

Creeks, the word meaning wanderers. The Creeks lived exclusively along streams when in Alabama, and for that reason were called Creeks instead of Muskogee, which is their correct name.

The Seminoles remained in Florida many years after the Creeks came to Indian Territory. When they did come the Creeks did not admit them to their tribe again, but sold them the present Seminole nation and got a good round price for it. There are 363,578 acres in the Seminole nation and it is excellent land. Of this 344,989 acres has been allotted to the 2,752 citizens composing the tribe. There is left some 20,000 acres surplus land which will be sold and distributed to the benefit of the tribe.

The Seminoles were the first of the five tribes to make a treaty looking to the allotment of land in severalty, with the United States. Because they were the first the government was more liberal with them and every demand of the Seminoles was acceded to. By taking the lead the Seminoles got by far the best treaty that the government made. In this they were led by John Brown, one of the best chiefs that tribe ever had, He was for more than twenty years the head of the tribe, and being a man of intellect and sound judgment, he foresaw what must happen to the Indians and led them to