

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, & that with a sincere heart we take them by the hand and return our thanks to them and like-wise 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 the families in their Cabins and were every where received with great kindness and affection; we also examined a considerable part of the land which they have in cultivation, and found that their Corn was generally as good as any that 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, Cabbage, Beans, Lettuce, Parsnips, Carrots, squashes & some other kinds of melons.

The Indians of this Village are nearly all Shawanoes and consist of about 800 persons; it is computed they have 250 Acres planted with Corn which from its present appearance will we think yield between

11 7000 & 8000 Bushels. We found many of them at work in their fields and from the best information we could collect it appears that a considerable portion of them are becoming industrious - Many of the families have also some poultry.

We examined the site chosen for the mill & are of opinion that it has been judiciously selected, being in a very central situation, near the middle of the settlement which extends several miles along the Creek, and on a spot well protected from being injured by floods, the chiefs when called on furnish promptly from day to day any number of young men, that may be wanted to assist in such work as they are qualified to be useful at about the mill, and they appeared very much gratified at the prospect of having it built for them - the work is progressing as fast as can be expected and as far as it has advanced appears to have been executed substantially, it is now contemplated that the whole will be completed by the latter part of the 7th month, John Johnson has purchased from the Indians the adjacent premises for the accommodation of the persons who may be placed by friends for the general superintendence and management of the Establishment.

From Wampaukannetta we proceeded to the settlement near Honey Creek, which is situated about 22 miles distant on the head waters of the Miami river, this village is composed of Mingos, Shawanoes, Senecas, Cayugas, Munsies, Onondagoes & Delaware and is estimated to contain 400 persons; we arranged