

MEMORIAL
OF
CITIZENS OF THE CREEK NATION,

REMONSTRATING AGAINST

The establishment of a territorial government for the Indian Territory.

FEBRUARY 6, 1875.—Referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs and ordered to be printed.

EUFAULA, C. N., *January 26, 1875.*

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States in Congress assembled :

The memorial of the undersigned, citizens of the Muscogee or Creek Nation, respectfully showeth: That they have heard with surprise that the Board of Indian Commissioners has officially reported as the result of the late conference at Muscogee, Indian Territory, with delegates representing the five principal nations and tribes in the Indian Territory, their belief that if Congress should, without delay, provide a territorial government for the Indian Territory, such action would receive the hearty indorsement of a great majority of the inhabitants of said Territory. The undersigned are unable to conjecture the grounds upon which the belief is founded, as it is contradicted by the statement of every one of the thirty-three delegates with whom the conference was held, who presented their views in certain resolutions embodied in the report of the commissioners; one of which sets forth as a grievance the introduction into Congress of bills for the organization of such territorial government. That, for ourselves, we do not know and have not heard of a single citizen of our nation who would not deeply regret the passage of any such bill, and would regard it as a source of unmixed evil for the reason that a territorial government is regarded by every one who has any knowledge of the subject, whether for or against it, as the entering-wedge to the opening up of the Indian country to the settlement of the whites, upon which nearly every friend of the Indian looks as his final destruction. *This is the one general feeling* existing among all classes of the Muscogees or Creek people, who constitute one-fourth of the population of the five nations residing in the Indian Territory. The Choctaws, who are equal to one-third of the population of the Territory, were not represented in that conference, but their feelings and sentiments were shown a few months ago in the election of their present principal chief, who received three times as many votes as all his three competitors combined, because he was well known to be an uncompromising enemy to any form of a territorial government, although none of his opponents nor any other Choctaw citizen favored

such a government. The same feeling prevails among the Chickasaws and Seminoles. The only apparent show of strength in favor of a territorial government is in the remaining nation, the Cherokees. Out of four thousand five hundred votes in that nation, the undersigned are informed that those favoring such a government number less than one hundred, none of whom, so far as the population of the Territory is concerned, can be regarded as representative men. Their champion, Colonel Boudinot, does not live in the Territory, and although he is of Cherokee blood, he expresses the views and opinions of the white man and not of the Indian.

So well understood are all these facts in the Indian Territory, that we are satisfied the commissioners would not have failed to arrive at a correct conclusion as to the state of public opinion among us had not one of their members been led by former associations to consider the territorial question from the stand-point of the Atlantic and Pacific Railway Company's interest, which is dependent upon the opening up of the Indian country to the extent of six thousand square miles of Indian lands.

With hopes that our sentiment, as herein set forth, may meet with your favor, and be considered by you as from those whose very existence you have in your charge,

We are, very respectfully, your humble memorialists,

SAM. GRAYSON,
Secretary of Senate.
J. McD. COODEY,
JOHN McINTOSH,
Judge N. F. District.
E. E. SANGER.

John F. Simpson.
Richard Greenwood, his x mark.
Cato, his x mark.
Jefferson Lartker, his x mark.
Watley, his x mark.
Chekarney, his x mark.
Sam. Colbert, his x mark.
Simon Lartker, his x mark.
Thomas Phillip.
Rabbit, his x mark.
Gibson Scully.
Thomas, his x mark.
Sam. McGilvery, his x mark.
Neharthlocce Harjo, his x mark.
Malone Grayon.
Captain Dorsey, his x mark.
Sam mo chee, his x mark.
Billy Lewis, his x mark.
Thomas Scott.
Barney Scott.
W. B. Rogers.
Cox Hale, his x mark.
Capt. Billochee, capt. Light Horse
N. F. D.
V. N. McAnully.
G. W. Grayson, treas'r Muscogee
Nation.
Shawnee Collins, his x mark.

Echo Emarthlu, his x mark.
Hinneho Marthlochu, his x mark.
Micco Yerholu, his x mark.
Jackson Munarwa, his x mark.
W. F. Crabtree.
Lartken, his x mark.
Carbitcheo Hixico, his x mark.
Watty Grayson, his x mark.
Chowa Calbert, his x mark.
Tobias Herod, his x mark.
Frank Turkey, his x mark.
Jack Eufuula, his x mark.
Hector, his x mark.
Tulmarsee, his x mark.
T. DARTHLO YERHALER, his x mark.
Itchars Harjo, his x mark.
Watt Grayson, his x mark.
Washington Kennard, his x mark.
Thomas McSniggin, his x mark.
Phil Hamley, his x mark.
John R. Crowell.
Coniss Yerholer, his x mark.
David Wesley, his x mark.
Itchars Micco, his x mark.
Sauger Beaver, his x mark.
Pyer Beaver, his x mark.
William Beaver, his x mark.
Chula Harjo, his x mark.

Hodiche Herod, his x mark.
 Wesley Smith.
 William Simmons.
 Tassekiah Hutkey.
 Coniss Yoholar.
 Cosar Yoholar.
 Thlechumme Harjo.
 Cheloke Yoholar.
 Fushutche Fixico.
 Ochee Harjo.
 Nocos Harjo.
 Fus Harjo.
 Fus Yarholar.
 Woateo Homartee.
 Tulsee Yoholar.
 Louis Proctor.
 Kaley Proctor.
 Thlarthlo Harjo.
 Yarhar Harjo.
 Nocos Emarthlar.
 Micco Yoholar.
 Sardy.
 Loly Fuswa.
 Bill Fuswa.
 Jim Fuswa.
 Tulsee Harjo.
 Cosiste Harjo.
 Seep se.
 Per he luste Fixico.
 Yarkin har Harjo.
 Arharloc Harjo.
 Edmund Grayson.
 Wm. McComb.
 Halahta Harjo.
 Wiley.
 Yartar.
 James.
 Senddo.
 William.
 Willie.
 Thomas.
 Moses Simmons.
 Far Harjo.
 Tumarthle Harjo.
 Sam.
 Johnson.
 Dorsey.
 Solomon.
 Conchart Fixico.
 Chimsey.
 Samuel Simmons.
 Mick Emarthlar.
 Aklerpisser Fixico.
 Hut tup ke.
 Paley.
 Pin Harjo.
 Cubbitcher Harjo.

Toatker par ye Harjo, his x mark.
 Arharloc Fixico.
 Nocos ille.
 H. Lindsey.
 Hatulk Emarthler.
 O'Kelis Huiehar.
 Artus Hopye.
 Cho. Falower.
 Catchus Micco.
 O'Kidin Yerholen.
 Ahhulloc Fixico.
 Trestunug Harjo.
 Arpikochee Micco.
 Wotko Micco.
 Fi Yerholer.
 Isparka chee.
 Pikee.
 R. R. Bruner.
 Tommy Harjo.
 Cossitah Micco.
 Tulmarsee.
 Augustus Ceaser.
 John Bartley.
 George Roberts.
 Fus Harjo, his x mark.
 Chular Harjo.
 Chocartee Fixico, his x mark.
 Parscofer.
 Neharthocco Cochuckuy.
 Nero B. Jones.
 Thomas Star.
 Sikar.
 Oakchuse Emarthler.
 Thomas Bird.
 Daniel.
 David.
 Jno. M. Hampton.
 George R. Davis.
 E. M. Stover.
 Foster.
 David Chopko.
 Lumkee.
 James Lumky.
 Major Kanard.
 R. C. Perryman.
 David M. Burgess.
 Jacob Marshall.
 Nocosoché.
 Albert Burgess.
 Willie Perryman.
 Sampson.
 Silas Smith.
 Is-Par-He-Cher, his x mark.
 Conibee Emarthler, his x mark.
 Jonus.
 Jack Gooden.
 Daniel J. Seagle.

Richmond Bruner.
 Henry Bruner.
 Catke.
 Thos. Bruner.
 Jacob Bruner.
 Sam Miller.
 Mucher Hardridge.
 James Bradford.
 Tustamugga Harjo.
 Woxe Harjo.
 Joseph Pidgeon.
 C. C. Belcher.
 J. E. Turner.
 Harchee Yoholar.
 Willie.
 James Butler.
 Wartillar.
 Tom Secolar.
 Echo Harjo.
 Dave Harry.
 Sar pulber.
 Sampsochee.
 Thlars hochthla.
 Sar hochthachee.
 Un dilla.
 Sin chauku.
 Esarp archulee.
 Puf ru chi chu.
 Toby.
 Wartee.
 Cheparnee.
 Te par kee.
 Tommy.
 Sunday.
 Chus see.
 Jonahsee.
 Peter.
 Jacob.
 Yar kin har micco.
 Hulputter.
 Cotchu Homartee.
 Moses.
 Ceasar Harjo.
 Fus Yoholar.
 David McComb.
 Joseh McComb.
 He ne har Micco.
 Ter co ser Harjo.
 Tus se ki er hut ke.
 Par hose Harjo.
 Ok fusko chu.
 Tulse George.
 Gal la ho.
 In thler nis hut jo.
 Soto.
 Tinakee.

Harliu cher.
 Williamy.
 Billy.
 Jaseph.
 S. H. Peryman, speaker house warriors.
 J. A. Cloud, member national council.
 Taylor Poast oak, member national council.
 Pars cofer, member national council.
 Che hoe Jim, member national council.
 Ko sar Tustanuggee, member national council.
 Billy Burgess, member national council.
 Cowetah Tustanuggee, member national council.
 William McIntosh, member national council.
 Isam Marshall, member national council.
 J. R. Gregory, judge Kowetah dist.
 C. H. Marshall, prosecuting atty.
 Daniel Miller, capt. light-horse co.
 George W. Marshall, prvt. l. h. co.
 Joe Mingo, prvt. l. h. co.
 War le see, prvt. l. h. co.
 Lewis Marshall, prvt. l. h. co.
 Cowetah Micco, late delegate to Washington.
 James Jefferson.
 Se e muppe.
 Che loke kee.
 Long Sam.
 Ester Pain.
 S e ney.
 Ar lok Fixico.
 James Howard.
 Ho lah ter.
 David McKallup.
 George Lovett.
 John Massey.
 Robert McKallup.
 No cos Har jo.
 Ar e mah har.
 Billy Chok ley.
 Thos. Bruner, mem. nat. council.
 John W. Penyman.
 Uplar.
 James Root.
 Alexander Jones.
 Moses Marshall.
 Kerney.
 James.
 Isaac Penyman.

Watte Kelly.	Sak con we nay.
Thomas Jefferson.	Sak kon sen nay.
T. W. Penyman.	Samuel Brown, judge. Musc. dist.
Thos. Adams, member nat. council.	A. D. Lowe.
Hul butter Micco, town chief.	Roly McIntosh, member natl. council.
Chu lar Fixico.	Thos. C. Harvison, national auditor.
Se ki gee, member nat. council.	William Harvison.
William Jones, member natl. council.	James Fife, judge Deep Fork dist.
Arhar lock Emarthler, member natl. council.	Walter Collins, member national council.
John Haynes, member natl. council.	Amos Bosin, member national council.
John Buck.	Its h ars Harjo, member national council.
Peter Crawfish.	L. G. Stidham.
De char ney.	
De co con noe.	
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