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STATISTICAL TABLES

Of the several Districts composing the Cherokee Nation,

In 1824 a resolution was passed by the Legislature of the Cherokee Nation, appointing and authorizing eight persons to take the census of the Nation, and to prepare correct statistical tables of each District. The general result has been laid before the public. Our object in inserting the following tables which we copy from a pamphlet is to show that, if possessions can be considered as indicating the progress of civilization, some of the Districts are considerably farther advanced in improvement than others.

COOSEWAYTEE DISTRICT.

POPULATION.	
Males under 18 years of age	529
Males from 18 to 59 years of age	515
Males over 59 years of age	67
Total number of males	1111
Females under 15 years of age	476
Females from 15 to 40 years	174
Females over 40 years of age	539
Total number of females	1205
Total of males and females	2316
Male slaves	168
Female slaves	127
Total	195

Whole Population

2,611

In this District, there are twenty-seven white men married to Cherokee women, and twenty Cherokees married to white women.

There are in this District, 2,944 black cattle, 1,207 horses, 4,965 swine, 369 sheep, ninety one goats, 113 looms, 397 spinning wheels, thirty-three wagons, 461 ploughs, five saw-mills, five grist mills, ten blacksmith shops, two Missionary Schools in operation, in which are twenty one scholars of both sexes.

TAHQOHA DISTRICT.

POPULATION.	
Males under 18 years of age	357
Males from 18 to 59 years of age	301
Males over 59 years of age	35
Total number of males	693
Females under 15 years of age	301
Females from 15 to 40 years	328
Females over 40 years of age	37
Total number of females	666
Total of males and females	1359

Male negroes	7	Total	24
Female negroes	17		

Whole population 1,983

There are in this District, eight white men married to Cherokee women, and one Cherokee man married to a white woman.

There are in this District, 211 spinning wheels, one grist mill, one blacksmith shop, 308 ploughs, fifty-three looms, 323 sheep, 2,419 swine, 1,506 black cattle, 554 horses.

CHICKAMAUGA DISTRICT.

Males under 18 years of age	484	
Males from 18 to 59 years of age	396	
Males over 59 years of age	43	
Total number of males	—	923
Females under 15 years of age	298	
Females from 15 to 40 years	374	
Females over 40 years of age	131	
Total number of females	—	803
Total of males and females		1726
Male negroes	90	} Total
Female negroes	97	

Whole population 1,913

There are in this District, fifteen white men married to Cherokee women, and four Cherokee men married to white women.

There are in this District four Schools and seventy-two scholars of both sexes, a grist-mill, two saw-mills, one cotton gin, 121 looms, 368 spinning wheels—eighteen wagons, 354 ploughs, 1,175 horses, 2,505 black cattle, 8,900 swine, 111 goats, eleven blacksmith shops, five ferries, four stores, and 397 sheep.

HICKORY LOG DISTRICT.

Males under 18 years of age	397	
Males from 18 to 59 years of age	300	
Males over 59 years of age	42	
Total number of males	—	739
Females under 15 years of age	345	
Females from 15 to 40 years	386	
Females over 40 years of age	113	
Total number of females	—	794
Total of males and females		1533
Male slaves	}	Total
Female slaves		

Whole population 1533

There are in this District, twenty Cherokees married to white women, and forty white men married to Cherokee women.

There are in this District, five blacksmith shops, thirty-two wagons, one cotton gin, one saw-mill, two stores, 187 head of sheep, twenty-four goats, 3,178 swine, 1,733 black cattle, 520 horses, 232 spinning wheels, 76 looms, and farming utensils in proportion, of all descriptions.

AQUOHEE DISTRICT.

Males under 18 years of age	561	
Males from 18 to 59 years of age	607	
Males over 59 years of age	77	
Total number of males,	—	1245
Females under 15 years of age	699	
Females from 15 to 40 years	522	
Females over 40 years of age	98	
Total number of females	—	1319
Total of males and females		2564
Male negroes	10	Total 19
Female negroes	9	

Whole population 2583

There are in this District, four white men married to Cherokee women.

There are in this District, one Missionary School of fifty scholars, 1,191 horses, 1,799 black cattle, 5,544 swine, 765 sheep, thirty-seven goats, one saw-mill, one grist-mill, 446 ploughs, 145 looms, 346 spinning wheels, five blacksmith shops, seven wagons.

AHMOHEE DISTRICT.

Males under 18 years of age	386	
Males from 18 to 59 years of age	300	
Males over 59 years of age	31	
Total number of males	—	717
Females under 15 years of age	338	
Females from 15 to 40 years	299	
Females over 40 years of age	58	
Total number of Females	—	695
Total of males and females	—	1,412
Male slaves	73	Total 142
Female slaves	69	

Whole population 1,554

There are in this District, eleven Cherokees married to white women, and twenty eight white men married to Cherokee women.

There are in this District, five Schools and twenty seven scholars of

of both sexes, seven blacksmith shops, one turnpike, five ferries, six public roads, one threshing machine, one store, ninety-three goats, 243 sheep, 6,080 swine, 1,730 cattle, 845 horses, 372 ploughs, seventy looms, 327 spinning wheels, twenty-nine wagons, three saw-mills, six grist mills, two cotton gins.

CHATTOOGA DISTRICT.

Males under 18 years of age	420	
Males from 18 to 59 years of age	400	
Males over 59 years of age	30	
Total number of males	—	850
Females under 15 years of age	339	
Females from 15 to 40 years	365	
Females over 40 years of age	95	
Total number of females	—	799
Total of males and females		1,649
Male negroes,	122	} Total 292
Female negroes,	170	

There are in this District, eighteen white men married to Cherokee women, and three Cherokee men married to white women.

There are in this District, 6 schools in which are ninety two scholars of both sexes; and 1,318 horses, 7,018 cattle, 4,654 swine, 335 sheep, fifteen goats, 124 looms, 307 wheels, 446 ploughs, eleven blacksmith shops, five grist mills, two cotton gins, one saw-mill, and two stores.

HIGH TOWER DISTRICT.

Males under 18 years of age	347	
Males from 18 to 59 years of age	325	
Males over 59 years of age	26	
Total number of males	—	698
Females under 15 years of age	300	
Females from 15 to 40 years	306	
Females over 40 years of age	71	
Total number of females	—	677
Total of males and females		1,375
Male negroes	43	Total 79
Female negroes	36	

Whole population 1,454

In this District, there are four white men married to Cherokee women, and two Cherokee men married to white women.

There is in this District one School, in which are twenty scholars of both sexes; and 818 horses, 3,170 cattle, 3,777 swine, 298 sheep, 67 goats, 67 looms, 65 ploughs, five blacksmith shops, two mills, 240 wheels, and eleven wagons.

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of both sexes, seven blacksmith shops, one turnpike, five ferries, six public roads, one threshing machine, one store, ninety-three goats, 243 sheep, 6,080 swine, 1,730 cattle, 845 horses, 372 ploughs, seventy looms, 327 spinning wheels, twenty-nine wagons, three saw-mills, six grist mills, two cotton gins.

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There are in this District, 6 schools in which are ninety two scholars of both sexes; and 1,318 horses, 7,018 cattle, 4,654 swine, 335 sheep, fifteen goats, 124 looms, 307 wheels, 446 ploughs, eleven blacksmith shops, five grist mills, two cotton gins, one saw-mill, and two stores.

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The following communication was this day made to the Council of the Cherokee nation:

NEWTOWN, 16th Oct. 1823.

FRIENDS AND BROTHERS: We are happy that a short time has been consumed in the correspondence between you and the State Commissioners.

This has afforded us an opportunity of becoming partially acquainted with several members of this Council. For the whole body we entertain a high respect, and we trust, that, with some of you, we have contracted individual friendships. In saying this, we do not violence to our own feelings, neither do we lower the elevated character of the United States. People who have never seen you, know but little of your progress in the arts of civilized life, and of the regular and becoming manner in which your affairs are conducted.

Your improvement reflects the greatest credit upon yourselves, and upon the Government by which you have been preserved and fostered. Other Governments would have triumphed in your downfall, and held you down by cruelty and oppression. Such has not been the conduct of the United States. She has set an example which the whole civilized world ought to feel proud to follow. It has been your unhappy lot to be shut out from the advantages which many others enjoy. It has been the constant study and exertion of the Government to relieve you from your unfortunate condition. The struggle has been long, but not in vain. What was promised you by your first Father, Washington, has been fully performed by those great friends of mankind who have followed him. Under the kind protection of these earthly fathers, you have been taught that you have a Father above to whom you are accountable. It should be your pride to act up to the near relationship which exists between you and the United States. If the President practices towards you the kind treatment of father, it becomes your duty to return the obedience and gratitude of children. You have received this kindness from Government from the close of the Revolutionary War, up to the present time.

The President acknowledges that you deserved it by the steadiness of your fidelity. Your conduct as a nation has been peaceable and harmless, although some of your citizens have been, at times, restless and troublesome.

We doubt not but that some of our citizens are liable to the same charge. You have embraced the only opportunity which has occurred of showing that you are warriors, and that you are faithful to the country.

In the last war you were found bravely fighting by the side of the white man, your brother, against the enemies of liberty. These enemies would have seduced you if they could, and after making you traitors to your father, the President, they would have become traitors to you. Here would have followed a scene of desolation, at which every good man and Christian would weep. It was your fidelity which prevented it, and the hands of the red man and the white man were not raised against each other. The red man and the white man now are brothers, and long may they so continue.

Brothers, these remarks have grown out of feelings which have been inspired by our acquaintance with you.

Coming, as we do, clothed in the high authority of the United States, we are left to speak the undisguised sentiments of sincerity. We have done so, and hope, and expect, to be met in the same spirit of conciliation and friendship.

Having made these remarks, we now proceed to lay before you the subject of our mission. We know that it is one which you have anticipated, and upon which you have already expressed yourselves with some ear-

CORRESPONDENCE

Between Commissioners on the part of the United States, and the Council of the Cherokee Nation, in the year 1823.



A few days since we held court at Etowa. The penalty of the law was executed upon some of our young men, who had transgressed it. But you have not been deaf respecting it, for you have heard of it. We know what the laws require. But they are not obeyed here: For whenever our young men are assembled together, whiskey is not wanting. The principle