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Mr. J. M. Willson,  
Kissimmee, Fla.

Dear Mr. Willson:

Your favor of the 26th instant received, but the clipping referred to did not accompany your letter.

I am much interested in what you write, and of course I shall be glad to do anything I can to help have the 100,000 acres set aside by Florida for the Seminoles transferred to the jurisdiction of the Federal Government. I will be pleased to take this matter up with Commissioner Burke at the first opportunity. I believe that he will be sympathetic in any movement of the kind indicated. I think it would be well for you to write to him (Hon. Charles H. Burke, Commissioner of Indian Affairs, Washington, D. C.). It would be well to communicate with Senator Fletcher and have him confer with Commissioner Burke.

As to my coming down to Florida for the next meeting of the legislature, I cannot say at this writing, but I wish you would give me the date when the session begins. Then, have you any friends in the Legislature, like your friend Bryan (I think his name was) who could be counted on to help?

I would like to make another trip among the Seminoles and learn about present-day conditions.

Our bill, which became a law, stipulated that the 100,000 acres were set aside as a perpetual reservation for the Seminoles, and that point ought to stand in the way of any move to absorb any portion of the tract.

Have you conferred recently with Capt. Spencer on this subject?

Please keep me informed of any developments, and send me that clipping if you can.

I hope that this finds Mrs. Willson and you well. With kind regards to you both, I am,

Sincerely yours,

*M. K. Sniffen*