To the Heads men of the Creek Nation, The Talk of Nathan Providence Governor of the Council of Georgia

Friends & Brothers

Your Talk in answer to our talk, we have received by our two old friends

You say, you want to live in peace & quiety with us, and to keep the chain of friendship bright, between you and us. We wish the same, and that the friendship may be clear and warm like the sun, and that it may last as long as the sun shall shine.

But we fear while you keep among you brave lying people, who think for your blood, which they dare not attempt to take themselves, nor to look up in the face, but wish by a few goods to have you to fill your own blood in attempting to sell them with ours, while they hide themselves behind your wife of fiddles. I say I fear they will one day instigate you young men people to break the path between us, which it is our wish to keep open.

You say you are poor, as well as we, it is war that has made us poor, war has taught us to earn our warm houses, if to labor together under the sun, and to change our spacious tables for scanty meat and our feather beds for the ground. But this poverty has made us all warriors, it learned us to beat the English when we can find them.

You say you suffer, you know suffer much now, but this we bear patiently, like most warriors looking forward to see our Country & our Wives & children...
Our dear friends, we are happy to tell you that the war is almost over. Our Generals, Washington and Cornwallis, have defeated the English in Virginia. Washington is now coming with his army to help us finish the war.

You may know that our great warriors have talked to us on that head, to our two Brothers, who came down with our two old friends.

We have sent our talk to you by a friend to us to our Great Council Fire at Philadelphia, and have directed them to appoint some able men to hold a treaty with your Red men, and to furnish you with goods from the Northward, till we can drive the English from Charleston, Savannah, when we shall be able to supply you fully.

You desire us to write to our friends, the Governor, who you say, you know has an intention to supply you. We know they have, and believe the reason they do not supply you, is you killing Brown dying people among you, if you desire them up, we do not doubt but they will supply you, and if you do not, it will not do any good for us to write to them.

N. Brownson
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Indians

Chief Mother

The Mocha Tree

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