

THE CHEROKEE COUNCIL.

RICHMOND, Nov. 28.

It is amusing to read the Proceedings of the General Council of the Cherokee Nation. They have adopted most of our legal and parliamentary terms—though the scale to which they are brought down is so small and original, that the contrast appears ludicrous enough.

Thus on the 8th inst. they had a "bill on the Judiciary"—and it provides for the establishment of one District Court in each District. The salary of each Judge is fixed at *sixty dollars!*

They have a *Treasurer*, and a resolution is adopted to require him to keep his office at Echota during the sitting of the General Council. They have of course a Treasury—and an appropriation is made for purchasing an iron chest for its use.

A resolution was adopted, (which is certainly not according to our fashions,) that "it shall not be lawful to exact pikeage, *tollage*, or *ferrriage* from citizens of the Nation at *any* of the turn-pikes, toll bridges, and ferries, within the Cherokee Nation." It seems to make no odds with these simple people, unused as they are to the mysteries of charters and incorporations, whether said bridges and ferries had been *authorized* before the passage of the resolution or not.

They have also anti-gaming laws—and they have extended the act of Nov. 8th, 1822, which prohibits gaming at cards under certain specified penalties, so as to forbid all persons from gaming at dice, roulette, or *thimbles*, under the same penalties as are prescribed for gaming at cards.

They treat Wm. Robinson rightly for his dissolute behaviour. This gay Lothario prays to be restored to all the rights and privileges possessed by other white men by marriage. The Committee unanimously reject his petition, upon the ground that he was never *lawfully married*, had *two or three other white wives*, and had left them all *without being divorced!*—*Compiler.*