



# *Beyond Penn's Treaty*

## *Some Account of Rachel Coope (Journal B)*

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them in the feeling embraces of endearing  
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us company to M. Embrees, there we  
took an affectionate farewell of dear  
James and his Wife, and <sup>we</sup> parted with  
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abundance under a feeling sympathy for  
him, & ardent desires were raised in my  
heart, that he might be enriched with  
that Peace, now in his lonesome and  
advanced stage of life, which is the  
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time attended our Minds, of offering  
ourselves to go and reside some time  
among the Indian nations near the  
Allegheny River, to endeavour to instruct  
them in Agriculture, Spinning, Dairying  
&c, and having obtained the Unity and  
Sympathy of our <sup>frd</sup> at home, and also  
the concurrence of the Yearly Meetings  
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21<sup>st</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> day A fine morning, after a smart  
shower, taking breakfast, we parted  
with our Brother, and set off at 6, we  
went to the Rising Star Tavern then were  
we fed our horses, and took some re-  
freshment ourselves in the Wagon, then  
pursuing our journey to Wm Brinton's  
son, but neither he nor his wife being at  
home we proposed going on, but the  
Grand Mother, who was there on a visit, &  
daughters insisted on our going in, an  
excellent dish of coffee was soon pre-  
pared which was very grateful, we  
then proceeded on & got to our Bro-  
ther Griffith Johnson about 4 o'clock  
where we lodged, Wm <sup>Embree</sup> met us here  
agreeably to appointment and went  
with us through the journey, he put  
his Horse to the Wagon which with  
our two made three in number,  
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at Lancaster we fed our horses and got  
some necessaries for our journey, then  
set off, Brother going a piece to put us  
in the right Road, 3 miles from Lancaster  
we crossed little Lanestock, we proceeded  
along being entire strangers, the Roads  
exceedingly bad and cut in holes with  
heavy loaded Waggon, and very muddy,  
tho the Country was beautiful, fine grain  
and clover, crossed big Chickisalango  
a large stream 9 miles from Lancaster, got  
some refreshment for ourselves and horses  
at Shellers Tavern, then proceeded on our  
Journey to Elisabeth Town 9 miles, where  
we arrived a while before sunset, the  
Roads still bad, the land good, the more  
hilly than near Lancaster, My atten-  
tion has been so taken up with viewing  
the Roads and Country that I have had  
but little serious reflection, yet have  
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in waiting on me, it was a time of  
much Rude Company here, and they  
were drinking and Fighting most of  
the night so that we were very much  
disturbed, indeed their conduct I did  
so impress my Mind with sorrow, that  
I could not refrain from weeping.

31 miles

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traveled several miles on the bank  
of the River, good road, cool Morn-  
ing, considerable white frost.  
Stopped at David Shannons 8 miles, where  
we got a very good Breakfast and  
grain for our Horses. As soon as we  
got into the House I discovered  
something was the matter with our  
Landlord, he made such heavy moans,  
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good looking place, and materials  
ready for Building his House, and  
that I saw no sufficient cause for him to  
be discouraged, he said he had been  
a hand working man, and helped  
through many difficulties by the  
hand of Providence, but all was  
as nothing to him now, we told him  
that hand that hand which had hi-  
-ther to helped him, would continue  
to help if he did but rely upon, and  
put his trust in it, he said he had  
strove with all his might but he  
could not help his situation, if he  
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of us as he is now, he would have  
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may be cast. we lodged at the Bear  
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set out about 4, crossed Conowago moun-  
tain and creek, the Hills exceedingly Rocky, the  
Roads rather better near Middletown, some of  
the land good, we forded Sweetcraw Creek  
a large wide water and so deep as to run  
into the Wagon Bed, we got to Middletown  
in Dauphin County to Breakfast 8 miles  
here I sent a few lines home by a friend from  
Philadelphia. 9 O'clock proceeded on our  
Journey, through a beautiful Valley and  
very fertile Country for several miles,  
about 11 we got in sight of the River, the  
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structed by a large Ridge of Limestone  
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the land good, ytf we forded Sweetaraw Creek  
a large wide ytf water and so deep as to run  
into the Waggon Bed, we got to Middletown  
in Dauphin County to Breakfast 8 ytf miles  
here I sent a few lines home by a fnd from  
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Stone Bridge, then passed through Harris-  
burgh a considerable <sup>Town</sup> and beautifully  
situated, having a fine prospect of the  
River, we <sup>then</sup> travelled 7 miles close on the  
Bank of D. River, with considerable <sup>distance</sup> of a  
fine cultivated Country on the Right, the  
River flowing close on the left, and a great  
many Locusts Trees in full bloom on each  
hand made the prospect truly delightful,  
but after a calm sometimes comes a storm,  
we now crossed Fishing Creek a large  
stream, and then for three miles it was a  
astonishing to behold the romantic appear-  
ance, one rough stony Cartway near  
the River and great Rocks from 400  
to 600 feet high hanging, as it were,  
over our heads, we then crossed Stony  
Creek and put up at Elders Tavern 10 mi  
we are now at the foot of the blue Moun-  
tain having gone round it by the side  
of Susquehanna. it is computed to be  
600 feet high. and I could scarcely keep  
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had a very good road tho a little hilly  
with some spots of cultivated <sup>land</sup> for about  
2 miles, then crossed Clarks Creek and  
prepared to ascend Peters Mountain,  
the road pretty good, we were 1 1/4 hour go-  
ing over it, called Two Miles, it was  
remarkable to see several lively Springs  
near its Summit. Shortly after we left  
this Mountain we crossed Pouells Creek  
a large stream, and had an excellent  
Road to Halifax a small Town, <sup>10 miles</sup>  
here we got Breakfast, <sup>and are in sight of the River</sup> some parts of the  
last stage cultivated, the grain chiefly Rye,  
some fields of a changeable Red with some  
Clover. the Soil gravelly and of a Red-  
dish colour. Started at 9, crossed Armstrong  
Creek, passed along a very rough road,  
with some rain, close on the River, at the  
foot of Bryers Mountain, then crossed Win-  
pinibky Creek <sup>a stream</sup> as large as Brandywine,  
we now began to get among the Pines,  
a few places, here and there cultivated,  
the Soil not very productive, poor look-  
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over, we then crossed Mahantango Creek  
over a high Frame Bridge, this is a large  
stream, we were then a little surprised  
with the Road turning so much easterly,  
but we found it was to lead us through  
a gap in a Mountain, we have <sup>had</sup> a num.  
ber of such gaps to go through between  
great Mountains, indeed for many miles  
back there is very little but Mountains.  
we got to a Dutch house a while before  
night, 10 miles, but every thing looked  
so dirty, that with their leave, we prepar-  
ed out of the Wagon, our own supper,  
and went to bed, but there was our  
greatest mortification, we had not  
been <sup>long</sup> in bed, before the Landlady, sent  
two Men who were travelers into  
our Room to lodge in another Bed,  
My Husband and I am sleeping in the  
Wagon as usual, we lay very quiet  
and rose before day. 30 miles

25<sup>th</sup> day had a very rough Road 4 miles to  
Hoonstons Tavern, where we wished  
to have gotten last evening, we then  
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with the Road turning so much easterly,  
but we found it was ytf to lead us through  
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ceeded, passed through a small Village,  
crossed Munsy Creek a large stream,  
and got to William Ellis's  $\frac{1}{2}$  past 12,  
10 miles. They were gone to meeting  
and it seemed pleasant to be among  
pro again, having scarcely had the  
sight of one since we left Lancaster,  
this Afternoon I wrote home, and  
in the evening the family were col-  
lected, and William Ellis Jun<sup>r</sup> read  
several chapters in the Testament,  
wherein a comfortable time of silence  
was witnessed to prevail. 18 miles  
27<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> day, this morning washed some clothes  
3 o'clock P. M. set out on our journey, had  
a good Road the mostly through the Woods,  
crossed Loyalsock a large Water, got  
to William's <sup>port</sup> the Capital of Lycoming County  
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frailty, excepted aided and ytf supported  
by an Almighty Power, than I had  
heretofore known. ½ past 8 ytf pro-  
ceeded, passed through a small Village,  
crossed Munsy Creek, a large stream,  
and got to ytf William Ellis's ½ past 12,  
10 miles. ytf They were gone to meeting  
and it seemed pleasant to be among  
fnd sytf again, having scarcely had the  
sight of one since we left Lancaster .  
this Afternoon I wrote home, ytf and  
in the evening the family were col-  
lected, and William Ellis Junior read  
several Chapters in ytf the Testament,  
wherein a Comfortable time of silence  
was witnessed to ytf prevail. 18 miles ytf  
3 OClock PM set out on our Journey, ytf had  
a good Road tho mostly through the Woods,  
Crossed Loyalsock a large Water, got  
to William's port , the Capital of Lycoming County  
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Comfortably ytf accommodated, we had the  
Company of William ytf Ellis, who was there  
on business 12 miles ytf ytf ytf

ytf ytf

27 th 2nd day, ytf this morning washed some



28th 3<sup>rd</sup> day, Started this Morning a  
little after 14, in about 1 mile we stopped  
at a house<sup>to</sup> by buy some grain for  
the Horses, being informed that it  
was so scarce an Article further a  
head that we should not be able to  
procure any as we went along, Cou-  
sin and I stopped into a little house by  
the side <sup>of the road</sup>, while the Men were getting  
the grain, where we met with a Fa-  
mily from Chester County, Bailey is by name  
who invited us to eat Breakfast, which  
kindness we accepted of, and proceed-  
ing we crossed Lycoming Creek a large  
Water, then passed through a small  
Village called Newberry, and ascen-  
ded the Hill, then went through a  
Wilderness Country very Mountainous  
5 miles to one Brook's, the Men took  
their Breakfast of a Cup of Milk and  
Rye bread while the Horses were feeding  
2<sup>nd</sup> part of started, a very rough Road to  
the foot of the Allegany 6 miles, where  
we fed the Horses, had a Rock for our  
Table, some of our Wagon Stone, with



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ytf                    28 th 3rd day, ytf Started this Morning a little after 4, in about 1 mile we stoped at aytf house to by buy some Grain for the Horses, being informed that it was soytf scarce an Article further ahead that we should not be able to procureytf any as we went along, Cousin and I steped into a little house by theytf Side of the land; while the Men were geting the grain, where we met with aytf Family from Chester County, Bailys by name who invited us to eatytf Breakfast, which kindness we accepted of, and proceeding we crossedytf Lycoming Creek a large Water, thenytf passed through a small Village called Newberry , and ascended the Hill, then went throughytf a Wilderness Country very Moutainous 5 miles to one Brook's, the Menytf took their Breakfast of a Cup of Milk and Rye bread while the Horsesytf were feeding ½ past 9 started, a very rough Road to the foot of theytf Allegany 6 miles, where we fed theytf Horses, had a Rock for our Table, some of our Waggon store, with



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ward the Top of the Mountain, serv-  
ed to refresh the weary Travelers,  
but no peace for them, nor the Horses,  
by reason of such swarms of little  
Insects. & past one we moved forward,  
the Road excessive stony, computed  
to be 6 $\frac{1}{2}$  Miles over, which we were  
3 $\frac{3}{4}$  hours going, we put up at  
Hookers just at the other side, were  
were some of the tallest Pines. Hem-  
locks &c that I ever saw 17 $\frac{1}{2}$  miles

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over a hill, had a very rough  
swampy road along a Valley between  
great Mountains, through such an a-  
marzing thicket of Pines &c, and the  
weather being a little cloudy, that it  
looked almost dark, Cousin and I  
I having prepared ourselves with  
staves, while we were traveling  
along before the Wagon, we heard  
a noise, and looking back to <sup>see</sup> what was  
the matter, we found, that as the Wagon



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muddy place, a Bed that we had tied  
up in a Blanket, but was not suffi-  
ciently secured, slipped out of the  
fore end of the Wagon down into  
the Mud, and a bottle of Milk that  
we had purchased for Breakfast  
which was stuffed within the Blanket  
slipped out, yet it received no da-  
mage, we took the blanket off the  
bed and tied it up in the Sheet, and  
proceeded on, Washing the Blan-  
ket at the first Creek we came to,  
and sufficiently securing it on the  
Top of the Wagon Cover to dry. we  
presently came on a lively Stream  
of Water, which followed the Road for  
several Miles crossing it a great many  
times, the last of which times the  
bridge being gone, I observed a sap-  
ling across the stream about 2 yards  
from the Water, and on attempting  
to go over on it, when I got a-  
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Yet as I had got my feet wet, we  
concluded to make a fire and get  
our Breakfast, and feed the horses. continuing  
through the Wilderness we came to  
Pine Creek, in five or 6 miles crossed  
it thirteen times, got to Morris Mills  
about 12 O'clock 12<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Miles from where  
we lodged. When at William Collies we  
met with Francis Kings daughter, and  
she told us we could not get the Wag-  
gon through the Wilderness to her Fa-  
thers, and at this Mill we recieved  
the like information, which account  
was very discouraging. after feeding  
our Horses & getting some dinner we  
set off, half past two, Cousin & I set  
off on foot, having a Mountain <sup>to</sup> as-  
cend we got a great distance before  
the Waggon, ~~and~~ and stopping at one  
Jacksons, until the Waggon came up,  
they appeared glad to see us, tho. no ac-  
quaintance, the <sup>woman</sup> said she was pleased  
to see us so chearfull, but her hus-  
band said it would take us 6 weeks  
to get to Kings Settlement with the  
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moved from Chester County, and got  
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name was Daniel, and used to live  
some where about Middletown in  
Delaware County, we lodged here, <sup>18<sup>th</sup> m</sup>

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proposing to get our Breakfast  
at Moses Wilsons, which was 5<sup>miles</sup>  
on our way and the first house  
we would come to, but when  
we arrived at it, the house was  
empty, and no body left to en-  
quire of, for here we were to get  
further information, but being  
a ~~little~~ cold, and a great way before  
the Wagon, we made bold to open  
the door and go in, where we found  
a little fire, which we kindled  
up and sat warming ourselves  
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3 miles. at 11 O'clock we bid our kind  
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and Moses Wilson <sup>junr</sup> holding the Wag-  
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Road, we then got help from one Boat-  
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hours to open the Road to his House,  
so as to get the Waggon along, tho it  
was not half a Mile, here it looked  
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families here, and no neighbours  
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nearly out of Provision, and no Mill  
within 20 miles, the Woman said she could  
supply us with Milk and butter, but that  
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us to the next house, which wasytf about 8 miles. at 11 OClock we bid our kind fnd s farewell and pursuedytf our Journey, Cousin and I going before, giving Warning of theytf difficult places, My Husband and Moses Wilson Junr holding the Waggon, theytf banks were so steep and sidling that it appeared impossible to getytf along without upsetting. in a while we crossed another large branch ofytf the Pine Creek, and after traveling a pieceytf further we got stoped by the trees that were across the Road, we thenytf got help from one Boatmans, and it took 5 men near two hours to openytf to Road to his House, so as to get the Waggon along, tho it was not halfytf a Mile, here it looked likely we must leave it, tho we endeavoured toytf hire help to go with us to Kingsytf Settlement to assist in opening the Road, but there were but two ytf families here, and no neighbours near, and they busy planting cornytf & nearly out of Provisation, and no Mill within 20 miles, the Womanytf said she could supply us with Milk and butter, but that she had nothingytf else except a little Veneson



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Coffee that we had prepared for our  
Dinner, we now got to unloading  
our Waggon, and packing up our  
goods suitable to be carried on horse  
back, we laped up one Bed in the  
Waggon Cover, which Cover served us  
for a Tent the two nights we lodged in  
the Woods, we sewed up a sheet ~~and~~  
and filled it and a Bag with Cloath  
ing &c and after other arrangements  
the day was so far spent, we concluded  
to stay all night, we got supper,  
put some Bread to rise, and went  
to Bed.

31<sup>st</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> day a clear cold Morning, very  
white frost, some clothes I washed  
last night were frozen stiff, baked  
Bread, got Breakfast, and after load  
ing our Horses, about 9 o'clock set out  
on our journey <sup>cheerful</sup> ~~pretty~~, tho we stoutly  
loaded our three Horses, yet we were  
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and two large Trunks, hoping to get  
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she was about three years Old, and had  
lived among them ever since, she  
cannot talk any English, we got  
some Milk of them to eat with our  
Bread, then proceeded, and by  
5 O'clock got to Tunenapsah, where  
my dear Benjamin was burning  
brush, and William at work with  
the Planes, they were all glad to see  
us, as we were to get home and see  
them, 40 miles

7th of the 6th day we got to wash-  
ing some of our dirty clothes, a great  
many of the natives came to see us  
through the course of this day, and  
among our Visitters, was Corn-  
Planters Sister, who said she was  
glad the good Spirit had brought us  
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on through the Wilderness, up the Pine  
Creek until about one, when we turn-  
ed our Horses out to pasture while  
we prepared our Dinner, there being  
plenty of fine grass on the bottoms  
near the Creek, about 2 O'clock we started  
and journeyed <sup>on</sup> until 2 past 6, then  
pitched camp, and prepared for  
a Nights Lodging in the Woods, we  
put forks in the ground, and with  
our Wagon Cover, made a pretty  
good Tent, then after taking some  
Chocolate went to Bed, tho our lodg-  
ing was pretty comfortable yet I  
got but little sleep, by the marks  
on the trees we came 15 miles

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travelled till 8 then stopped and got  
Breakfast, it is almost impossible  
to tell how often we have crossed  
Pine Creek since we first came on  
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:ters of the Allegeny, and towards  
evening at the foot of a Mountain  
where we had plenty of Water, we  
pitched our camp, and prepared  
for Lodging, had a good nights rest  
after a fatiguing days Journey of  
26 miles, Cousin walking all the  
way, & the greater part, She did it  
of choice,

2<sup>nd</sup> 1 day of the Week a cloudy Morning  
set out at 5 O'clock, ~~travelling~~ until  
traveling until 8, on crossing  
Spruce Creek, a Branch of the Allegeny,  
it began to Rain, we pitched camp &  
got Breakfast, started at 9 and  
arrived at John Belts at 12 in Kings  
Settlement his Wife seeing us coming  
ran out to meet us with Tears run-  
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112 miles

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River to Robert Hoops's, we might  
next day reach Tunasapah, where  
we were anxious to get, we left Fran-  
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Hoops's about 7 and were kindly  
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all night but being desirous to  
get to our destined home, thought  
if we could get 12 miles down the  
River to Robert Hoops's, we might  
next day reach Tunesassah, where  
we were anxious to get, we left Francis's about 3 his son and daughter going with us, but before we had got far it began to thunder, and the Gust increased, until it became a very great rain, we stopped at a little Cabin a While until the heaviest of it was over, but our Bed, Clothes &c were on the Horses I was afraid they would get very Wet, and having nothing but a foot path to travel and the Bushes thick and Wet, made it very disagreeable getting along, we got to Robert Hoops's about 7 and were kindly received by his Housekeeper, he not being at home, but was out looking after Provision, in several places where we have been latterly been it has been the case, scarce of Provisions

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we having some with us, got ~~our~~  
own supper and went to bed 15<sup>th</sup>

4<sup>th</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> day Cloudy and like for Rain, my  
Husband, and W<sup>m</sup> Embree with 2 things  
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:posing to get Joel Swain with some  
other help to bring up a canoe to  
<sup>take</sup> us and our baggage down

5<sup>th</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> day of the week, this day has  
been spent with anxious desires  
to see a canoe, we feel very dull  
and lonesome, two days waiting.

6<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> day Rose early, got break-  
fast and set of with a man that  
was going down the River, and in  
about 11 miles we met Joel Swain &  
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Almighty

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and the young men here having sent  
an address to them, they told him they  
would confer together and let us know.

11th 3<sup>rd</sup> day We received word from  
the Indians; that they had concluded  
to meet in council in three days, at  
a place called Cold Spring  $3\frac{1}{2}$  miles  
from this place,

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thanks to the great Spirit in bringing  
us safely through our long journey,  
also, that so many of them were col-  
lected there to day, desiring the War-  
riors to pay attention to what should  
be communicated to them, then in-  
formed they were ready to hear ~~what~~  
<sup>say before them</sup> what we had to ~~say~~, Henry Ochal Com-  
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The Address from the Committee  
on our behalf was first read, then part  
of an Epistle to the Women, likewise  
a speech from the young men residing  
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&c. They were also informed, notwith-  
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great Spirit has preserved you, Wo-  
men on so long a journey, and that  
they are arrived safe in our country, &  
we are much pleased they are going to  
stay amongst us to instruct our Wo-  
men, We return thanks to the great  
Spirit that he has put this into your  
Hearts, we wish you therefore to  
make your minds easy. They also  
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an answer, as two of the heads  
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Brothers attend

You know we have  
often tolde to you about opening <sup>good</sup> a Road  
from this Town to Tunasapah in or-  
der to make it more easy for your  
People to come to Mill, if you will  
Join together and open this Road, we  
have concluded to give you 7000  
feet of Boards, this will enable you  
to finish your Houses, to have them  
warm against next Winter.

Brothers, you know we began to  
grind for you about the time you  
were making sugar last Spring, we  
will continue to grind for you untill  
next season for sugar making, with-  
out taking toll which will make  
one year. And if any of you want  
boards we will ~~sell~~ sell them to you  
for four shillings <sup>per</sup> ~~£~~ but we dont  
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Brothers these advantages which we now propose unto you, are intended to encourage you to pursue habits of Industry and Sobriety, we wish you to keep your Minds strong to pursue this path, then we think your Substance will increase, and the great Spirit will bless your Labours.

Brothers we don't want to tire your Ears with <sup>many</sup> words, but it affords us much Satisfaction to see your Industry this Spring, in enclosing so many fields to plant Corn &c in, and that you continue your good resolution against the use of Spirituous Liquors, we repeat it again, be strong in your Minds against this great Enemy, and never let him rise up again, we have all united our Minds together in this Speech, and shall deliver you a copy of it, in order that your memories may be kept bright.

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