

chiefs during the time, should have endeared him to a more intelligent people. Halbutta is a good man, with lots of horse sense, and would have made an ideal chief half a century ago, when the functions of the government was to administer primitive justice to a primitive people, but now it is different. Something more than horse sense is needed. Efficiency and a knowledge of affairs of today are needed. Fortunately for the Seminoles the chief has been sheared of a great deal of his paternal power, the lands have been allotted and made individual property and the citizenship rolls cleared, or the new chief would probably be beset with all kinds of propositions, with hidden entangling schemes. Halbutta belongs to the ultra full blood element. He, as chief, will have to pass upon all leases in the nation, and there is danger that he will be illiberal and a hindrance to development. Beyond this his power for harm is small.