

T Y P E S C R I P T

Executive Office Choctaw Nation  
June 20, 1865

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Enclosed you will find a copy of treaty stipulations entered into with the authorities of the United States. These treaty stipulations received the hearty concurrence of the people of the Arkansas District who are anxious to return to their homes, to look after their stock and other interests. I was anxious that the question should be settled without delay so that they might return to their homes.

You will see that these stipulations point to a Grand Council to convene the 1st day of September at Armstrong Academy at which time also I hope commissioners from Washington City will meet us. I wish the people to bear in mind that at the same time and place there will be convened a called session of the General Council of the Choctaw Nation, to action on any measures which may then and there adopted. The Commissioners with whom I have concluded these stipulations are worthy intelligent and honorable men and all who have seen them are pleased with them, and I have every reason to believe that our Nation will be able to maintain its former arrangements with the United States.

The kind case of our Heavenly father has spared our Nation the dessions and desolations which have visited some of the neighbouring nations and States, during the four years cruel civil strife which has been waged between different sections of the United States, <sup>and in which we had become involved</sup> and we ought to show our gratitude to God, for the fact that the war has been brought to a close and that the Choctaw Nation has not been crushed but that our Country yet remains and our people are undivided.

Now it becomes our people to settle down to a strict observance of law and good order and I hope you will be urge upon all in your District to unite in every effort to maintain order and

the authority of the laws of the land,  
and point out to them the danger of  
permitting any acts of disorder and  
lawlessness.

Our safety as a Nation and  
our hopes of successful arrangements  
in any future negotiations with the  
United States Government will be materially  
affected for good or evil by the measure  
of good order we may be able to maintain  
in our country.

Respectfully and truly,

P.P. Pitchlynn  
P.C., C.N.

To Edmond Gardner  
Chief, Apukshunnubbee District