

We refer our readers to the last page of this paper for the President's talk to the Cherokees, and Mr. Secretary Eaton's answer to the Delegation which recently waited on him at Washington. We never had a doubt that the correct and discriminating mind of the President would at once see the propriety and justice of our claim to the Indian lands, and seeing it would as promptly take measures to put us in possession of that which had been most solemnly guaranteed to us by existing treaties. Georgia has long since performed her part of the contract, and nothing but wilful blindness, on the part of Mr. Adams, could have prevented him from carrying the stipulations of the agreement into effect on the part of the United States. As long as he was in office, the Cherokees (or rather a few of their more cunning leaders) buoyed themselves up with the hope that they would be protected by the arm of power, against the claims of Georgia and Alabama. Mr. Eaton's decided answer to the Cherokee delegates has given the death-blow to these hopes, and some of the most influential families are now making preparations to emigrate to the west of the Mississippi. Among them is the family of Hicks, who before his death was principal chief. They will be followed by the general mass (who of themselves have but little choice of place) and before the end of the year we hope they will be lodged in comfort and security on the lands provided for them by government.