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Minnesota Superintendency

Saint Paul.

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In consideration of the good character of "Tah-o-ah-ta-do-tah" His red nation, commonly called "Little Crow" of the "Kapoja" Sioux and of his devotion and attachment to the Government of the United States and its citizens, and also in consideration of his being the descendant in a straight line of "Cha-tun-wah-koo-ah monee" The hunting hawk that walks" I have hereby recognized him as the chief of the said Band of Sioux and desire all officers of the Government, and all good citizens to respect him accordingly. Given under my hand and seal of this Superintendency this tenth day of November one thousand eight hundred & fifty one and of the Independence of the United State the seventy fifth.

[Seal] Alex. Ramsey