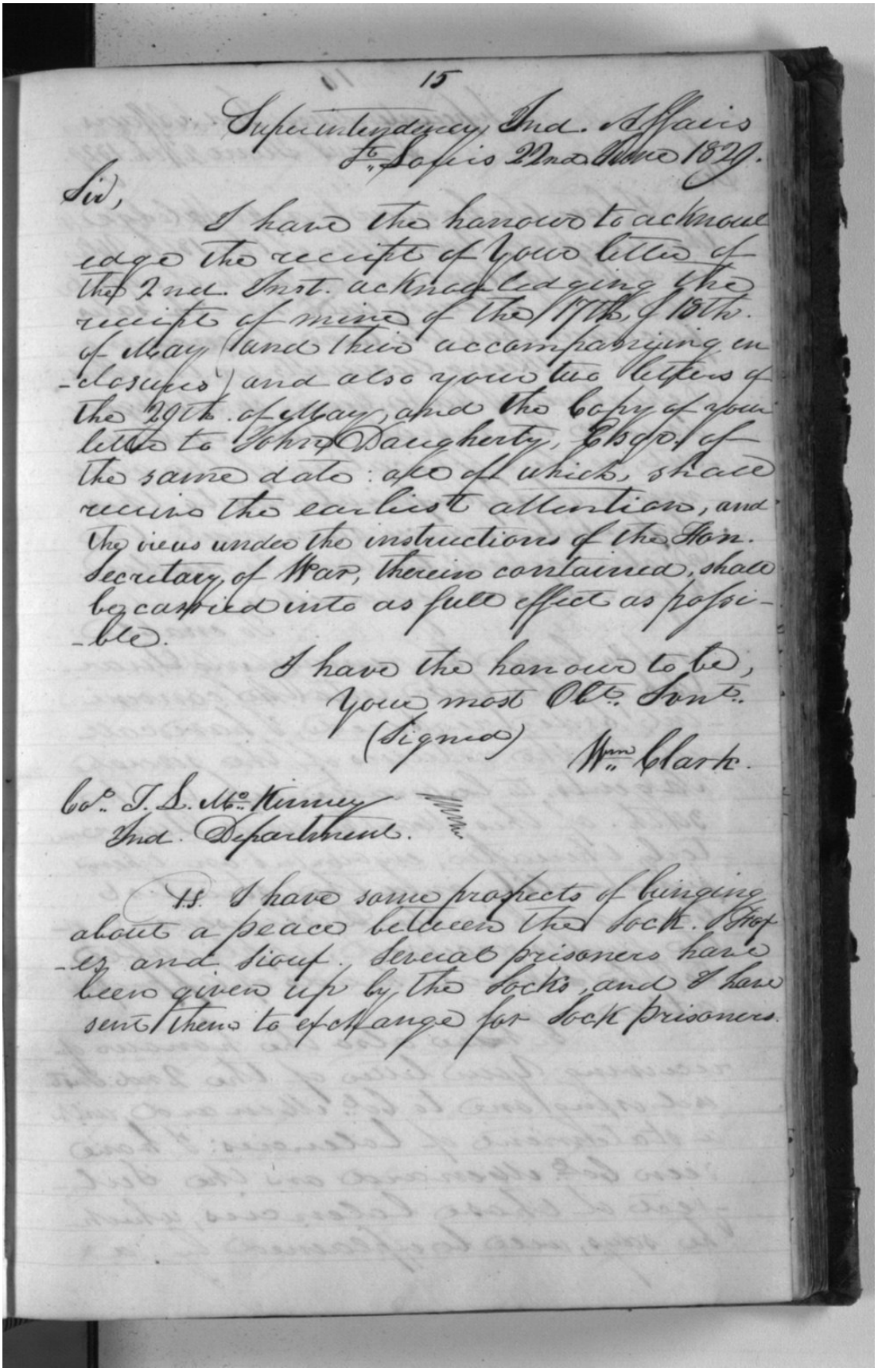
Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 17th. April enclosing a Statement of differences in my Accounts of the 8th. of May on the subject of a suspension of part of Mr. Daughertys pay, and of the 11th. directing a stoppage in Mr. Mayshes pay for $33 100. which I shall recieve the earliest attention.

I have the honour to be your most Ob. Servt.

(Signed) Wm. Clark

Majr. Wm. B. Lewis
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St. Louis 2nd June 1829.

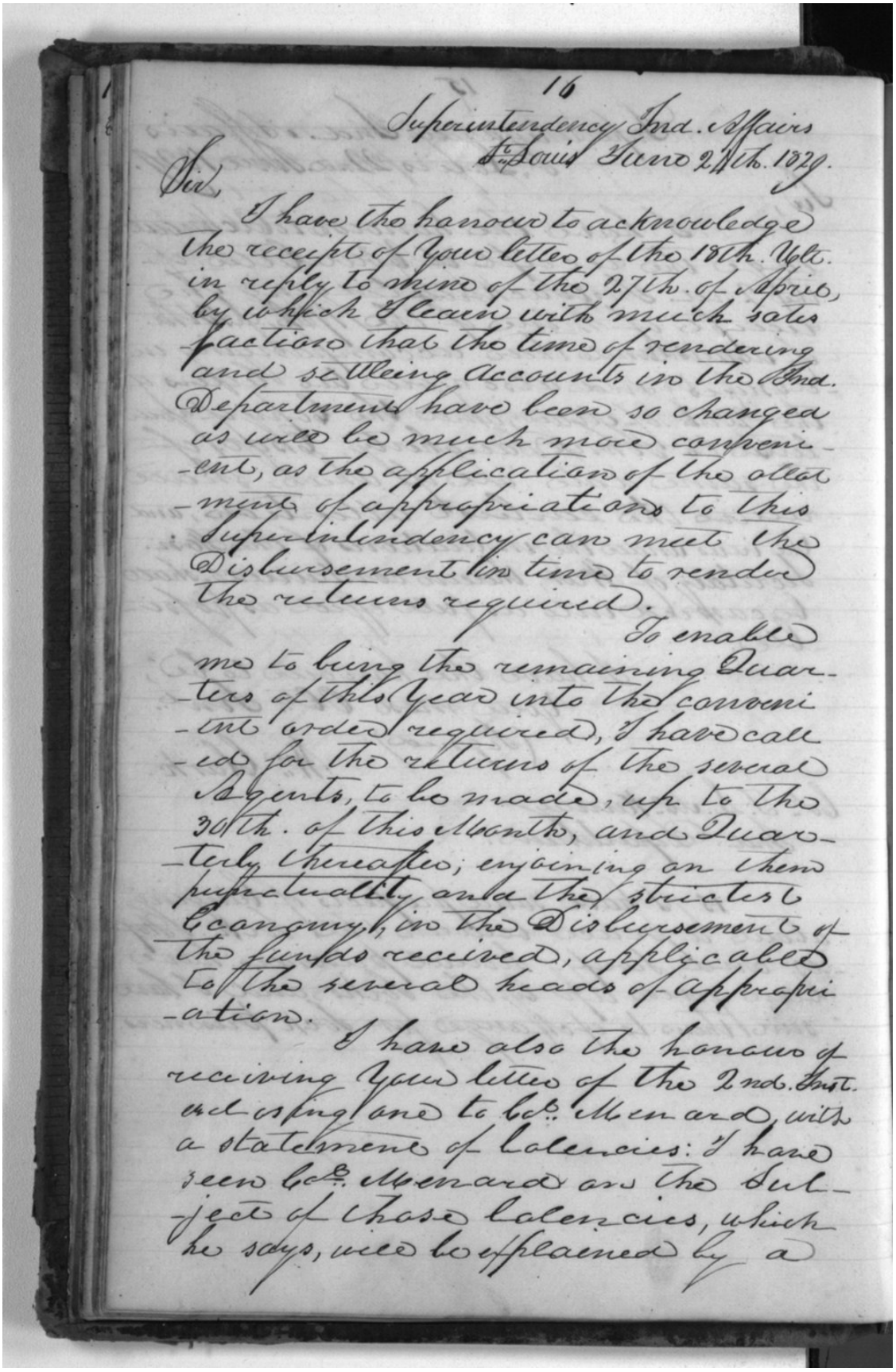
Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 2nd. Inst. acknowledging the receipt of mine of the 17th & 18th. of May (and this accompanying enclosures) and also your two letters of the 29th. of May, and the copy of your letter to John Daugherty, Esqr. of the same date: all of which, shall receive the earliest attention, and thy views under the instructions of the Hon. Secretary of War, therein contained, shall be carried into as full effect as possible.

I have the honour to be,
Your most Obt. Svt.
(Signed) Wm. Clark.

Col. T. S. McKenney
Ind. Department.

P.S. I have some prospects of bringing about a peace between the Sock. Foxes and Sioux. Several prisoners have been given up by the Socks, and I have sent them to exchange for Sock prisoners.



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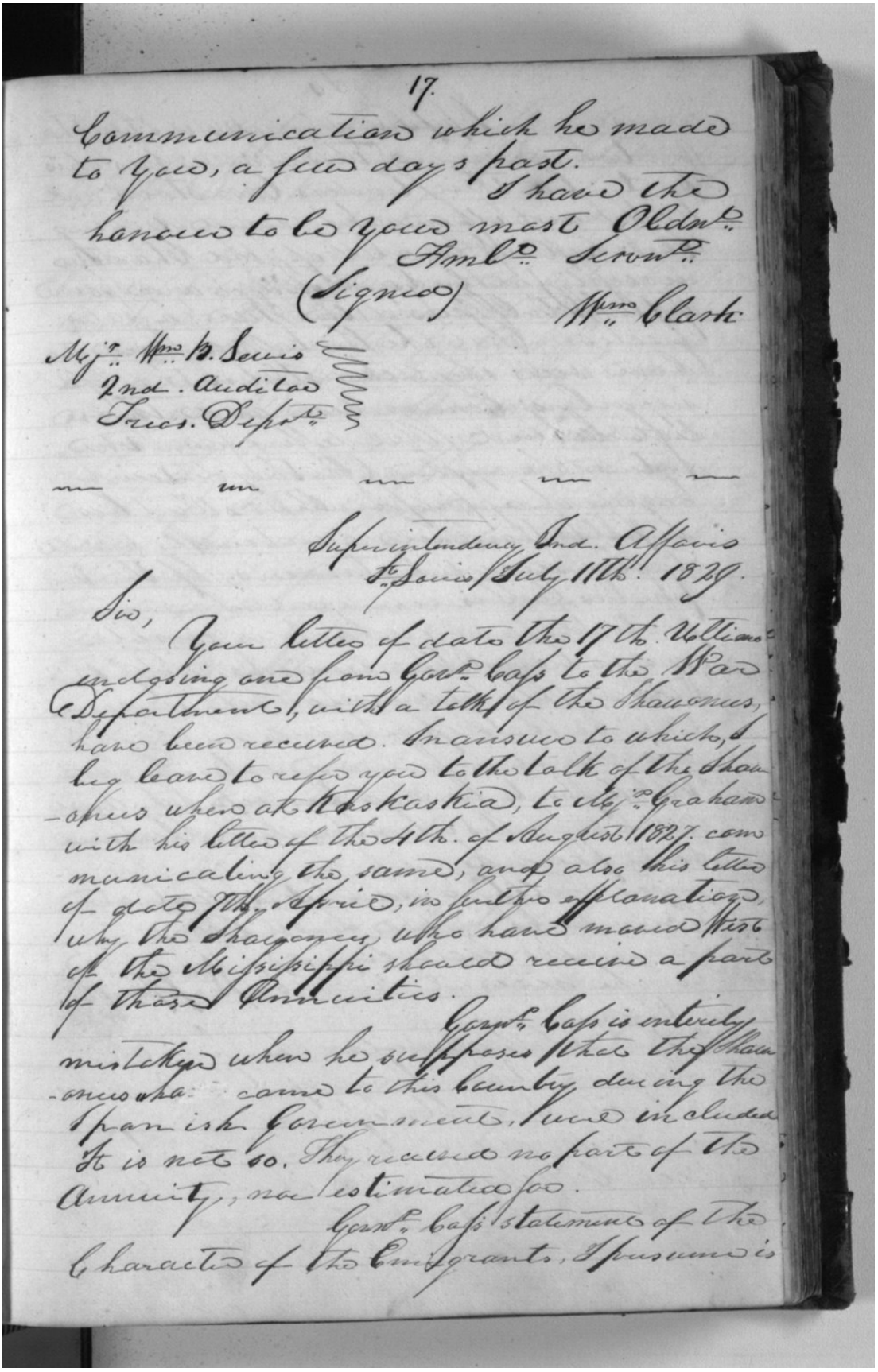
Superintendency Ind. Affairs
St. Louis June 24th. 1859.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 18th. Ult. in reply to mine of the 27th. of April, by which I learn with much satisfaction that the time of rendering and settling accounts in the Ind. Department have been so changed as will be much more convenient, as the application of the allowments of appropriations to this Superintendency can meet the Disbursements in time to render the returns required.

To enable me to bring the remaining Quarters of this Year into the convenient order required, I have called for the returns of the several Agents, to be made up to the 30th. of this Month, and Quarterly thereafter, enjoining on them punctuality and the strictest Economy, in the Disbursement of the funds received, applicable to the several heads of appropriation.

I have also the honour of receiving your letter of the 2nd. Inst. and copy sent to Col. Menard, with a statement of balancies: I have seen Col. Menard on the subject of those balancies, which he says, will be explained by a



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Communication which he made to you, a few days past.

I have the honour to be your most Obdt. Servt.

(Signed) Wm. Clark

Majr. Wm. B. Lewis
2nd. Auditor
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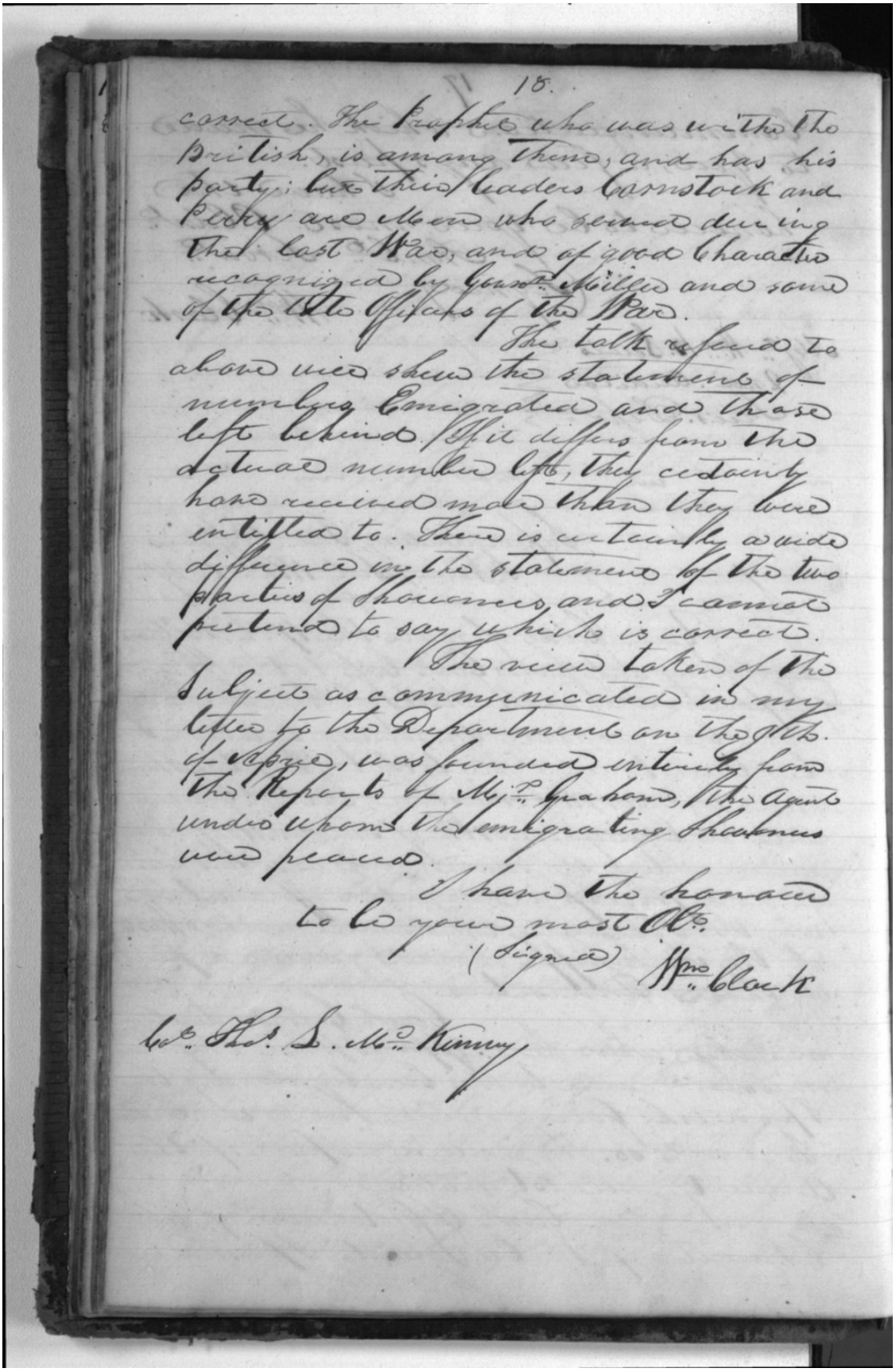
Superintendency Ind. Affairs
St. Louis July 11th. 1829.

Sir,

Your letter of date the 17th. Ultimo enclosing one from Govr. Cass to the War Department, with a talk of the Shawanees, have been received. In answer to which, I beg leave to refer you to the talk of the Shawanees when at Kaskaskia, to Majr. Graham with his letter of the 4th. of August 1827. communicating the same, and also this letter of date 7th. April, in justification, why the Shawanees, who have moved West of the Mississippi should receive a part of these Annuities.

Govr. Cass is entirely mistaken when he supposes that the Shawanees who came to this country during the Spanish Government, were included. It is not so. They received no part of the Annuity, nor estimated for.

Govr. Cass's statement of the Character of the Emigrants, I presume is



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correct. The Prophet who was with the British, is among them, and has his party; but this leaders Cornstock and Perkey are Men who served during the last War, and of good character recognized by Gov.r Miller and some of the Ohio Officers of the War.

The talk referred to above was shewn the statement of numbers Emigrated and those left behind. It differs from the actual number left, that certainly have received more than they were intitled to. There is certainly a wide difference in the statement of the two parties of Shawanees, and I cannot pretend to say which is correct.

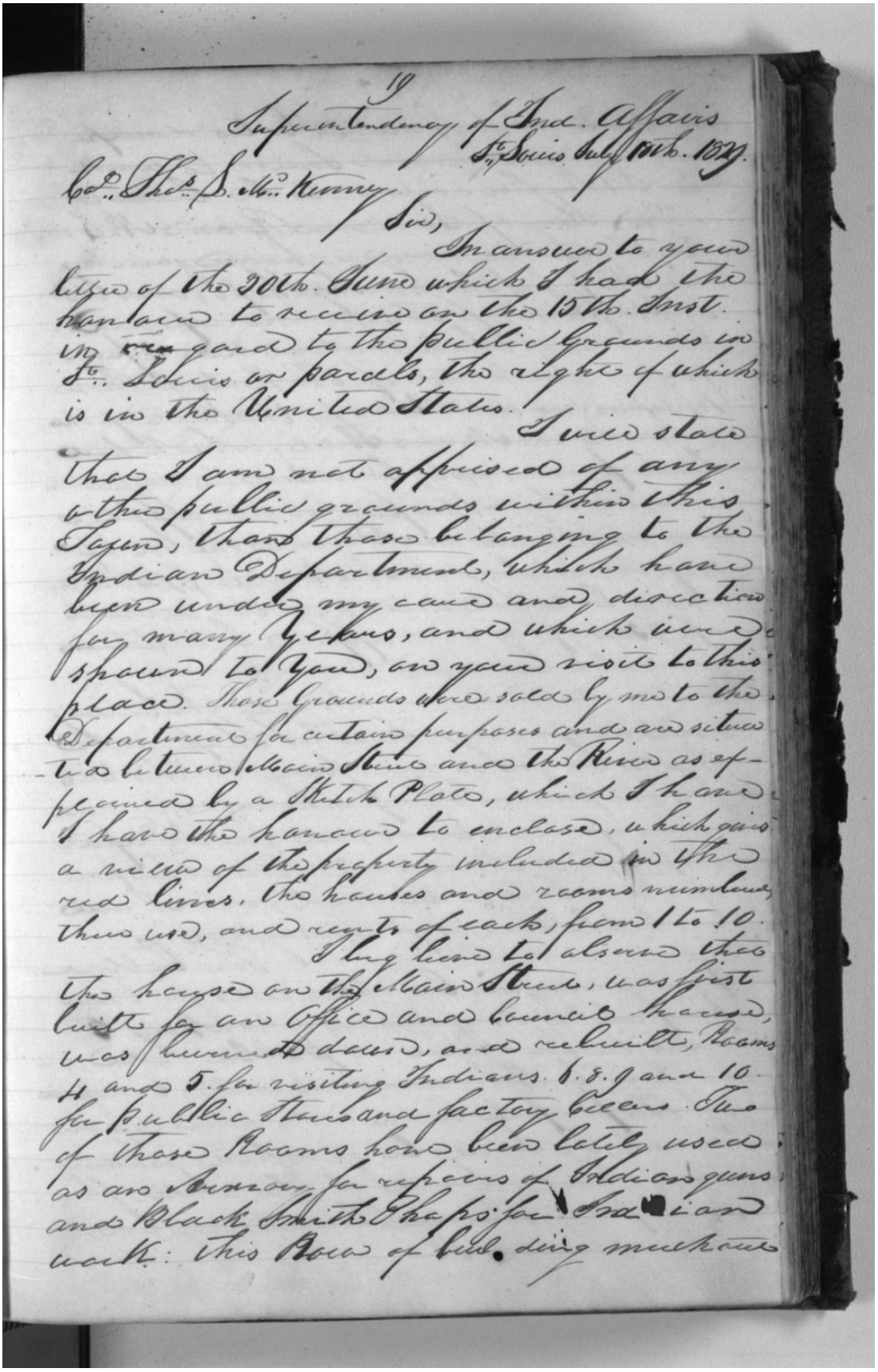
The view taken of the subject as communicated in my letter to the Department on the 9th. of April, was founded entirely from the Reports of Majr. Graham, the Agent under whom the Emigrating Shawanees were placed.

I have the honour to be your most Obt.

(Signed) Wm. Clark

Col. Thos. L. McKenny

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Superintendency of Ind. Affairs
St. Louis July 10th. 1837.

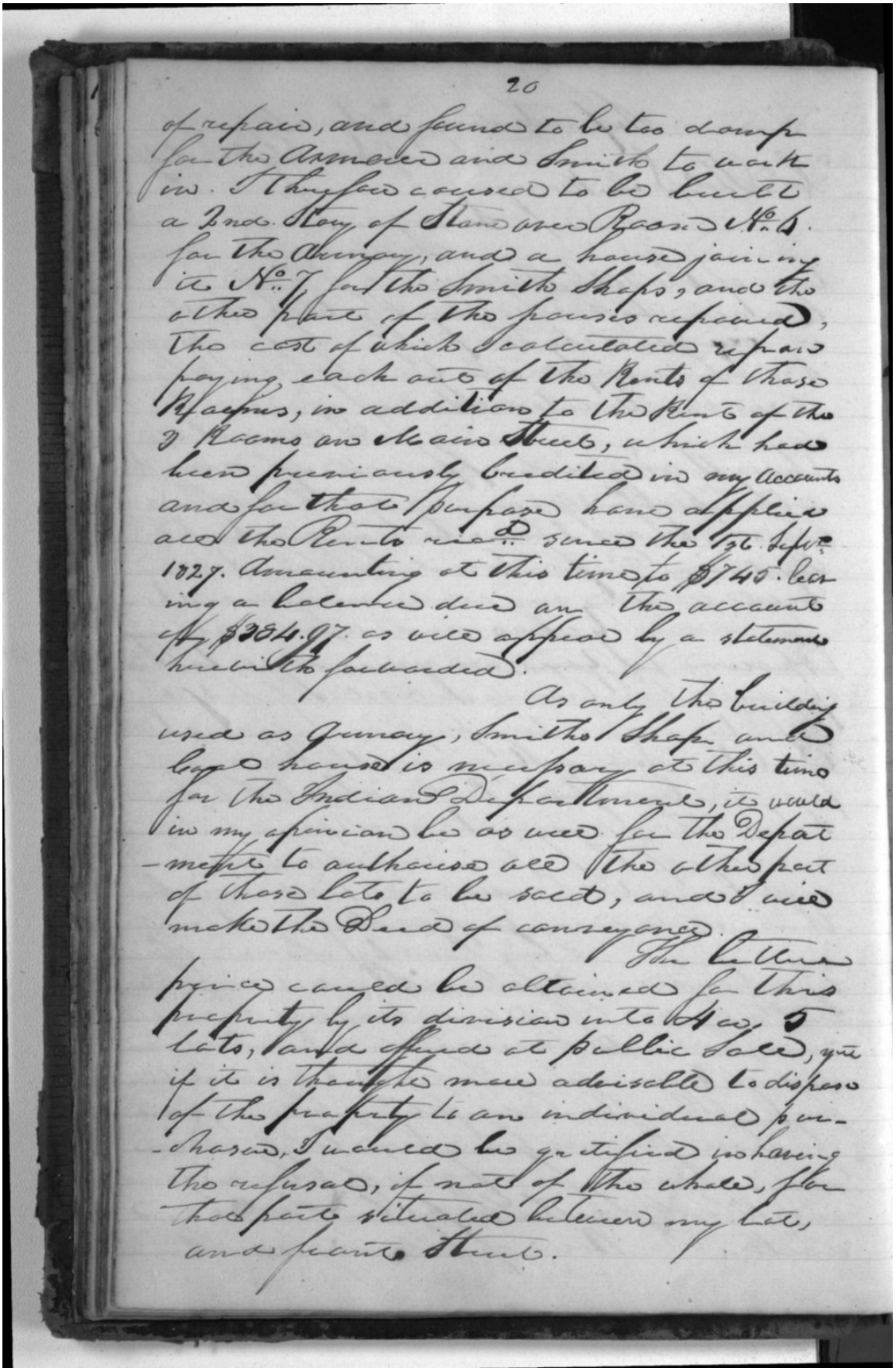
Col. Thos. S. McKenney

Sir,

I have answered to your letter of the 30th. June which I had the honour to receive on the 15th. Inst. in regard to the public Grounds in St. Louis or parcels, the right of which is in the United States.

I will state that I am not apprised of any of the public grounds within this Agency, than those belonging to the Indian Department, which have been under my care and direction for many years, and which were spoken to you, on your visit to this place. Those Grounds were sold by me to the Department for certain purposes and are situated between Main Street and the River as explained by a Sketch Plate, which I have I have the honour to enclose, which gives a view of the property included in the red lines. The houses and rooms numbered thus use, and rents of each, from 1 to 10.

I beg leave to observe that the house on the Main Street, was first built for an Office and Council House, was burned down, and rebuilt, Rooms 4 and 5. for visiting Indians. 8. 9 and 10. for public Stores and factory Rooms. Two of those Rooms have been lately used as an Armory for repairs of Soldiers guns and Black Smiths Shop for Indian work: this Row of building must have

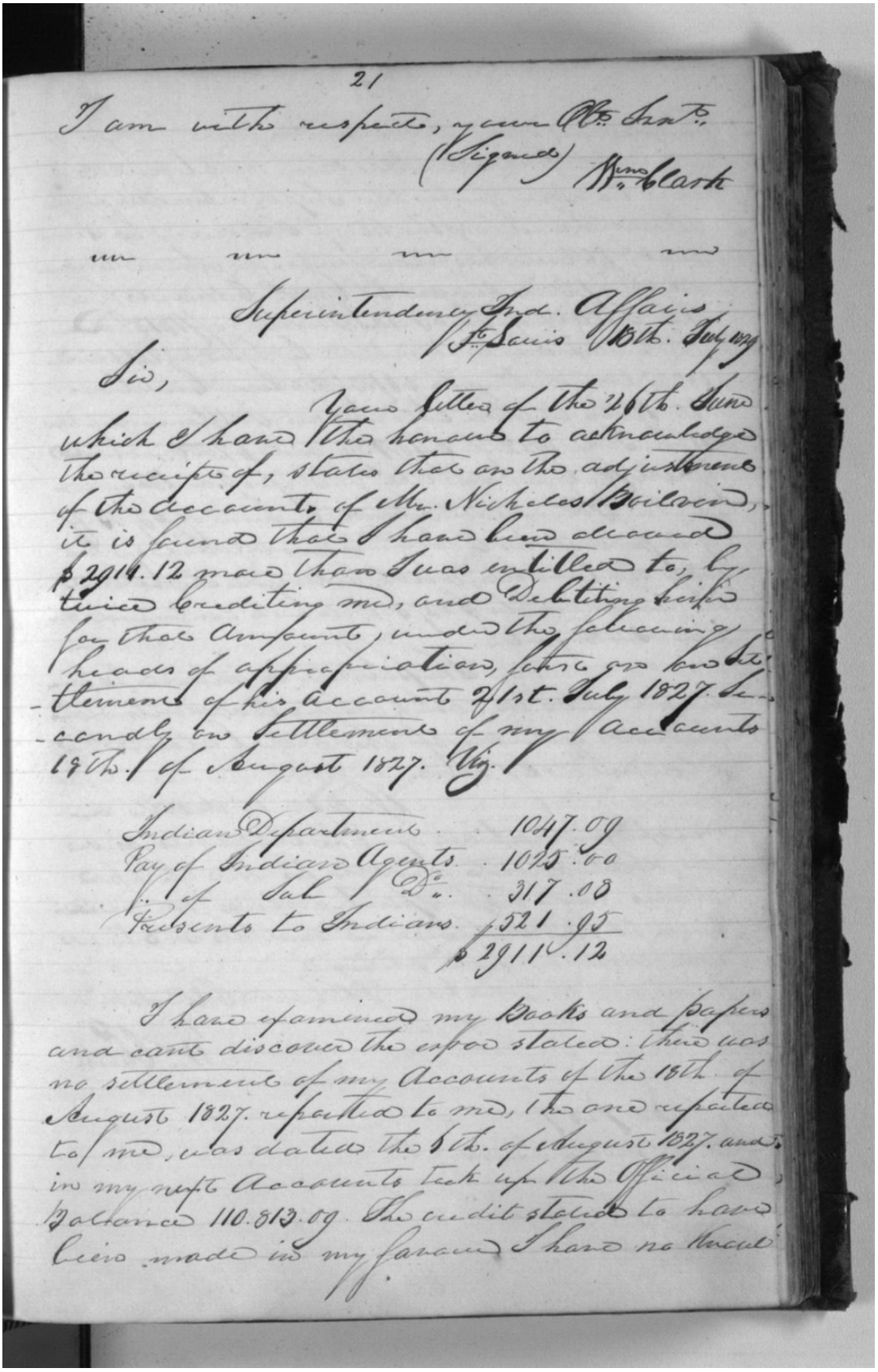


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of repair, and found to be too damp for the Armorer and Smith to work in. I therefore caused to be built a 2nd. Story of Stone over Room No. 5. for the Armory, and a house joining it No. 7 for the Smith Shops, and the other part of the house repaired, the cost of which I calculated to repay, paying, each out of the Rents of those Houses, in addition to the Rents of the 2 Rooms and Main Store, which had been previously credited in my Accounts and for that purpose have applied all the Rents received since the 1st. Sept. 1827. Amounting at this time to $745. leaving a balance due on the accounts of $384.97 as will appear by a statement herewith forwarded.

As only the building used as Armory, Smiths Shop and Log House is necessary at this time for the Indian Department, it would in my opinion be advised for the Department to authorise all the other part of those lots to be sold, and I will make the Deed of conveyance.

The better price could be obtained for this property by its division into 4 or 5 lots, and offered at Public Sale, but if it is thought most advisable to dispose of the property to an individual purchaser, I should be gratified in having the refusal, if not of the whole, for that part situated between my lot, and Front Street.



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I am with respect, your Obt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm. Clark

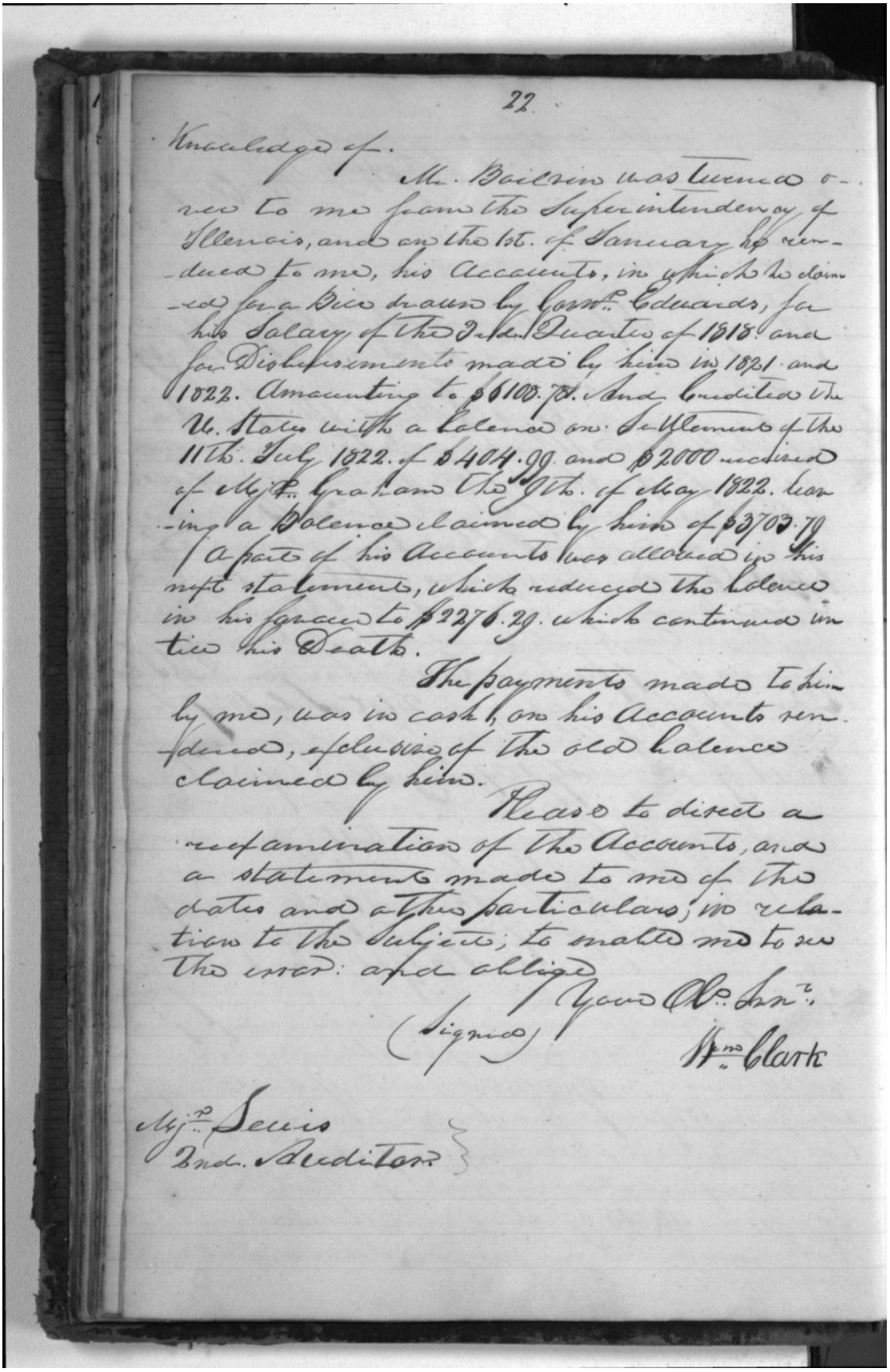
Superintendency Ind. Affairs
St. Louis 18th. July 1827

Sir,

Your Letter of the 16th. June which I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of, states that on the adjustment of the accounts of Mr. Nicholas Boilvin, it is found that I have been allowed $2914.12 more than I was entitled to, by twice crediting me, and debiting him for that Amount, under the following heads of appropriation, prior to the settlement of his account 21st. July 1827. Secondly on settlement of my Accounts 18th. of August 1827. Viz.

Indian Department	1047.09
Pay of Indian Agents	1075.00
Sal. Do.	317.08
Presents to Indians	521.95
	$2911.12

I have examined my Books and Papers and cant discover the error stated: there was no settlement of my Accounts of the 18th. of August 1827. reported to me, the one reported to me, was dated the 8th. of August 1827. and in my next Accounts took up the Official Ballance 110.813.09. The credit stated to have been made in my favour I have no knowledge



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knowledge of.

Mr. Bailey was turned over to me from the Superintendency of Illinois, and on the 1st. of January he rendered to me, his Accounts, in which he claimed for a Bill drawn by Govr. Edwards, for his Salary of the 3d. Qr. of 1818 and for Disbursements made by him in 1821 and 1822. Amounting to $610.75. And credited the U. States with a balance on Settlement of the 11th. July 1822. of $404.99 and $2000 received of Majr. Graham the 9th. of May 1822. leaving a Balance claimed by him of $3703.79 A part of his Accounts was allowed in his next statement, which reduced the balance in his favour to $2276.29. which continued until his Death.

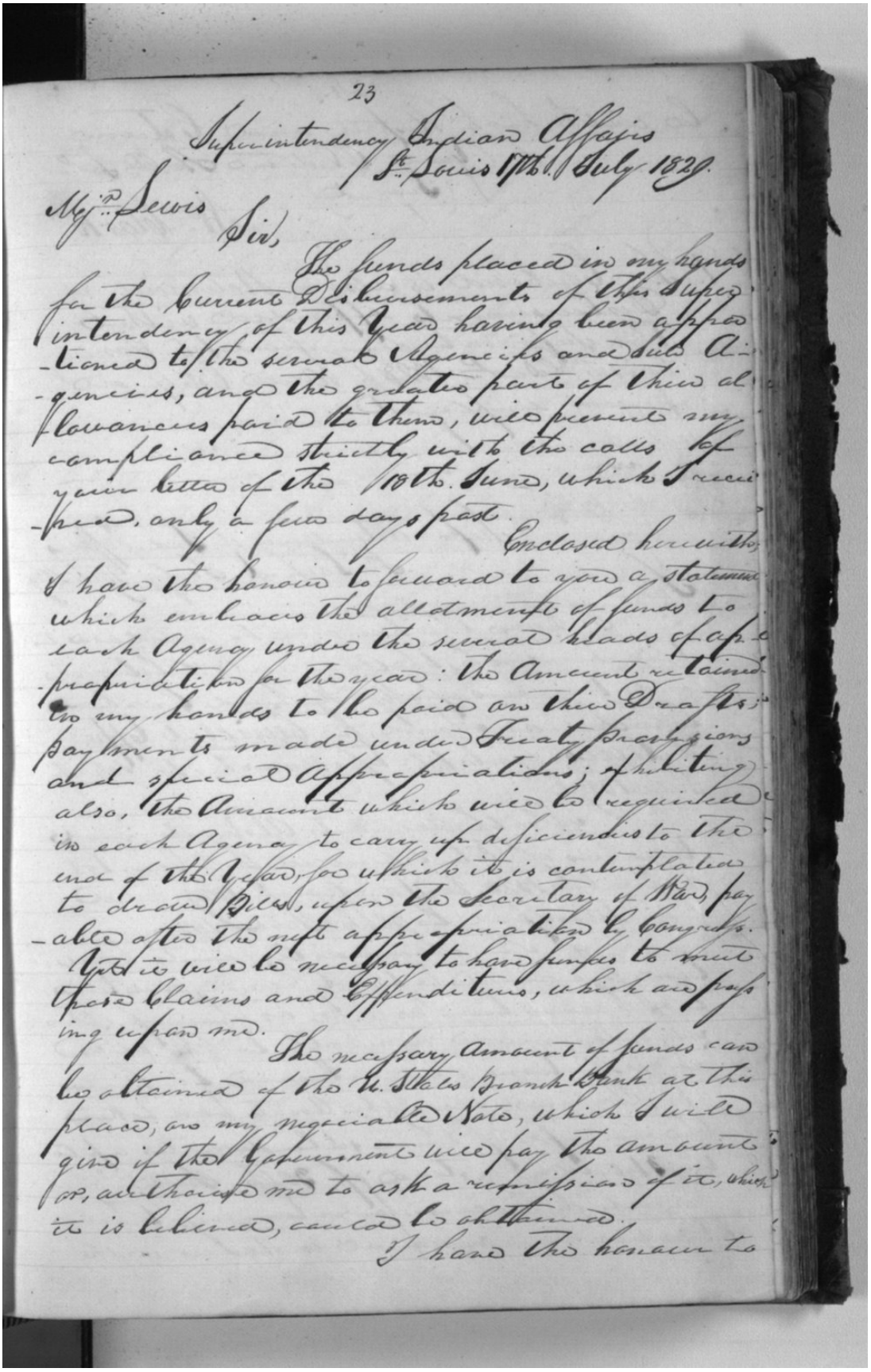
The payments made to him by me, was in cash, on his Accounts rendered, exclusive of the old balance claimed by him.

Pleas to direct a reexamination of the Accounts, and a statement made to me of the dates and all the particulars, in relation to the subject; to enable me to see the error: and oblige

Your Obt. Servt.

(Signed) Wm. Clark

Majr. Lewis
2nd. Auditor



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Superintendency Indian Affairs
St. Louis 17th. July 1829.

Mg.r. Lewis

Sir,

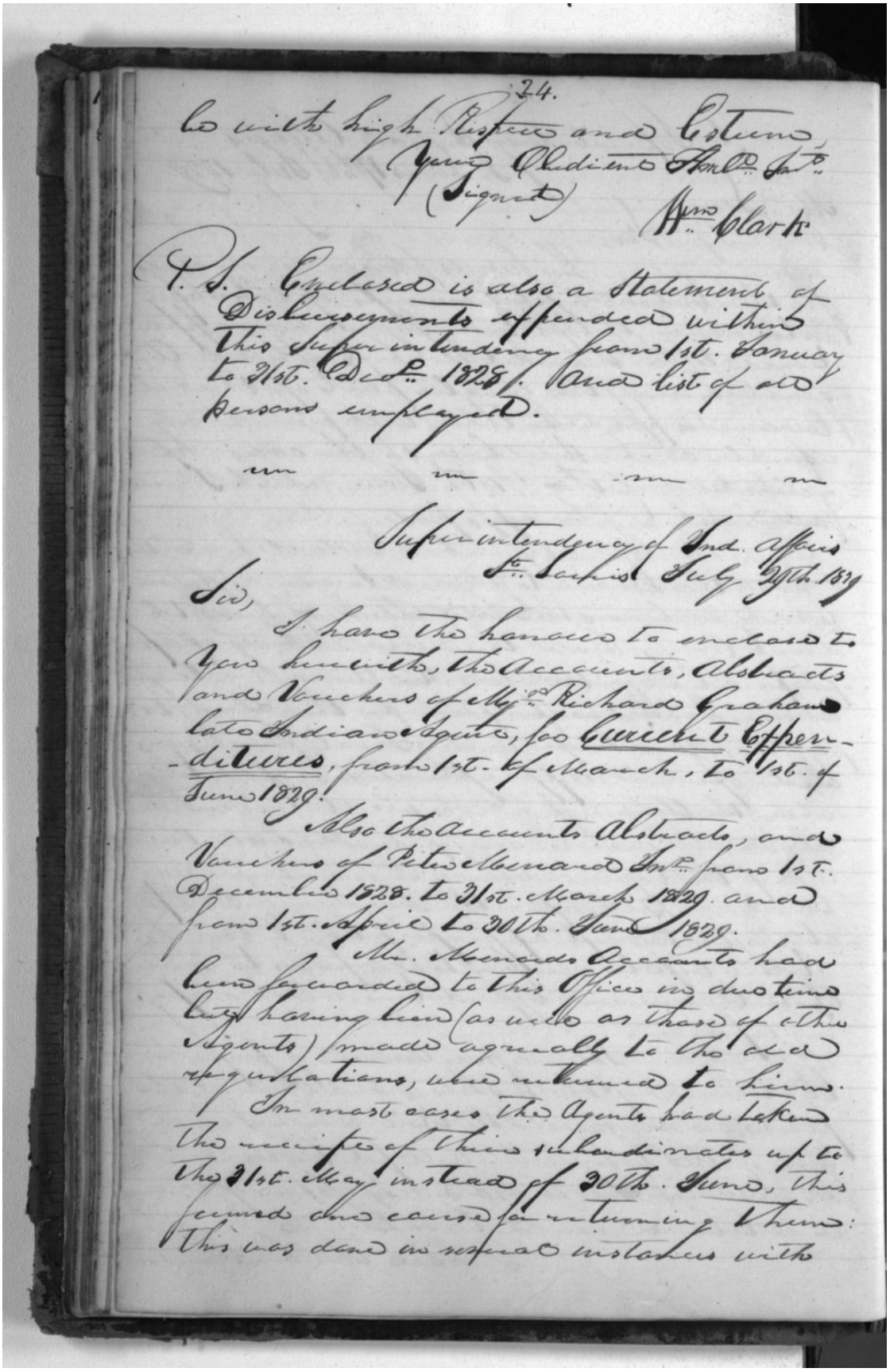
The funds placed in my hands for the current Disbursements of this Superintendency of this year having been appropriated to the several Agencies and Sub Agencies, and the greater part of their allowances paid to them, will prevent my compliance strictly with the calls of your letter of the 10th. June, which I received, only a few days past.

Enclosed herewith I have the honour to forward to you a statement which embraces the allotments of funds to each Agency under the several heads of appropriations for the year: the Amount retained in my hands to be paid on their Drafts; payments made under Treaty stipulations and special Appropriations; exhibiting also, the Amount which will be required in each Agency to carry up deficiencies to the end of the year, for which it is contemplated to draw Bills, upon the Secretary of War, payable after the next appropriation by Congress.

Yet it will be necessary to have funds to meet those claims and Expenditures, which are pressing upon me.

The necessary Amount of funds can be obtained of the U. States Branch Bank at this place, on my negociable Note, which I will give if the Government will pay the amount or, am I to be authorized me to ask a remission of it, which it is believed, can be obtained.

I have the honour to



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to with high Respect and Esteem,
Your Obedient Servt. Jas.
(Signed) Wm. Clark

P. S. Enclosed is also a Statement of Disbursements effected within this Superintendency from 1st. January to 31st. Decr. 1828. and list of all persons employed.

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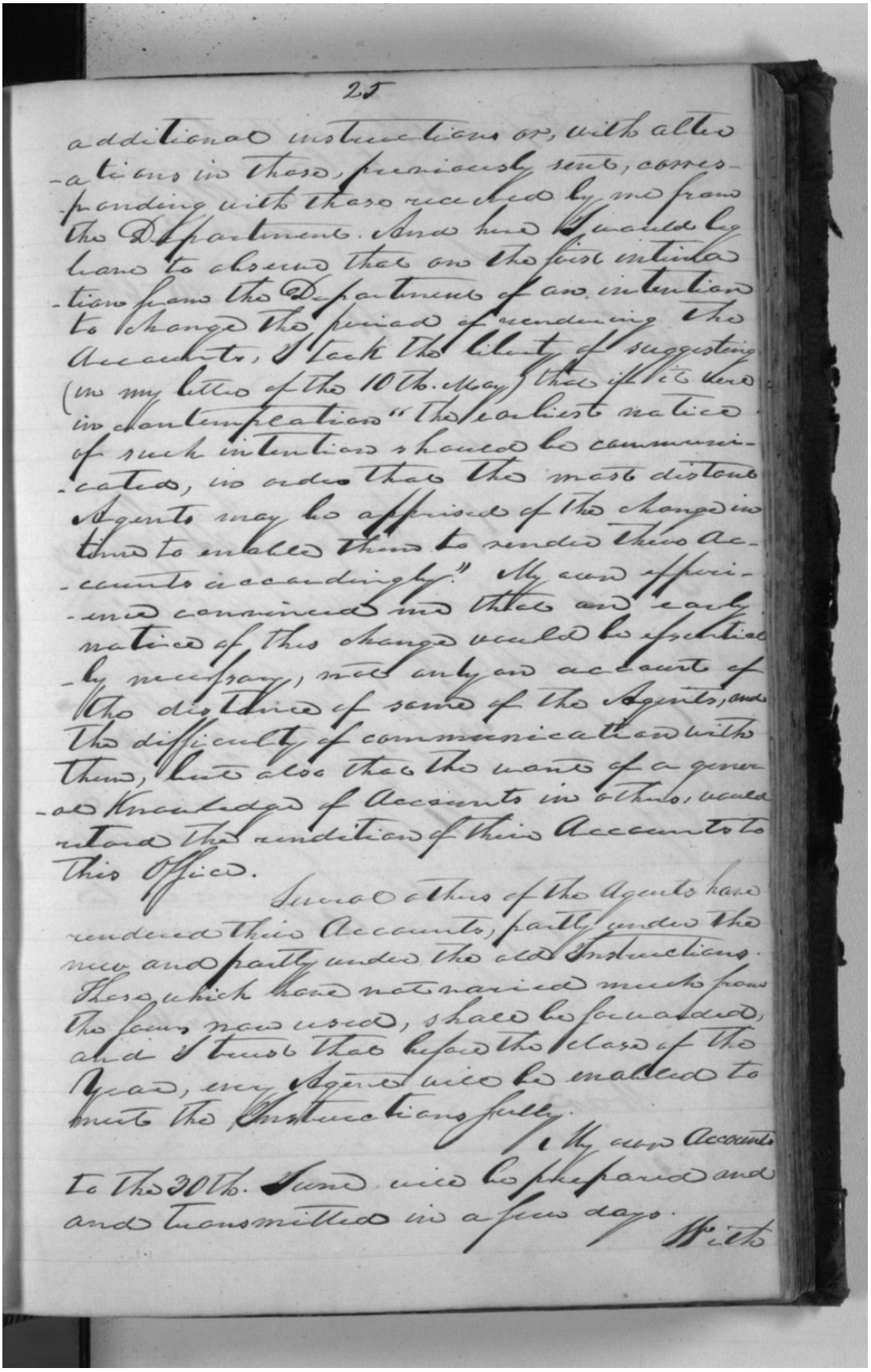
Sir,

I have the honour to enclose to you herewith, the Accounts, Abstracts and Vouchers of Majr. Richard Graham late Indian Agent, for Current Expenditures, from 1st. of March, to 1st. of June 1829.

Also the Accounts Abstracts, and Vouchers of Peter Menard Esqr. from 1st. December 1828. to 31st. March 1829. and from 1st. April to 30th. June 1829.

Mr. Menards Accounts had been forwarded to this Office in due time but having been (as usual as those of other Agents) made agreeably to the old regulations, were returned to him.

In most cases the Agents had taken the receipts of their subordinates up to the 31st. May instead of 30th. June, this caused the return of them: This was done in several instances with



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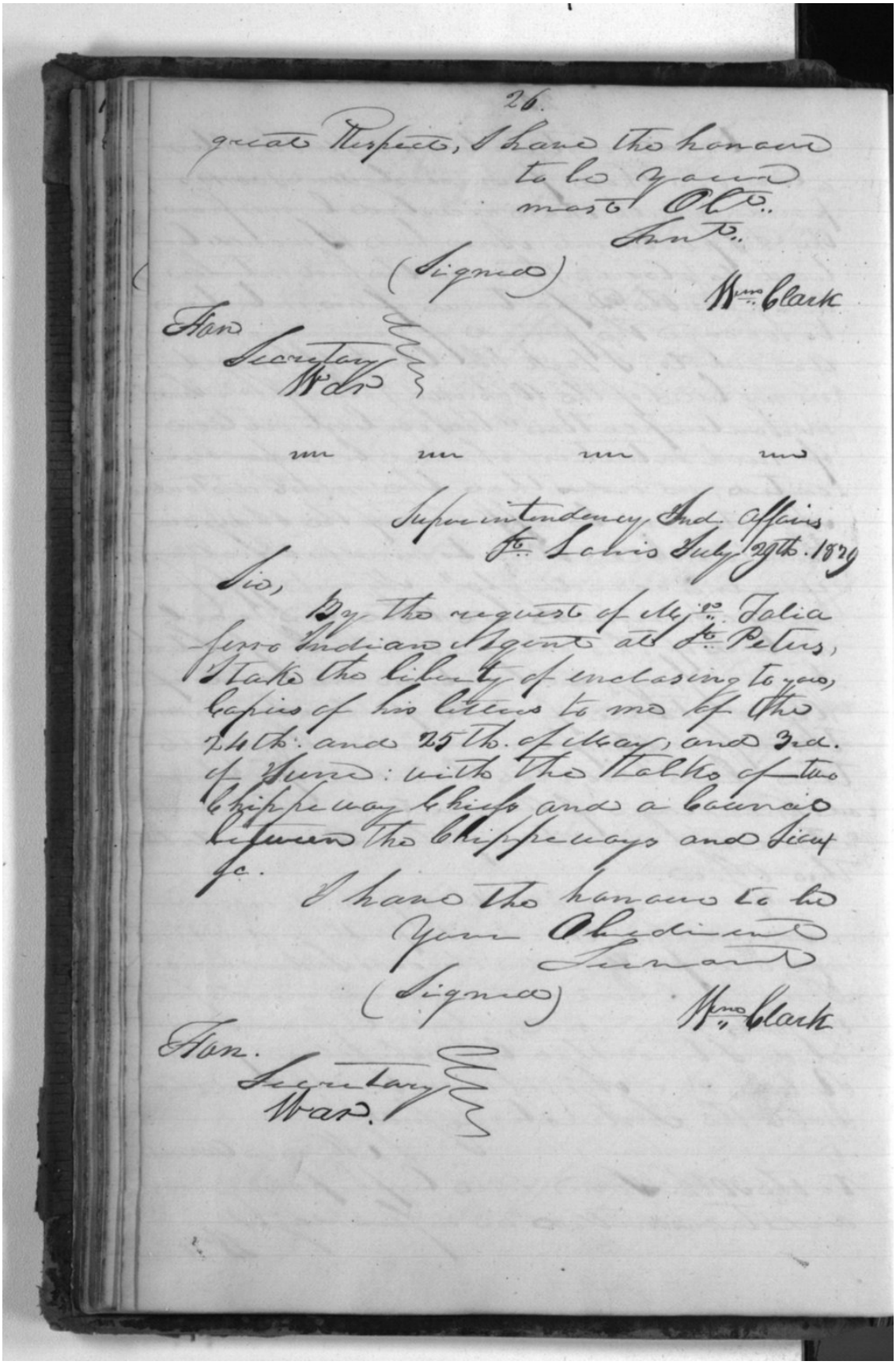
additional instructions or, with alter-
-ations in those, previously sent, corres-
-ponding with those received by me from
the Department. And I would be
loath to observe that on the first intima-
-tion from the Department of an intention
to change the period of rendering the
Accounts, I lack the client of suggesting
(in my letter of the 10th. May) that if it were
in contemplation "the earliest notice
of such intention should be communi-
-cated, in order that the most distant
Agents may be apprised of the change in
time to enable them to render their Ac-
-counts accordingly." My own experi-
-ence convinced me that an early
notice of this change would be specially
-ly necessary, not only on account of
the distance of some of the Agents, and
the difficulty of communication with
them, but also that the want of a gener-
-al knowledge of Accounts in others, would
retard the rendition of their Accounts to
this Office.

Some of the Agents have
rendered their Accounts, partly under the
new and partly under the old Instructions.
Those which have not varied much from
the forms now used, shall be forwarded,
and I trust that before the close of the
year, every Agent will be enabled to
meet the Instructions fully.

My own Accounts
to the 30th. June will be prepared and
and transmitted in a few days.

With

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great Respects, I have the honour
to be your
most Obt.
Servt.

(Signed) Wm. Clark

Hon
Secretary
War

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St. Louis July 29th. 1829

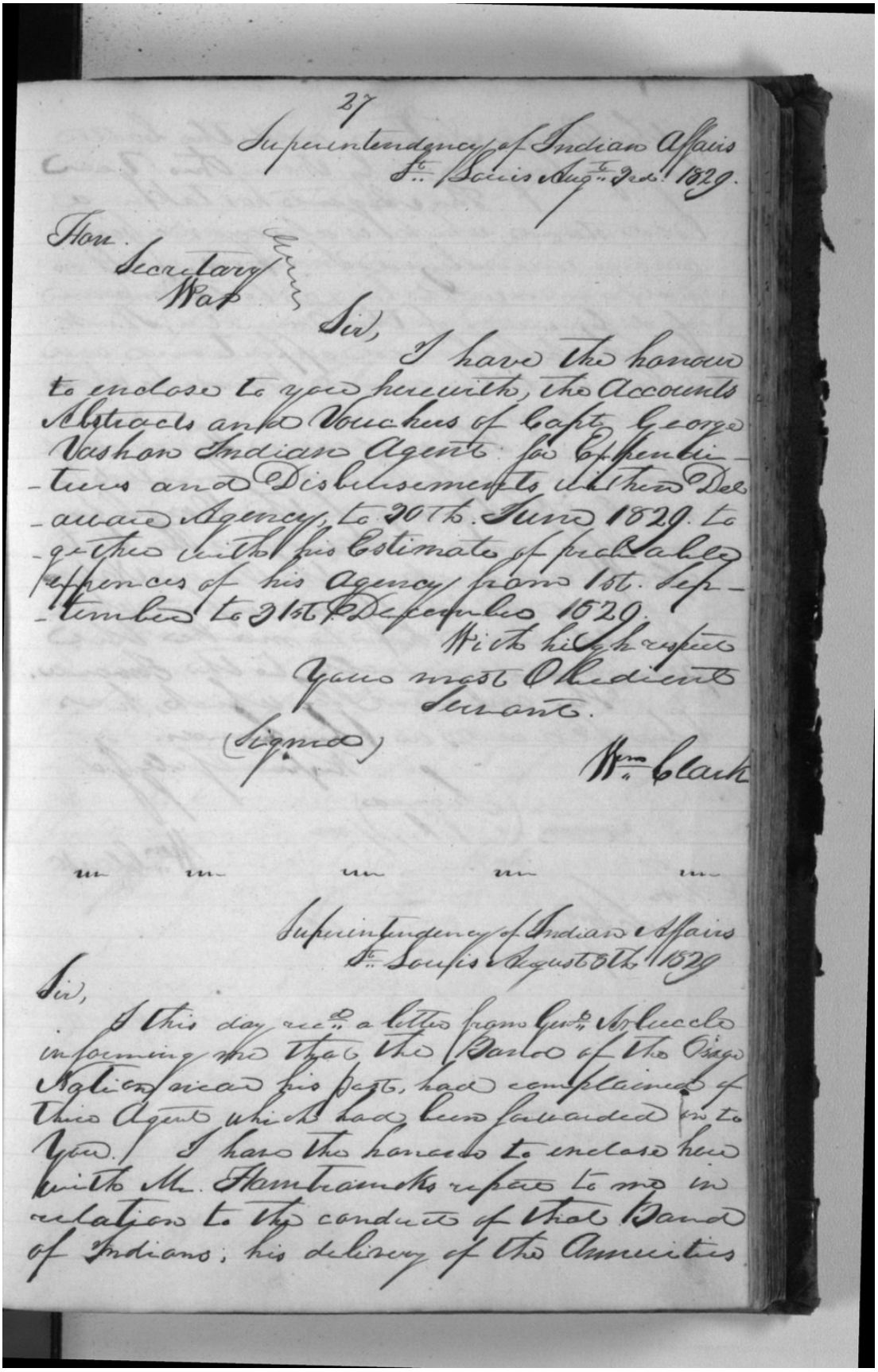
Sir,

By the request of Mr. Talia
Sioux Indian Agent at St. Peters,
I take the liberty of inclosing to you,
Copies of his Letters to me of the
24th. and 25th. of May, and 3rd.
of June: with the Talks of two
Chippeway Chiefs and a Council
between the Chippeways and Sioux
&c.

I have the honour to be
Your Obedient
Servant

(Signed) Wm. Clark

Hon.
Secretary
War.



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Superintendency of Indian Affairs
St. Louis Augt. 2nd. 1829.

Hon.
Secretary
War

Sir,

I have the honour to enclose to you herewith, the Accounts Abstracts and Vouchers of Capt. George Vashon Indian Agent for Expenditures and Disbursements at the Dela-ware Agency, to 30th. June 1829. To-gether with his Estimate of probable expences of his Agency from 1st. Sep-tember to 31st. December 1829.

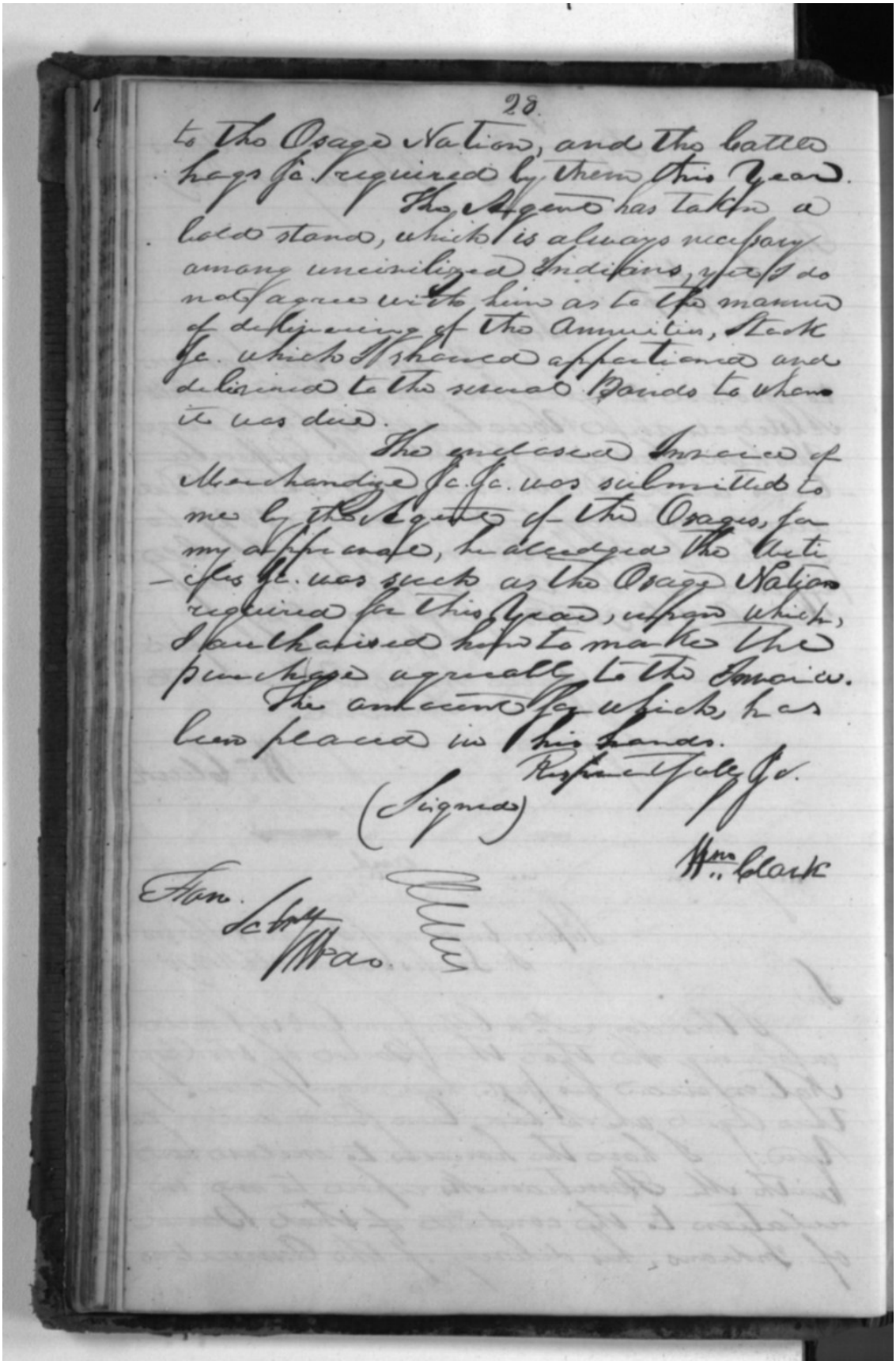
With high respect
Your most Obedient
Servant.

(Signed) Wm. Clark

Superintendency of Indian Affairs
St. Louis August 5th 1829

Sir,

I this day recd. a letter from Gov. Miller informing me that the Band of the Osage Nation of which he had complained of this Agent who I had been forwarded on to you. I have the honour to enclose him with Mr. Hamtramck's report to me in relation to the conduct of that Band of Indians; his delivery of the Annuities



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to the Osage Nation, and the battle hags &c required by them this Year.

The Agent has taken a bold stand, which is always necessary among uncivilized Indians, & I do not agree with him as to the manner of delivering of the Annuities, Stock &c. which I shall explain and delineate to the several Bands to whom it was due.

The enclosed Invoice of Merchandize &c. &c. was submitted to me by the Agent of the Osages, for my approval, he alledged the articles &c. was such as the Osage Nation required for this Year, upon which, I authorised him to make the purchase agreeably to the Invoice.

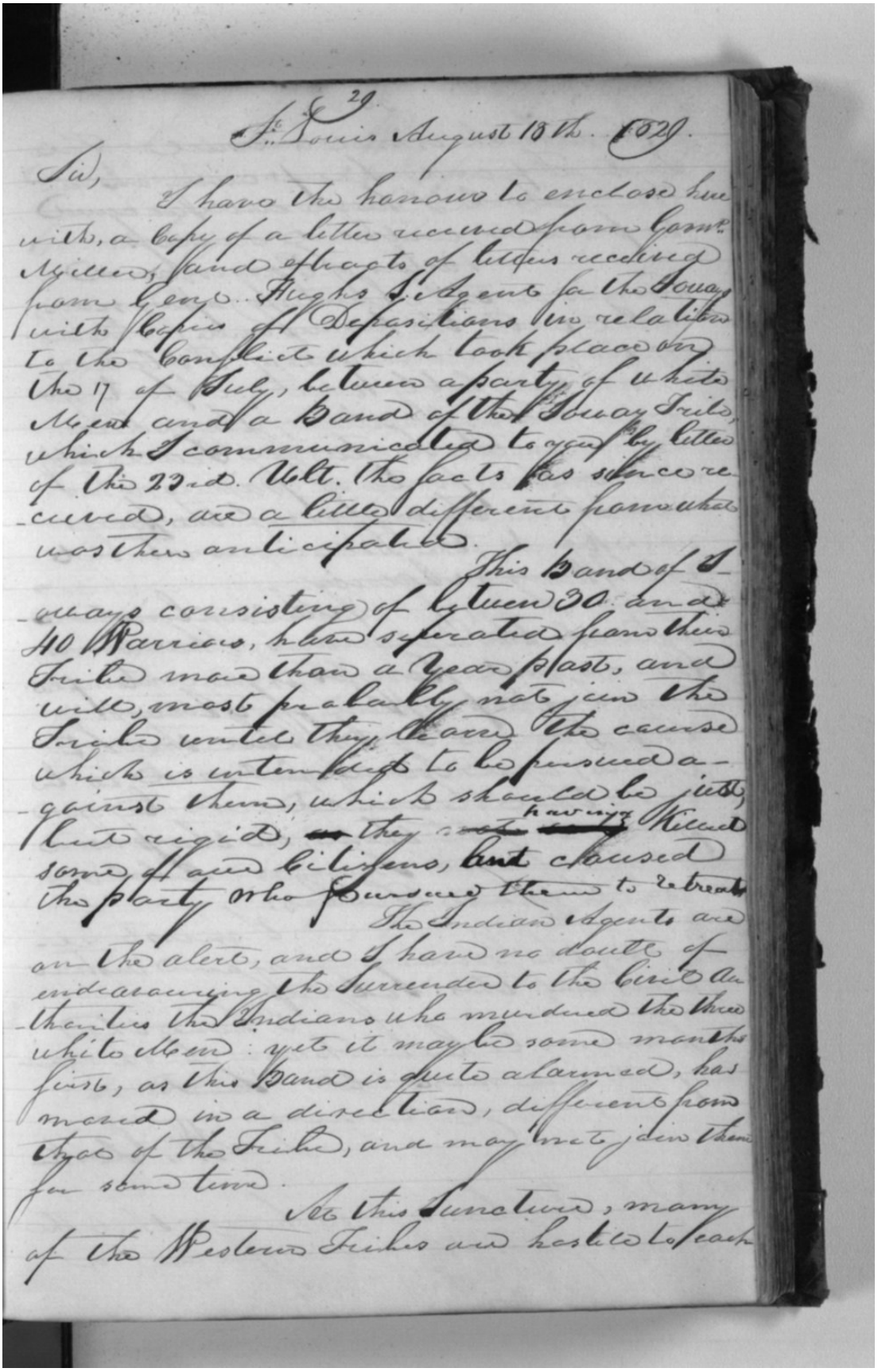
The amount for which, has been placed in his hands.

Respectfully &c.

(Signed)

Wm. Clark

Hon. Sec'y War.



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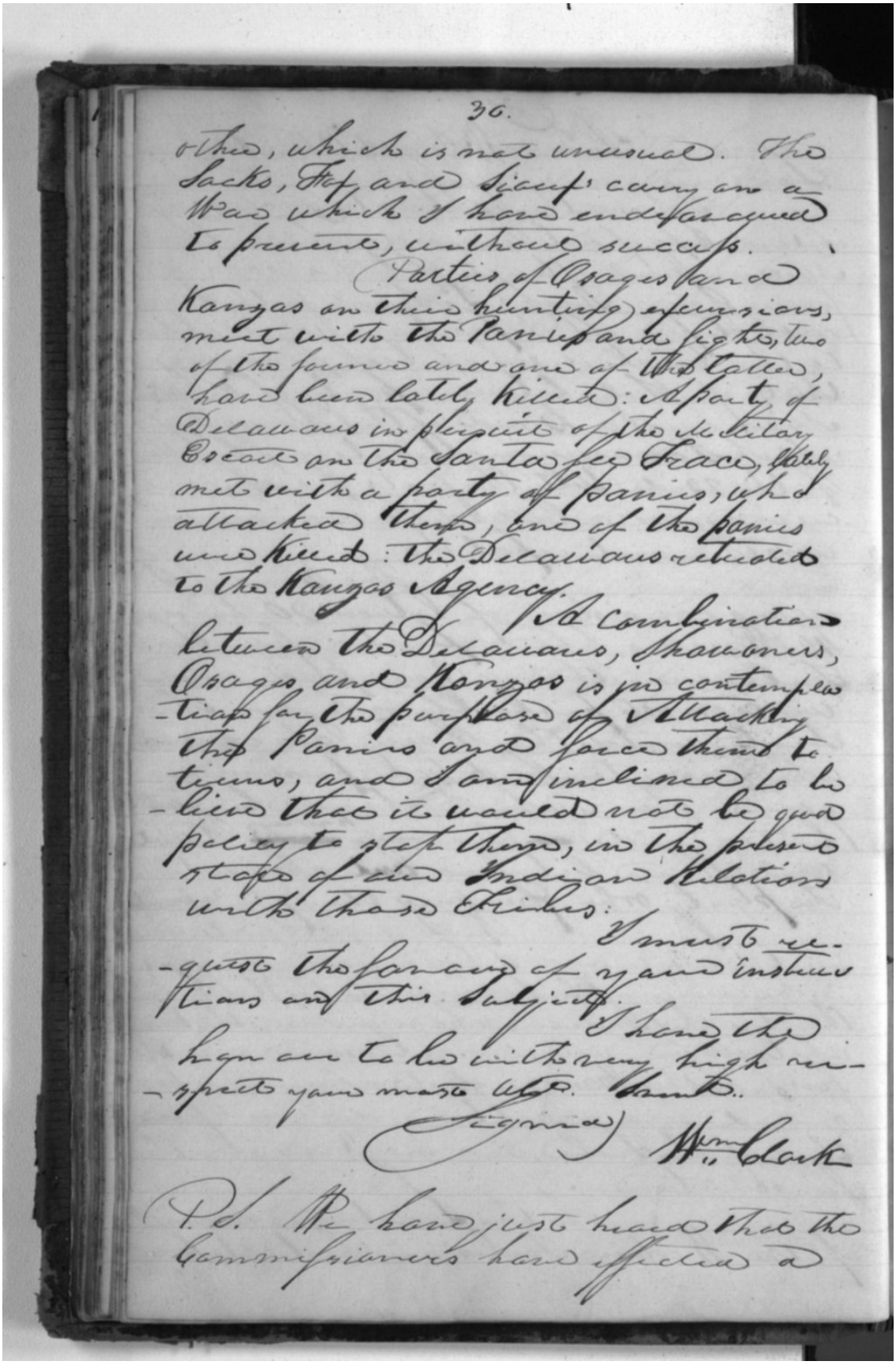
Sir,

I have the honour to enclose herewith, a copy of a letter received from Genl. Miller, and extracts of letters received from Genl. Hughes Indian Agent for the Iowas with copies of Depositions in relation to the Conflict which took place on the 17 of July, between a party of white Men and a Band of the Sioux Indians, which I communicated to you by letter of the 22nd. Ult. the facts has since received, are a little different from what was then anticipated.

This Band of Sioux consisting of between 30 and 40 Warriors, have separated from this Tribe more than a Year past, and will, most probably not join the Tribe until they learn the cause which is intended to be pursued against them, which should be just, but rigid, as they [illegible] killed some of our Citizens, and caused the party who pursued them to retreat.

The Indian Agents are on the alert, and I have no doubt of endeavouring the Surrender to the Civil Authorities the Indians who murdered the three white Men: yet it may be some months first, as this Band is quite alarmed, has marched in a direction, different from that of the Tribe, and may not join them for some time.

At this time we, many of the Western Tribes are hostile to each



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other, which is not unusual. The Sacks, Fox and Sioux carry on a War which I have endeavoured to prevent, without success.

Parties of Osages and Kanzas on their hunting excursions, met with the Pawnee and fight, two of the former and one of the latter, have been lately killed: A party of Delawares in pursuit of the Military Corps on the Santa fee Trace, lately met with a party of Pawnies, who attacked them, one of the Pawnies was killed: the Delawares returned to the Kanzas Agency.

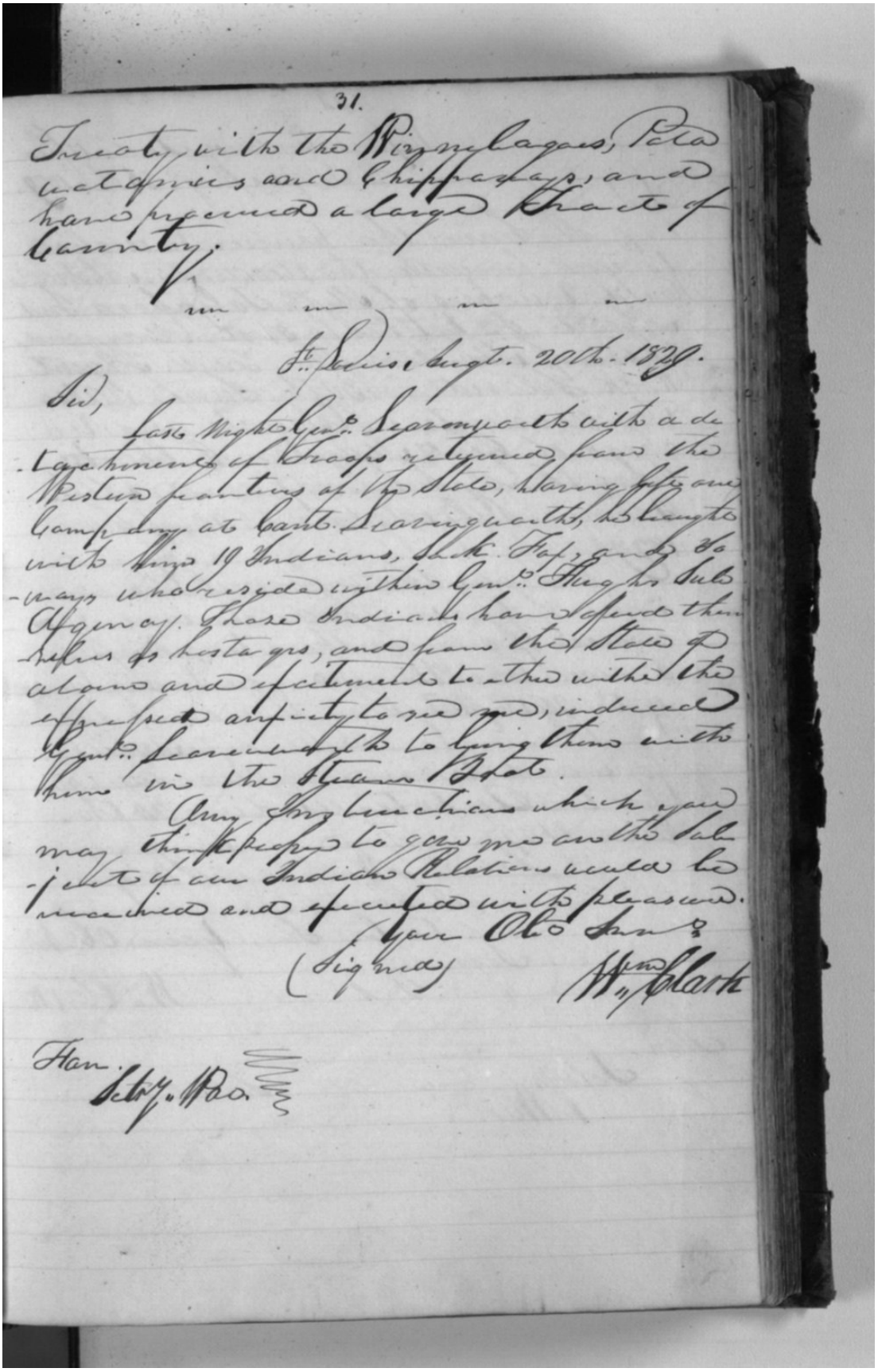
A combination between the Delawares, Shawanees, Osages and Kanzas is in contemplation for the purpose of attacking the Pawnies and force them to terms, and I am inclined to believe that it would not be good policy to stop them, in the present state of our Indian Relations with those Tribes:

I must request the favour of your instructions on this Subject.

I have the honor to be with very high respect your most Obt. Servt.

Signed Wm Clark

P.S. We have just heard that the Commissioners have effected a



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Treaty with the Pawnee Lagans, Pala
wat Pawnies and Chippaways, and
have procured a large Tract of
Country.

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St. Louis Augt. 20th. 1829.

Sir,

Last Night Gen. Leavenworth with a de-
tachment of troops returned from the
Western frontiers of this State, having left one
Company at Cant. Leavenworths, to range
with the 19 Indians, Sacks. Foxes and Yo-
-ways who reside within Gen. Hughes Sub
Agency. These Indians have sent them
selves as hostages, and from the State of
alarm and excitement in which the
Country was thrown, induced
Gen. Leavenworth to bring them with
him into the Settled Parts.

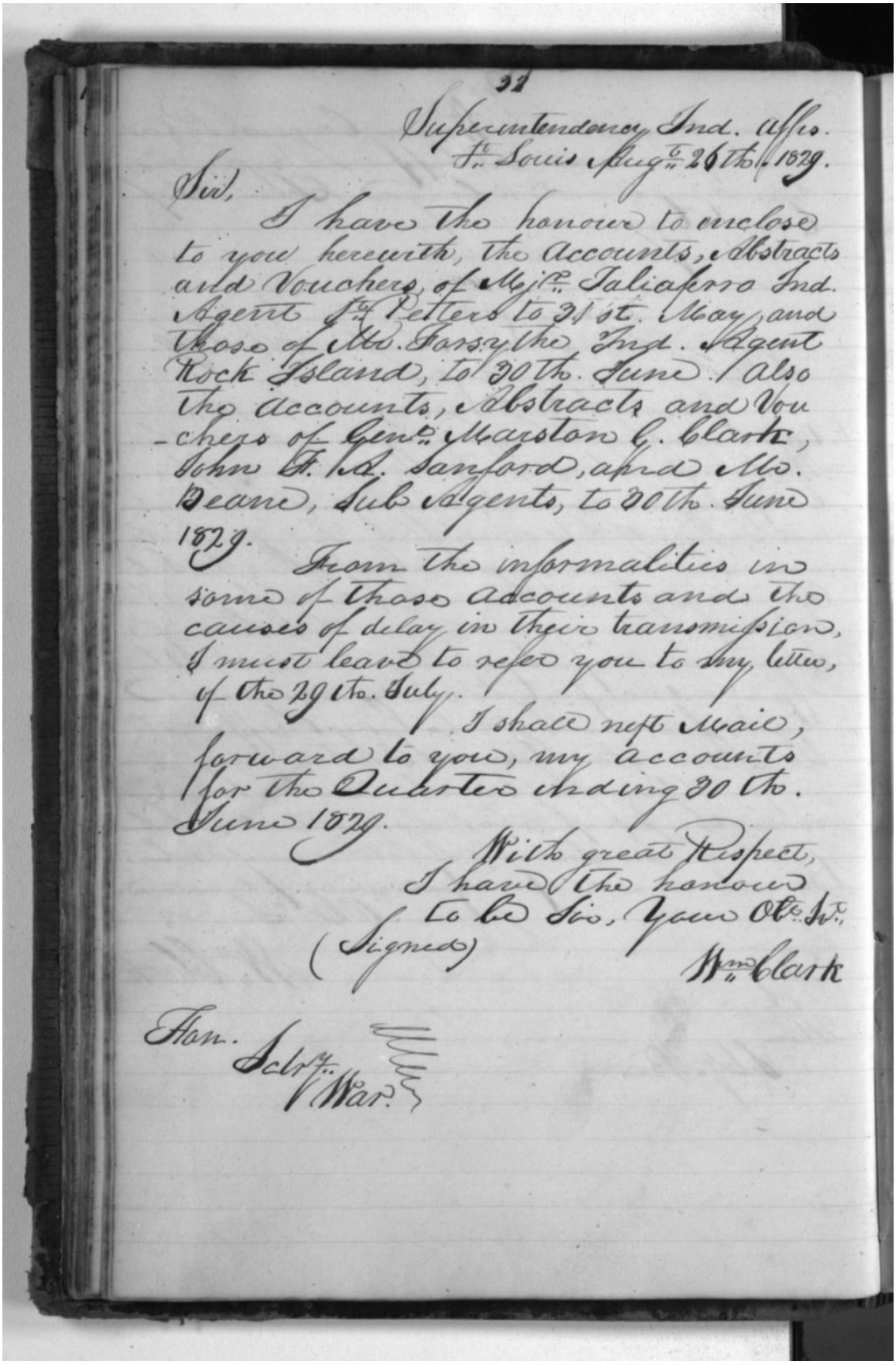
Any Instructions which you
may think proper to give me on the Sub-
-ject of our Indian Relations would be
received and executed with pleasure.

I am Sir &c &c

(Signed) Wm. Clark

Hon. Sec. of War.

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Superintendency Ind. Affrs.
Ft. Louis Augt. 26th. 1829.

Sir,

I have the honour to inclose to you herewith, the Accounts, Abstracts and Vouchers, of Majr. Taliaferro Ind. Agent St. Peters to 31st. May, and those of Mr. Forsyth, Ind. Agent Rock Island, to 30th. June. I also the accounts, Abstracts and Vouchers of Genl. Marston G. Clark, John H. K. Sanford, and Mr. Beane, Sub Agents, to 30th. June 1829.

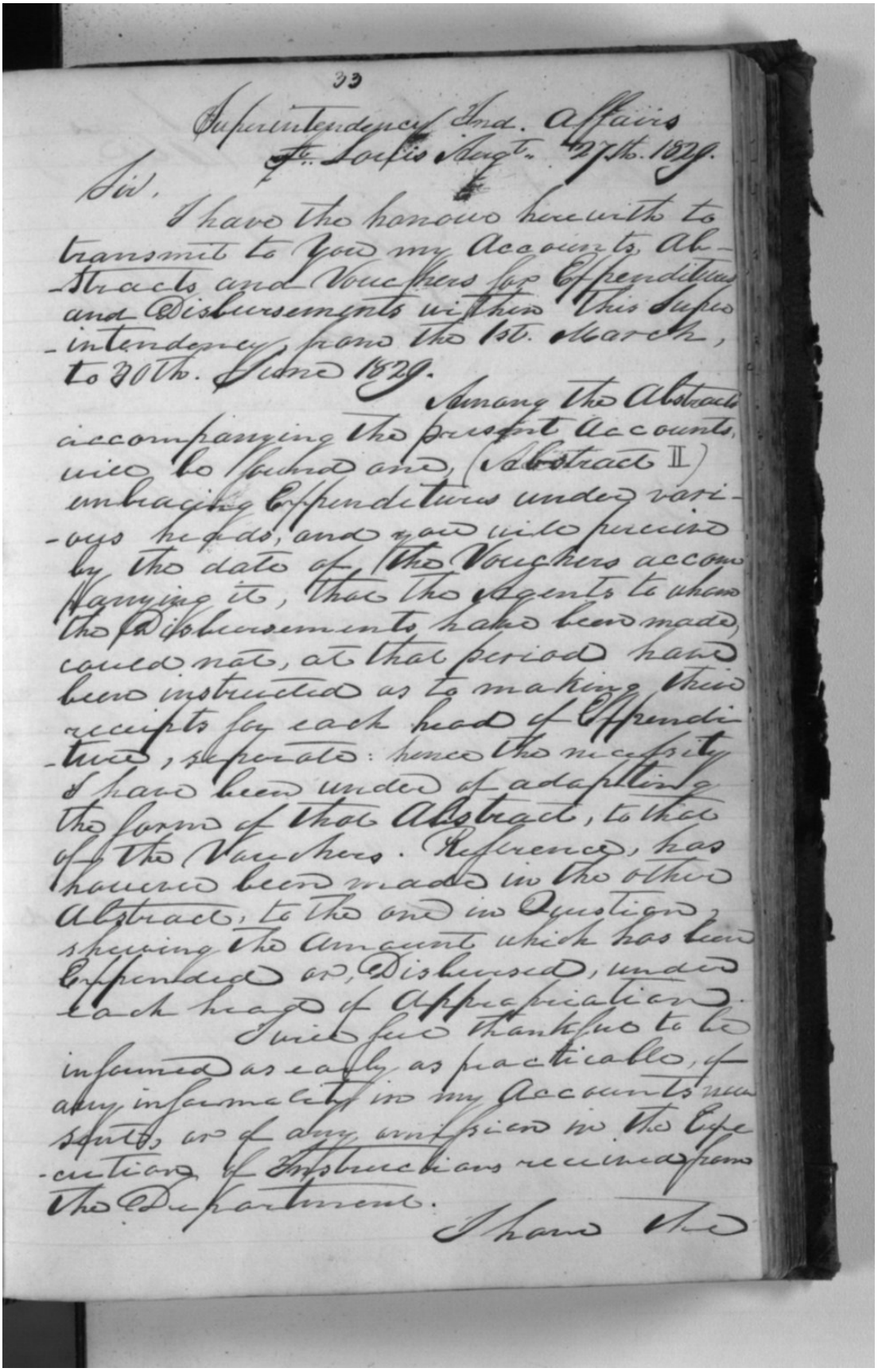
From the informalities in some of those accounts and the causes of delay in their transmission, I must leave to refer you to my letter of the 29th. July.

I shall next Mail, forward to you, my accounts for the Quarter ending 30th. June 1829.

With great Respect,
I have the honour
to be Sir, Your Obt. Sr.
(Signed)
Wm. Clark

Hon. Secrt. War.

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Superintendency Ind. Affairs
St. Louis Augt. 27th. 1829.

Sir,

I have the honour herewith to transmit to you my Accounts, Abstracts and Vouchers for Expenditures and Disbursements within this Superintendency, from the 1st. March, to 30th. June 1829.

Among the Abstracts accompanying the present Accounts, will be found one, (Abstract II) embracing Expenditures under various heads, and you will perceive by the date of the Vouchers accompanying it, that the Agents to whom the Disbursements had been made, could not, at that period have been instructed as to making their receipts for each head of Expenditure, seperate: hence the necessity I have been under of adapting the form of that Abstract, to that of the Vouchers. Reference, has however been made in the other Abstracts, to the one in question, shewing the Amount which has been Expended or, Disbursed, under each head of Appropriation.

I will feel thankful to be informed as early, as practicable, of any informality in my Accounts now sent, or of any omission in the Execution of Instructions received from the Department.

I have &c