

on the 5<sup>th</sup> January 1838 the Department instructed the Supt. to introduce some new regulations in the workshops, which had a very salutary effect. — Since that time they have flourished and continue to do well.

In each shop some few of the boys can do very good work and others rapidly improving. — At the last quarterly inspection a handsome profit was shown from the net proceeds of each of the shops — This net profit is to be divided among the boys who labor, when they shall have completed their trade and about to return home.

I feel very hopeful that much good will result to the different tribes whose sons are acquiring a knowledge of some of the most useful mechanical branches all of which is most respectfully submitted

Yours afft Servt  
Thos H. Hanson Supt

Report showing the condition of the workshops at the Choctaw Academy in Scott County Kentucky on the 30<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1838 the end of the third quarter

There are twenty two Indian youths, employed in learning the mechanical arts viz.

- 8 in the Tailorshop
- 8 in the Shoeshop
- 4 in the Smithshop
- 2 in the Wagon Shop

Previous to the 1<sup>st</sup> of January last owing to a good degree to a lack of money on the part of some of the foremen in the shops, they had somewhat declined and got into some disarray but the Department on the 5<sup>th</sup> of January, <sup>1838</sup> introduced some new regulations and instructed the Sup<sup>t</sup> to put them into operation which was strictly attended to; and in addition two of the foremen were dismissed and others engaged to take their places. Since which time they have flourished and regained their lost credit — two of the foremen were dismissed and others employed to fill the vacancies. Some of the boys in the Tailorshop can do good work and be fair to make excellent workmen — In the Shoe Shop. a few can make fine shoes and decent boots. — in the Smith and Wagon shops equal improvement is making at the end of the last two quarters a handsome profit was shown from the work of each shop. — This net profit is to be divided among the boys when they complete their trades and leave the institution.

I feel hopeful that much good will result to the different tribes whose sons are acquiring a knowledge of some of the most useful mechanical arts — more particularly those who will be permitted to remain until they obtain a thorough knowledge of the trade and a respectable education.

Most respectfully  
Thos. Wm. Anderson Sup<sup>t</sup>

Report for the 30<sup>th</sup> Sept.  
1838

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