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*Utica, N.Y.*

July 31st, 1929

Prof. J.D. Ibbotson;  
Orono, Maine.  
Dear Sir;

In talking with your son the other night I mentioned that I had been intending to show you some papers which came to me when we closed up our farm in Kirkland several years ago. These papers related to the Stockbridge Indians. As he said you were working on some data on the Indians of this territory, I thought it best to send you copies of the matter in case any of it should be of any use to you. Wish that they had been papers pertaining to Samuel Kirkland rather than to John Sargent Junior.

Very sincerely,

*Henry D. Pixley*

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This mutual agreement made this twelfth day of December A.D. 1819  
Between John Sargent Junior and the Stockbridge Tribe of Indians  
Witnesseth that the said Indians in order to substantiate their  
claims to the land at White River in the state of Indiana find it  
necessary to send a deputation to the General Government of the  
United States and for the assistance and services of said  
John Sargent Junior whom we appoint as our agent to further our  
wishes in the accomplishment of the design above mentioned, we  
do promise and agree to and with the said John Sargent Junior  
that whenever our nation shall treat with the government of the  
State of New York for the sale of our land at New Stockbridge will give  
give him the said John Sargent Junior five hundred acres of land  
in said New Stockbridge which shall form one article any such treaty.  
and the said John Sargent Junior agrees to pay the same price for  
the same as shall be allowed us by the acre for such other land as  
we shall dispose of in said treaty. Proviso however and it is further  
agreed that in case the failure of the above mentioned design then and  
in such a case this shall forthwith be null and void; In witness Whereof  
we have hereunto set our hands the day and year first above  
written .

Done in a general counsel

Signed by the chief etc.,

New Stockbridge, January 21st, 1823

To the honorable the legislature of the State of New York  
in Senate and Assembly convened;

The Petition of the undersigned chiefs warriors and principle  
men of the Stockbridge tribe of indians residing in New  
Stockbridge in the counties of Oneida and Madison respectfully  
sheweth

That your Petitioners have long since considered it necessary for  
the welfare of our tribe to remove from this our place of residence  
to some other country the many reasons which induced us to form  
this resolution it is at present unnecessary for us to recapitulate.  
And to carry this our resolution into effect we contracted in the ye  
1819 with our true friend John Sargent Junior to assist us in  
looking out and procuring a place for our futute residence and  
settlement and as a compensation for his services we agreed to give  
him five hundred acres of land in New Stockbridge. We now have the  
satisfaction to state that through the instrumentality and  
assistance of the said John Sargent Junior the object contemplated  
is obtained a country is purchased and confirmed to us by the  
Government of the United States at Green Bay in the territory of  
Michigan.

And we do further represent that said John Sargent Junior has  
expended the best part of four years in bringing about the said  
object and in settling a colony of our People at Green Bay afforsaid  
Your petitioners further represent that during the last summer  
a treaty was entered into at the City of Albany at which Treaty  
the land intended to be given to said John Sargent Junior as a  
remuneration for his services was deeded to the People of the  
State of New York at two dollars per acre.

Now therefore we pray your Honorable body to pass a law  
authorizing the conveyance of five hundred acres of land to  
said John Sargent Junior to be laid out on the North East Corner  
of the East tract described in said treaty made last summer and  
deduct the sum of one thousand dollars from the sum stipulated to be  
paid to us in said treaty and your petitioners in duty bound will  
ever pray.

Chief; Hendrich Aupaumut  
Clerk; Solomon U. Hendrick  
Sampson Owwothommang  
John W. Quincy  
Abner W. Hendrick  
F-----P. Auron  
Thomas S. Hendrick  
William Thompson His Mark x  
Jones Thompson " "  
Gannet Thompson " "  
Paul Tye " "  
Absalun N. Quincy  
Joshiah W. Andrew  
Andrew Winmuhheg His Mark

This paper endorsed as follows

Petition of the Chief and warriors of the Stockbridge tribe  
of Indians.

Feb 3rd, 1823

In red Ink as follows.

Indian affairs  
Surveyor Genl.,.

The committee upon Indian Affairs to whom was referred the petitions and circumstance of the Stockbridge Nation - With certain other documents with the Surveyor General report them

Respectfully Report

That by a Memorial dated Jan 21 st 1823 certain Chiefs and warriors of the Stockbridge Nation to the number of 14 petition th legislature to grant to John Sargent Junior 500 acres of land from the N.E. corner of a certain tract of land purchased agreeable to treaty by the state and to deduct \$1,000 dollars from the money due them. Stating that the said Sargent has preformed certain services for said nation. There has also been reffered a memorial dated Feb 1823 of certain chiefs and warriors of said nation in number twenty one , remonstrating in strong terms against granting any land to the said Sargent.

By reference to a certain document in the hands of your committee dated 1st December 1819 Chiefs and warriors to the number of ten did by this instrument contract with said Sargent to assist them in obtaining a session ? of certain lands in the S. western Country It appears also from a letter from the Government of Michigan Territory dated Aug 19th 1822 That the said Sargent was an authorized agent to superintend the migration - On the part of the United States. For a --- of territory situated upon the Fox River and Green Bay from the memmerials--Menomains . Nations in favor of the Stockbridge Nation and others The expense to be paid by the pertied benefited . therebt it is admitted in one of the memorials that this service has been performed Although the -----of territory obtained is different from that stipulated for by the previous agreements attended to- By the report of the Surveyor General upon this subject it appears that the land petitioned for by treaty in August last has been dispose of to the state (Being a part of the tract mentioned in said treaty) And that the consideration Money for the amount of said lands has in part been paid and that the remainder will be paid soon after the completion of the survey of the tract purchased.

Your committee upon an investigation of this subject are of the opinions That from the documents referred, tha said John Sargent Junior has rendered important services to the Stockbridge Nation of Indians .

But inasmuch as the land -----for belongs by a treaty of purchase to the state and the nations title thereto fully extinguished - A difference in opinion as to the service rendered by said John Sargent exists in the minds of the Chiefs and warriors of said nation. And as their yet remains in the possession of the Nation a large tract of unsold Land from which by treaty a reservation may be made to the said John Sargent Junior. - Viewing these facts they at this time deem it inadvisable to grant the prayer of the petitioners- and would ask leave for them to withdraw the same.,  
Feb 12th 1823 Wm Doolittle.,

This is a copy of the Assembly report.