

the Chiefs here assembled, and most of our people, to adopt the plan that you have recommended and we will use every exertion in our power, to prevail on those of our people who do not now see it right to join us to do it, and we hope to succeed with them. But our determination is firmly taken, that if these people will not unite with us, we will go on without them, and turn our backs upon them, leaving them where they are, for our resolution is fixed to pursue farming, and try to raise plenty.

Brothers, it is our intention to settle out on separate farms in the fall, after we have secured our crops. We will then as far as we are able, procure hogs and cattle to begin on, as we are resolved to turn our attention to the raising of stock.

Brothers, all our people are very much pleased with the mill that you are building for us. It is our intention next year to put the whole of our old ground in wheat, and we hope we shall then have plenty for the mill to grind.

Brothers, our wishes are good, but we cannot at once go on as the white people do, for we are a poor, helpless people... but we hope when a few of us step forward, and do well,

that others will follow our example.

Brothers, tell your old men that we are glad in our hearts to hear your words, and that it is a great satisfaction to us to see our friends so kindly disposed towards us. Assure them that we will do all in our power to follow the counsel you have given us, and that with a sincere heart, we take them by the hand and return our thanks to them, and likewise to the master of all things.

Brothers, your brethren now here in council, will pray to the Great Spirit, the author of all things, that he will keep the road open and clear, and preserve you safe on your journey back to your friends and families again.

Whilst at this village we visited a number of them in their cabins and were every where received with great kindness and affection. We also examined a considerable part of their land, which they have in cultivation, and found that their corn was generally as good as any we had passed in the whole of our journey. Almost every family have also good gardens, several of them well stocked with various kinds of vegetables, such as Potatoes, Cabbages, Beans, Lettuce, Carrots, squashes, and some other kinds of melons.

The Indians of this village are nearly all Shawanese, and consist of about Eight hundred