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MESSAGE OF THE PRESIDENT.

RICHMOND, VA., *January 7, 1864.*

To the Senate and House of Representatives:

I herewith transmit, for your consideration, a communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, submitting an estimate of the amount "necessary for the payment of interest on the removal and subsistence fund due the Cherokee Indians in North Carolina."

I recommend an appropriation of the sum specified for the purpose indicated.

JEFFERSON DAVIS.

COMMUNICATION FROM SECRETARY OF TREASURY.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, C. S. A., }
 Richmond, December 31, 1863. }

HIS EXCELLENCY, THE PRESIDENT:

SIR: I have the honor to enclose herewith an estimate of appropriation necessary for the payment of interest on the removal and subsistence fund due the Cherokee Indians in North Carolina, under the act of Congress approved May 1, 1863, and would respectfully request that you communicate the same to Congress.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

C. G. MEMMINGER,
 Secretary of Treasury.

ESTIMATE of appropriation required to pay the interest on the removal and subsistence fund due the Cherokee Indians in North Carolina, under the act of Congress approved May 1, 1863.

The number of Indians in 1861, as per report of Commissioner of Indian Affairs, was 1512, which, at \$53 33 each, makes the fund - - - \$80,634 96
 Interest upon this fund, at 6 per cent., for four years, from January 1, 1861, to January 1, 1864, inclusive, at \$1,858 09 per annum, - - - \$19,352 36
 which last sum is the amount required.

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