MESSAGE OF WARD COACHMAN

Executive Office M. N. Okmulke

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To the House of Kings and House of Warriors of The Muskoke Nation, in Council Assembled

Friends and fellow citisens,

It again becomes my duty as chief Executive to Address you upon this occasion of your annual assembling together. In doing so, I would first express my heart-felt gratitude and thanks to that great being who rules all nations and things by his own mighty word, for his manifold blessings upon us and the Muskoke people since your last assembling here; for his protection from that great scourge. The Yellow fever which as been sweeping over that portion of the United States at our wery doors; While thousands of our fellow beings have been stricken down, and carried away by disease, and many are destitute of the necessaries of life. Our people have been spared and blessed with health, peace, and prosperity generally. Our farmers with an abundant yield in their