

1796

The Committee reported that a deputation had been appointed to make a visit to the Indians for the purpose of communicating with them upon the subject of the introduction of Husbandry and some of the arts of civil life into their country, and that this deputation had proceeded as far as the Muskingum River, with a view of meeting some chiefs and others, who they were informed, were assembled there; but upon their reaching that place they found that the Indians had removed to their respective homes and were too much dispersed to admit of their being speedily collected. The deputation therefore returned without accomplishing the object of their visit

1797

The Committee reported that with a view of becoming fully acquainted with the situation and disposition of the Indians, three of their number had been appointed to make them a visit, and that these friends had travelled into the Indian country, from the mouth of the Whiskey, as far westward as the Sandusky River, and had returned by the head waters of the Muskingum, performing a route of more