

The Committee to whom was referred the address of the Chiefs of the Tuscoroa Nation, beg leave to report

That on a conference with the said Chiefs agreeably to the instructions of the Committee, they agreed to relinquish on the part of their nation their claim to the said lands after the expiration of the lease made to Robert Jones and others in the year 1766 on the conditions that the General Assembly would pass a law enabling them to lease the undemised part of their lands, and lengthen the short lease in the manner proposed in their address, and facilitate the payment and receipt of the rents on the present leases; your Committee are of opinion that it would be good policy to meet them on this ground, as the interest of all parties will be promoted by it, the Indians will be satisfied, such persons as may have grants located on that land before the year

1748, will now see a prospect of reducing their claims into possession and the State effects the extinguishment of the Indian claim without expence.

The Indian Chiefs agree to carry this arrangement into effect in any manner that may be thought expedient. The Commissioner of the United States remains here to give such agreement the necessary sanction & form, and desires that two or three persons may be appointed as agents or as a Committee to see the agreement executed and to satisfy the Legislature that it is made in due conformity with the propositions agreed on in conference with your Committee.

Your Committee beg leave to report a Bill to carry this agreement into effect on the part of the State.

All which is Submitted

D. Matthews Ch

House of Commons 3 December 1852

Resolved that Mr Cameron and Mr  
Edward Harris be appointed Commissioners  
on the part of this State, to see the  
agreement to which this report refers  
executed.

By order  
Wm Hunt clk

A. Labaree Sp.

In Senate Decem 3<sup>rd</sup> AD 1852

Read & concurred with, &

Resolved that Mr Gurney & Mr Benford  
be appointed Commissioners on the part  
of this House to execute in  
behalf of this State the agreement or  
contract referred to in this report.

By order  
Wm Stokes clk

J. K. Edwards Sp.

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Report of the Committee  
on the address of the Chiefs of  
The Tuscorora Nation

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A Bill for the relief of the Tuscarora Nation  
of Indians

Whereas the Indians composing the Tuscarora nation have by their chief Saccorus and other regularly deputed and authorized requested the concurrence of the General Assembly of this State, to enable them to lease or demise for a number of years the residue of their lands situate in the County of Bertie in such manner that the whole of the lease on said land shall terminate at the same time and in the same period

1 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of North Carolina and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That the said chief Saccorus, Longboard, and Samuel Smith, or a majority of them be and they are hereby authorized to lease and to farm let the undemised residue of their lands, <sup>allotted to the Tuscarora nation</sup> in Bertie County for a term of years that shall expire and end when the lease made by the Tuscarora nation to Robert Jones and others in the year one thousand seven hundred and sixty

Sixty six shall end and expire, and also  
to extend the term, or terms, of the leases already  
made or granted for a shorter term, to a  
term or terms which shall expire at the  
same times with the said leases made in the  
year one thousand seven hundred and sixty  
six, in such parcels and on such rents and  
conditions as may be approved by the Commissioners  
appointed in pursuance of this act  
~~xxxxxxx~~ ~~xxxxxxx~~ ~~xxxxxxx~~, and which may best promote  
the interest and convenience of the said Indian  
nations

And whereas some difficulties have  
arisen respecting the receipt and payment of the

rents on some of the present leases

2. Be it further enacted that the said  
chiefs or a majority of them, be and they are  
hereby authorized to make such alterations by  
covenant or agreement respecting the payment  
and receipt of ~~any~~ <sup>any</sup> of the rents due, or that  
may become due on any of the existing leases  
as the Commissioners appointed in pursuance of  
this act or a majority of them shall approve

Whereas the said Indian Chiefs are ignorant  
<sup>usual</sup> of the forms of business, and may want advice and  
assistance in transacting the business respecting their  
lands for remedy whereof and to prevent their being  
injured.

Be it further enacted That

be and they are hereby  
appointed Commissioners for the said Indians  
and no lease, grant, demising, covenant or agreement  
made by said Indians or of or on said respect-  
ing said lands or the rents thereof shall be  
good or valid in law, unless

In Senate Decem<sup>r</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> 1802

Read the second  
time, amended &

passed

By order

W. Stokes clk

House of Commons Dec<sup>r</sup>  
1802 read the third time,  
amended & passed

By order

W. Hunt S. C.

In Senate Decem<sup>r</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> 1802

Read the third

time & passed:

Ordered to be

engrossed

By order

W. Stokes clk

Orig<sup>l</sup>. 1802.

A Bill for the relief of  
the Tuscorora nation of  
Indians -

In House of Commons

2<sup>d</sup> December 1802 read  
the first time and passed

By order

W. Hunt

In Senate Decem<sup>r</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> 1802

Read the first

time & passed

By order

W. Stokes clk

Mr. Arington &

Mr. Hooker

In the H. Commons Dec<sup>r</sup>  
1802 read the second time  
amended & passed

By order

W. Hunt S. C.

To be read on Wednesd<sup>y</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> Decem<sup>r</sup>

Be it further enacted that the Governor shall appoint three Commissioners for the purpose of carrying the provisions of this act into effect and no lease, grant, demise covenant or agreement made by said Indian Chiefs or of or said respecting said lands, or the rents thereof, shall be good or valid in law, unless the same shall be approved by said Commissioners or a majority of them, and such approbation shall be expressed in writing, and annexed or endorsed on such lease covenant or agreement and registered in the Register office of the County of Bertie together with said lease or agreement.

And the said Commissioners shall receive the sum of <sup>shillings</sup> twenty five per day for their compensation and expenses to be paid out of the monies received by the said Chiefs on leasing said lands.

And be it further enacted that the occupancy and possession of the tenants under the said leases heretofore confirmed by act or acts of the General Assembly and such leases as may be made under this act, shall be held and deemed in all cases whatsoever the occupancy and possession of the said Tuscarora nation, to all intents and purposes as if the said nation or the Indians thereof or any of them actually resided on said lands



Whereas the said chiefs Taccorosa  
Longboard and Samuel Smith, being duly  
and fully authorized and empowered by the said  
Tuscorora nation, have consented that the  
Indian claim to the unpopulated and occu-  
-pancy of said lands shall cease and be  
extinguished, when the said lease made in the  
year one thousand seven hundred and sixty  
six to Robert Jones and others shall expire

Be it enacted, That from and after the twentieth  
day of July which shall be in the year one  
thousand nine hundred and sixteen the whole  
of the lands allotted to the said Tuscorora

Indians by an act of the General Assembly passed  
at Newbern on the fifteenth day of October in  
the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred  
and forty eight shall revert to and become  
the property of the State, and the Indian  
claim thereto shall from that time be held and  
deemed <sup>forever</sup> extinguished, ~~and that~~ ~~it shall~~ ~~there~~  
and after that time, until the said twentieth  
day of July which shall be in the year one  
thousand nine hundred and sixteen

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And provided further that ~~the~~ no  
bids shall be made but by pub  
lic auction, of which due notice  
shall be given in the Halepan  
& Edenburgh newspapers.

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provided always that nothing in this Act  
contained shall be construed so as to effect  
the Title of any Individual —

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Pravided near the top, that no later  
Parcel of lands, laid, or under the  
Comptroler of the said Commissions,  
Shall exceed two hundred acres

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and Be it further enacted, that  
after the said Lands shall revert to  
the State, if the same or any part  
thereof shall be vacant, they shall  
~~not~~ the same shall not be held  
to the entry or entries of any person  
or persons without an express act  
of the Legislature to that effect, provided  
always that it shall not be ~~lawful~~ lawful for  
any person or persons to make any entry or  
entries on the said Lands after the passing of this  
act.

The Committee who were appointed to examine the  
Treaty proposed to be made between the United States  
and the Tuscarora Nation of Indians - Report

That they have examined the same, and were  
present at the signing and execution of the said Treaty,  
and that the said Treaty has been made in exact con-  
formity to the agreement made between the Chiefs and  
the Committee appointed to confer with them on that  
Subject, and the Report and Bill reported to the  
House -

Submitted

Dem Barrow  
Chairman

Reported in the House of Commons  
6<sup>th</sup> December 1807

By order  
Aunt C. H.

North Carolina

In Senate 9. Dec. 1802

The House taking the  
following report into consideration  
Resolved that they do concur  
therewith.

By order

J. Stokes clk