

U. S. Indian Agent, the Creeks, and conditioned upon the continued good behavior of the said John Jack.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Muscogee Nation, the day and year above written.

SAMUEL CHECOTE.

Principal Chief, Muscogee Nation.

B. E. Porter.

Private secretary.

John Jack for whom the above marriage permit was issued, called at this office on his way home from the mountains, where he had been sojourning for some time on account of bad health. Mr. Jack is an intelligent and seemingly well posted man, thoroughly conversant with the Indian question, Oklahoma movement and cattle industry. Being a squaw man and having lived with the Indians, of course, accounts greatly for his familiarity with the Indian question and the settlement of Oklahoma. This gentleman informed us that aside from the chiefs and a few shrewd Indian speculators, that every Indian and white man down there demanded the opening of Oklahoma to homestead settlement, at the earliest, possible moment; that, if it were not for the influence exercised over the Indians by the cattlemen, that country would have been opened to white settlement long ago; that the more civilized Indians demanded action on part of the government so that the civilizing influences of the white man might tend more rapid towards lifting the Indian