

connexion with Friends, and of receiving some aid from them.

In reply to this communication a letter was received from the agent dated the 12th of the 7th month last, in which he informs that the Indians at Waughhahkonetta having been exposed to perpetual harassment during the late war, and their settlement almost desolated, they were now reduced to the greatest distress, - and that Friends may remain satisfied of the anxiety of the Indians at that place to receive aid from them, and that in his opinion there are no Indians in that country amongst whom the views of Friends would be so likely to succeed. He also stated, that the mill which had been built by Friends at Waughhahkonetta had gone to ruin, the stones and some of the larger irons only being left; - and enclosed to us the following speech from the Indians of the Village at Waughhahkonetta.

"Waughhahkonetta 8th of July 1815

"Dear Friends:

"A few days ago your letter to our friend John Johnson, was handed to us, and explained to us by our interpreter, - the contents were duly observed. It has been our intention to write you for some time past, that

you might be acquainted with our present situation, which is really bad: but such accidents will happen in war time. Yesterday our good friend came to us and took the trouble to explain your wishes, - you may be well assured that we were all glad to the bottom of our hearts, - we therefore return our thanks to all our friends that are so much interested in our welfare: it has made a great impression that words cannot express. Just as we were becoming able to receive and feel your good-will, the war swept away every thing from us, and plunged us in the same situation, as near the same, notwithstanding the United States have been very charitable to us, as well as our good friends John Johnson. You may depend that all the Shawanese have rejoiced in thinking that there is a prospect of the same help that we received from our friends the Quakers before the war. We shall not describe to you the necessities or want we are in at present. We leave that to you, as you are better judges yourselves. As for the mill, it entirely good for nothing, being left without any body to take care of it in the war time: we believe the stones to be as good as before, and some iron. Since peace, we have taken the resolution to live as formerly, - that is, in tranquillity, by ourselves, as we are sure the United States will