Brothers.

We hope you will make the situation of our brother as comfortable as circumstances will admit; we hope, also, that many of your young men will be willing to be taught by him to use the plow, the hoe, and other implements of husbandry, for we are sure, brothers, that as you take hold of such tools as are in the hands of the white people, that you will find them to be to you like having additional hands; you will also find, brothers, that by using them, they will enable you to do many things, which without them cannot be performed.

Brothers.

There is one thing more which we wish to add. Your brothers, the white people, in order to get their lands cultivated, find it necessary that their young men should be employed in it, and not their women. Women are less than men, they are not as able to endure fatigue as men. It is the business of our women to be employed in our houses, to keep them clean, to sew, to spin, to knit, to weave, to dress food for themselves & families, to make cloathing for the men and the rest of their families, to keep the cloathing of their families clean, & to take care of their children.

Brothers.

We desire not to mention too many things to you, but we must add a little further. We are fully of the mind, brothers, that if you will turn your attention to the cultivation of the earth, to raising the different kinds of grain, to building comfortable dwelling houses for your families, to raising useful animals, amongst others sheep, for the advantage of the wool in making cloathing, to raise flax and hemp, for your linen, and your young women learn to spin and weave, that your lives will be much easier and happier than at present, that you will be much less exposed to diseases, and that your numbers will increase and not diminish. As we before observed, brothers, your land is

good, it is far better than the land the white people cultivate near the great water; we are persuaded that your land will produce double the quantity of any kind of grain, of flax, or hemp, with the same labour that is necessary near the great water.

Brothers

We shall now finish what we have to say, with informing you that all the corn, and other productions of the earth, which our brother Philip Dennis may raise, we wish our red brethren to accept of, as a token of our friendship; and it is our desire that the chiefs of the Pottawattomie and Miami nations, who are now present added to our brothers the Five Medals, Tuthinopee, & Philip Dennis, make such distribution of the same as they may think proper.

After which the Little Turtle made a reply, which was taken down in short hand as delivered, and is as follows.

Brothers.

It appears to me necessary that I should give you an immediate answer, as you are about to return to your families from whence you came.

Brothers and Friends.

We are all pleased to see you here, and to take our brothers the Quakers, through you, by the hand. We rejoice that the Great Spirit has appointed that we should this day meet, for we believe that this meeting will be of the utmost consequence to your red brethren.

Brothers.

What you have said we have carefully gathered up, we have placed it in our hearts, in order that it might be communicated to our posterity. We are convinced that what you have said is for the good of your red brethren, we are also convinced that our chiefs and warriors, & our women & children, will be all of our opinion, & will be glad when they hear what you have said.