

Kissimmee, Fla., Oct. 8, 1915.

Rev. J. Sidney Catts,
De Funiak Springs, Fla.

Dear Sir:

Your candidacy for the Governorship
toward your reaching that goal, I beg to ask
how your feelings are toward our Seminoles
Indians in Florida?

Governor Gilchrist was indifferent,
I think, to their needs and welfare; while
Governor Park Trammell I consider has been
positively antagonistic to them. For the
sake of our Seminoles, I trust they have in
you a very sympathetic friend and ally.

These 600 Indians I think deserve
better treatment than they have ever received
and I trust their long road of trouble will
have a turn for the better soon. There are
in these Indians, to my personal knowledge,
the elements of good citizenship of a much
higher and better type than the immigrants
we get from the old country. These Indians
are Americans in the truest sense of the
word, but they have not had a square deal.

I remain,

Very truly yours,

JMW/RP