

pressed, the inhabitants erected numerous small buildings on this reservation, which have generally been converted into grog shops, and are a very great annoyance to the Garrison. This subject, I have understood, has frequently been urged upon the attention of the Department, and I think it worthy of serious consideration. I have now given you a concise geographical sketch of the Menominie country, generally, and have attempted to add a statistical view, more particularly, of the Green Bay settlement.

I have thought this necessary to enable those who may examine the provisions of the Menominie Treaty, to form a more correct idea, and perhaps a better estimate, of the country which is ceded to the United States, and of the advantages offered to those for whom it provides, than if I confined my description alone to the ceded territory. History has yet taken but little notice of this country, or I should not have presumed to adopt this course; nor would I have done so if this communication was intended for your consideration only, as I am aware that your knowledge of the country is too accurate to be improved by any history of mine. I will now proceed to exhibit to you the present location of the New York Indians, who have removed upon the land they claim from the Menominies, under their Treaty stipulations of 1821 and '22; and will then give you a particular description of the country provided for them, by the late Treaty, in accordance with my instructions.

The whole number of Notaways or New York Indians, men, women, children, who have emigrated to this country, and are now settled here, is according to their own estimate, *five hundred and ninety-eight*, exclusive of about twenty Brothertown Indians who came here this fall. Of this number, the Oneidas claim 365; and the Stockbridges, including some Munces who have joined their tribe, claim 232; these, with the Rev. Eleazer Williams,¹ a half breed of the St. Regis Tribe, compose the body of the New York Indians settled in the Menominie country, who have occupied no

¹ See Wight's "Eleazer Williams," *Parkman Club Papers*, No. 7; also, numerous accounts in previous volumes of *Wis. Hist. Colls.*—Ed.