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We, whose names are subscribed, take pleasure in certifying that we have carefully examined the Creek Grammar, and Translation of the Gospel according to John, by H. F. BUCKNER and G. HERROD; and that, in our opinion, they are more correct than any thing that ever has been published in the Creek language, and that they are as nearly correct, in every particular, as it is possible to make them at this stage of the language. Moreover, the changes which Mr. BUCKNER has made in the Creek Alphabet are important, and a decided improvement upon the old one.

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GRAMMAR

OF THE

MASKOKE, OR CREEK LANGUAGE.

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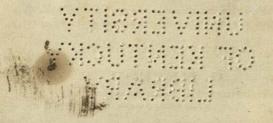
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INTRODUCTION.

THERE are several considerations, apart from the necessity of correct translations, of sufficient importance, in my esteem, to justify a careful analysis of the Creek language. Every true philanthropist loves man because he is man; and though a people may have been "scattered and peeled," meted out and trodden down," he will not love them the less on account of their misfortunes; and when he finds such, far from the society and blessings of their more fortunate brethren, with brotherly salutations he will inquire, "whence came you, and whither are you bound?"

May not an acquaintance with the language of some Indian tribe, and an investigation of the comparative philology of it with others, and of all those with some of the old world, lead to a satisfactory solution of the historic problem, "who first peopled this vast continent?"

Whence came they? and to whom are they related? The Indians are fading like the Autumn leaves. All over our western plains they are being encircled by the shadow of death. They are our brethren. I admit that our first great care should be to give them the consolations of Christianity, and grant them a Christian burial when they die; but should we not also take their ambrotypes and place them in our picture-gallery, that their recollection may never fade from our memories? I know of no more correct picture of the Creeks than their language; and, though the following may not be true to the original in every

particular, yet it is better than no picture at all, and is as good as my *instrument* and *chemicals* could take in the time allowed me. Look at it while the original still lives, and you will see the resemblance.

- 1. The Creeks are not idolators.—So far as we can learn, an idol of wood or stone has never disgraced the temples of their religious worship; but they have ever believed in One Great Spirit, the Maker of all things: hence, in their language we can discover no traces of idolatry, but we find the name Hesakitvmise for God, whom they regard as the Author of life.
- 2. They are not profane; and hence we find no oaths nor words for bitter curses in their language, for they never speak the name Hesakitvmise except with that reverence which is due from the creature to the Creator. Neither are they ever known to quarrel and fight with their fists, like low-bred people, for they are far above such mean pursuits; hence, where such words as are used in quarreling occur in our language, we find blanks in theirs. "I am a man!" ("h@nvnwv t@yiis cha!") is all a Creek man says when he finds it necessary to vindicate his bravery: and when he says this, and follows it with the war-whoop, woe betide the one who dares to be his adversary; for he will then spill his blood sooner than acknowledge that he is not "a man."
- 3. The Creeks are brave; and that they have been emphatically a warlike people, their history bears ample testimony. Accordingly we find that their language is majestic and warlike in its tone, with barely enough of vowel sounds to dissolve its consonants with ease. There are no traces of effeminacy or affectation discoverable, but whoever understands a Creek in his own language, will conclude that he is saying all he means, and meaning all he says. A thousand sentinels keep the door of their mouths to make them speak the truth without ambiguity. Indeed, the

very construction of their language is such as to forbid ambiguity. An ambiguous sentence can not be translated into their language; it must first be stripped of all words of doubtful import. For example: in the sentence, "Lovest thou me more than these?" the question with us is, "these" what?—more than these disciples love me? more than you love these disciples? or more than you love these fish? It is often difficult with us to determine what is the antecedent of a pronoun; but the Creeks would never use the pronoun unless the antecedent were visible, and then it would be so demonstrative that they could point toward it; in all other cases they would repeat the noun, and omit the relative. The very lack of any article, either definite or indefinite, forces them to employ words of more definite import than a, an, or the; for even our definite article is often a very indefinite part of speech.

In keeping with the martial spirit and habits of the Creek people, we find the name of almost every man in the nation capable of bearing arms the very same as the name of some brave or cunning animal: as, Wolf-fierce, Panther-brave, Tiger-no-heart, Bearcrazy, etc., etc.; while the entire nation is at the same time divided into clans, with the names of ferocious beasts and birds to distinguish them.

4. The Creeks are remarkably attached to every thing that is (or has been) peculiar to them; and slow to admit changes or innovations upon their established usages or customs.

Never, until a very few years ago, could civilization, or even Christianity, make any perceivable changes in their laws, customs, or language. Their character and habits seem to have been crystallized, and their language stereotyped. I doubt not, but that their customs half a century ago were their customs many centuries before the discovery of this continent by Columbus. I say this from my knowledge of their character, and from their

reluctance in omitting any thing that their fathers used to love, or to do.

This trait in their character is also exemplified in their language. Though they are a confederacy of several different tribes: though there are still as many as six different languages spoken by these confederate tribes in their territorial midst; though they are, and long have been, surrounded by neighboring tribes of other tongues; and though French, Spaniards, Americans, and persons of other nations, have long been accustomed to trade with them; yet, but five or six foreign words have ever been adopted by them, and the pure Maskoke language remains, to a great degree, unchanged. I consider this a very remarkable fact, and one which may greatly facilitate our acquaintance with the analogy between their language, and some language of the old world; seeing they have kept it pure so long and under such unfavorable circumstances. They are now, however, on the eve of a mighty and rapid change. They can hold out no longer. Many and powerful agencies have been employed to change their character and habits. War has done its work. Their national spirit has been subdued, if not broken. Vice, death, avarice, and the influence of a more powerful race, have all combined to make inroads upon their long-established usages. More than all, Christianity has at length caused greater changes for good than the most sanguine could have anticipated a few years ago. Their old customs are giving way. Husbandry and agriculture have supplanted the chase and the war-dance; and prayers and hymns of praise to God have taken the place of revelings and war-whoops.

Their language will soon undergo great and rapid changes, if it is not entirely superseded by the English. Now is the only favor able time to save their language from utter oblivion, and this is the only way. We owe it to them, to ourselves, to the scientific

world, to catch the shadow of their language before it is clean gone forever. We are not able now to imagine the important results that may be realized.

5. The Creeks, in common with all nations not under Christian influence, have been accustomed to oppress their females; and I think I discover unmistakable evidences of this, even in their language. I allude to the old custom of having one dialect for the men, and another for the women; traces of which will be found in my remarks on the 2d declension of Creek nouns. If this had been peculiar to the Creeks alone, I would have concluded that they, like the founders of Rome, had obtained their wives from another nation; but I have learned that it is not peculiar to the Creeks, but is common with many other tribes; such as the Natchez, Osages, Quappas, Dekotas, etc.; and hence I infer that the common fact must be traced to a common cause—the oppression of the females. Among wild Indians, the women have to perform most of the drudgery, and are not regarded as on a social equality with the men. According to their old customs the women were not allowed to appear in public, but had to live very secluded; and once a moon they were forced to pitch their tents at a distance from the men, and were not allowed to come near them for a week. A warrior or a hunter, in order to be successful, had to keep away from the company of the women a given time. A doctor could not be successful in practice, neither could a patient hope to recover, unless each alike kept aloof from the company of women.

A woman was not allowed to bathe above a man, nor to pass him in traveling in such a way as that the wind might blow from her to him. If a husband died, his surviving relatives placed the wife in "her widowhood," by plunging her in the water, and requiring her to live secluded a certain number of years. If she had not been a good wife, in their opinion, they required her to

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live secluded from the society of men for four years. She must not talk to any body but women and children, unless by the special grace of her husband's relatives. She was not allowed to shake hands with a man, appear in any public assembly, or dress in any way that would appear becoming; and she had to wear her hair disheveled, and was not allowed even to comb it, but had to send for her husband's relatives to perform that kind office in case of absolute necessity. All their laws concerning crime between the sexes discriminated in favor of the men. These restrictions, and others too numerous to mention, led, in my opinion, to the formation of a dialect peculiar to the women; so that it was regarded indelicate and unwomanly for a female to speak to men in the language of men. Christianity, however, has in a great measure elevated the Creek women to their proper sphere, so that there are now only faint traces left of any of these customs which I have mentioned; and there are now, also, but few traces of their peculiar dialect, and it is no longer considered a reproach for a woman to speak the same kind of language that is used by the men. There are a few words, however, that are still peculiar to the women; some of which I have pointed out in the following pages.

One thing which entitles the Creek language to our respect and consideration, is the fact that they were once the most numerous, and are yet among the most respectable, of all our southern tribes. Physically, morally, and intellectually, they are not behind any Indians on this continent; and it is an undisputed fact, that they have been more successful in resisting our military forces than any other nation of the same population. The Seminoles,* who are

^{*} The word Seminole in Creek signifies wild, and was given to the Florida Creeks because they left the main tribe. Maskoke is their own name for themselves.

really the same people, and speak the same language, are entitled to as much respect for their bravery and for their patriotism as any nation renowned in history or in song; and magnanimity and philanthropy, as well as the interests of history and science, require that we should endeavor to analyze their language, and translate as much of God's Word as we can, so that they may be able to read, in their own language, the wonderful works of God.

MANNER OF COMPILING THIS WORK.

It was far from my intention, at first, to make a Grammar of the Creek language. Impelled from a conviction of duty, I began a translation of a portion of the Gospel; but I soon found that, as there was no Grammar, no Definer, no sort of standard except the usus loquendi, it was absolutely essential to the accuracy and uniformity of my translations, that I should learn its laws, and study closely its idiom. Accordingly, I applied myself to the task, and to aid my memory I made notes; and, as I progressed in my translations, I continued to write down such observations as were suggested to my mind by the peculiarities of the language. These I showed to such intelligent half-breeds as were educated, and they were so well pleased with my manuscript, that they urged me to have it published. This will account for that want of proper method which may be detected in parts of the work. Had I set out with the view of preparing a manuscript Grammar for publication, I would have had an arrangement somewhat different. This will be seen particularly in the conjugation of the verbs. In my manuscript I had them in the form of a Compendium, with the 1st and 2d singulars, and the 1st and 2d plurals, and the dual (where there was one) all in parallel columns, so that I could see all the inflections of the same verb at one view, like looking on a pendent map. I did not have time to

transcribe the whole, and hence the present form of the yerbs. I do not think, however, that this will in any way impede the progress of any one who may wish to study the conjugation of the Creek verbs. That portion of this work which relates to orthography and definitions was composed at intervals far apart, and during moments that I could not well be employed in missionary labors. Some was written on scraps of paper and the fly-leaves of books while riding or walking to and from my appointments. It was impossible for me, at such times, to be very precise as to method. I think, however, that so far as I have gone, I have been accurate, and that my observations on the various parts of speech are reliable. Whatever critics may say (and I court friendly criticisms), I have this to console me-more competent critics can not be found than those honest and intelligent Indians, whose names may be found to a certificate at the first of this volume, highly approving and recommending it.

I have already been amused at the suggestions of some who know no more of Creek than a mule knows of Algebra! The Creeks were always too brave and independent to work in the traces of other men, and their language is like those who speak it. If the Creek verb is varied sometimes to suit the objective as well as the nominative case, it is useless to try to make it conform to the variations of the English verb; and if the Creek has nine vowel sounds, while the Dakota has not; and if the former has some consonant sounds that are wanting in the latter, it would be folly to think of spelling all the Creek words with the Dakota alphabet.

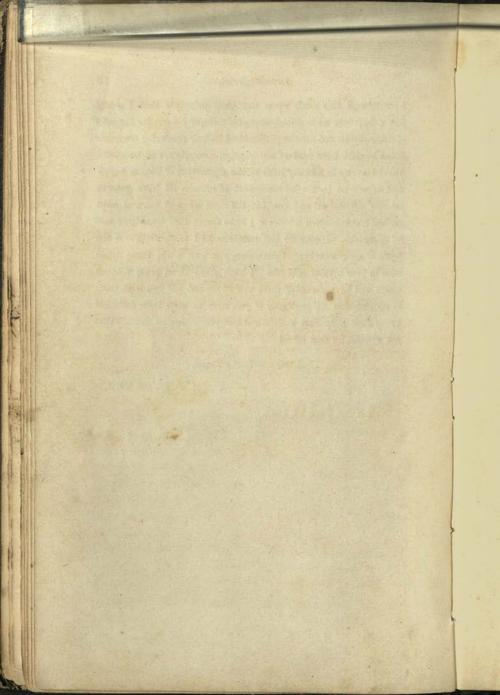
In conclusion: if the perusal of this work should afford as much pleasure to the reader, as the study of the Creek language has to the author, he will thank me for my pains; and that is all the reward I covet, aside from the hope and satisfaction of doing good.

I commenced this work upon the same principle that I would sink a shaft into an artificial mound of antiquity—not for the love of labor per se, nor for the prospect of finding concealed treasures—but because I am fond of antiquarian curiosities, and because I hoped thereby to add my mite to the promotion of human happiness, as well as to the advancement of science. I have gone as far into the mound as I could in the time allowed me, and have marked and exhibited whatever I have found that was either useful or curious. I offer to the religious and scientific world the result of my researches. Gentlemen, you can place these specimens in your several cabinets. I have given them plain English names, and have classified them to suit myself. If you wish them to be classified differently, or if you wish to give them technical names that none can understand but yourselves, be assured that you will not by that offend

Your obedient servant,

H. F. BUCKNER.

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MASKOKE ALPHABET.

- 1. A a aha, yaha, alakiis, ayω.
- 2. E e eme, cheme, efv.
- 3. II ii iiyetv, iiyiis, momiis.
- 4. I i irω, irki, ichki.
- 5. Θ ω ωfv, ωpv, ωwalv, ωsahwv.
- 6. Θ θ hekte. nekke, tettωlωse.
- 7. O o okhvssi, sokchowky, rokkω.
- 8. U u chula, sumkepis, suletawv.
- 9. V v vni, vnhissi, vmωpωnvkv.
- 10. Ch ch cheme, Chehωfv, Chesvs.
- 11. F f fω, fω-lani, finnv.
- 12. H h hyssi, hyrpi, hofone.
- 13. R r re, rekachkv, rvrω, rvfω.
- 14. K k ke, ke-hvssi, kapv, kafi.
- 15. L l letkiis, lemhe, lyste.
- 16. M m mekosvoky, momos, Musia.
- 17. N n nerky, pitta, nypy, notti.
- 18. P p pome, pirro, perki
- 19. S s sympy, svty-zwkko.
- 20. T t tomes, topy.
- 21. W w wotko stil
- 22. Y y yaha.

DIPHTHONGS.

- 23. Ae ae Aeha!
- 24. Qe we wéwv, wekiiwv.
- 25. He iie iielah!
- 26. Ow ow ahowki.
- 27. Oe ee hopeewy, hopeetaki.

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	W	HITE	MAN'S CREEK ALPHABET.
CAP.	SMAI	LL. SOUND.	
. A	a	äh	always has the open sound, as in pä, mä, fäther.
E	e	ēē	always has the long sound, as in me,
-			she, he.
II	ii	Ĩ	always has the long sound, as in pine, mine, fine.
Ι	i	ĭ	always has the short sound, as in it, bit, hit.
ω.	ω	ō,	always has the long sound, as in no,
θ.	. 0.	ŏŏh	go, so. always has the sound of oo in took,
			hook, or oe in foot.
0	0	ŏh	always has the short sound of o in not,
U			spot, shot.
U	u	уü	always has the sound of u in rule, or
V	v	ŭ	always has the short sound of u in
Ch	ah	chēē	smut, shut, hut.
CII	CH	cnee	always has the sound of ch in cheese, chimney.
F	f	fēē	always has the sound of f in English, as female.
H	h	hēē	
-		пее	always has the sound of h in English, as he, hero.

R	r	hlēē	has the sound of <i>l</i> aspirated, as in <i>hlaf</i> , Sax. a loaf.
K	k	kēē	as in English, like k in keep. It is univocal.
L	1	lēē	as in English, like <i>l</i> in leap. It is univocal,
M	m	mēē	as in English, like m in me. It is univocal.
N	n	nēē	as in English, when written ñ it is like ng in among.
P	p	pēē	as in English, like p in Peter.
S	S	sēē	as in English (hissing dental), as s in see and sea.
T	t	tēē	as in English, like t in tea-pot.

Note.—By observing this alphabet closely you may learn to read Creek in a few hours, though you may not understand what you read, yet an Indian can. For particulars please refer to the Creek Grammar.

wēē

yēē

as in English, like w in weevil, weep.

as in English, like y in ye, yeoman.

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fa	fe	fii	fi	fω	fe	fo	fu	fv
ha	he	hii	hi	hω	ho	ho	hu	hv
ra	re	rii	ri	rω	re	ro	ru	rv
ka	ke	kii	ki	kω	ko	ko	ku	kv
la	le	lii	li	lω	le	lo	lu	lv
ma	me	mii	mi	mω	mo	mo	mu	mv
na	ne	nii	ni	nω	no	no	nu	nv
pa	pe	pii	pi	pω	рө	po	pu	pv
sa	se	sii	SI	SW	so	SO	su	SV
ta	te	tii	ti.	tω	to	to	tu	tv
wa	we	wii	wi	wω	WO	wo	wu	wv
fah	feh	fiih	fih	fwh	feh	foh	fuh	fvh
hah	heh	hiih	hih				huh	hvh
rah	reh	riih	rih	rwh		&c.		
kah	keh	kiih	kih	kωh				
lah	leh	liih	&c.					
	ma	h		eh	n	niih		&c.
	nal	h	n	eh		iih		&c.
	pal	h	p	eh		iih		&c.
	sah		se	eh	siih		&c.	
	tah		te	h	tiih		&c.	
	wa	h	W	eh	W	iih		&c.
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rak rek riik rok rok rok rvk fan fen fiin fin fon fon fon fvn lam lem liim lim 16m lem lom lvm was wes wiis wis WOS WOS wos WVS chas ches chiis chis chws ches chos chys chach chech chich choch choch choch chych chats chets chits chits chots chots chots chots

A a has the open or Italian sound of a, as in father.

Ache, corn. Aha, sweet potatoe. Ahakwa, wild goose, or brant. Ahahwa, a walnut. Ahakv, law. Achofy, in me Atekat, all round, in the bounds. Achulyke, old people. Afasty, one who attends Arahkvn, on account of. Apake, with. Ayepytes, he went. Apωkat, where they live. Arin, is about. Aliikvtes, got up. Achake, valuable. Atarky, weight. Akasvmkv, belief. Alakis, he is come.

Araheche, meaning, or referring to. Apvlwoset, a part. Achatotaten, he that sent Achahnit, pour into. Apiswv, meat. Achopy, a nail. Anakyn, near by. Atetet, coming. Aωssen, out of. Apakosin, immediately. Achinv, cedar. Achvnrapis, is opposing me. Ayayati, where I am going. Achehwoseken, very soon. Apvlwvt, apart. Achohfvnket, is greater. Aeha! alas! Atvphy, dogwood. Arvnwv, small hawk.

E e has the long sound of e, as in he, or ee in glee.

Efv, a dog.

Eňki, his hand.
Eme, him or it.
Ehoti, his home.
Efeki, his heart.
Eňki elew, his hands and feet.
Ekvnv, the earth.
Emete, its fruit.
Echofv, in you.

Elvtche, its limb or branch
Etiin, some other place.
Emonkin, continuing.
Etapomosin, the same.
Ehiiwv, his wife.
Etawvt, himself.
Elepvtes, he died.
Ehetitakin, their home.
Ekv, his head.
Emohyupv, after.

Etinrawyn, between. Eemehichkeechvtes, show- Emahakv, his law. ed himself.

Emétawy, himself. Emewfyn, in him.

II ii has the long sound of i, as in slice, spice, mice.

Hepa, a locust. Hyetv,* to go. Hyiis, I am going. Hyepiis, I am going. Momiis, but. Istωmiis, any. Liikvs, sit down. Wiikvs, quit. Yvhiikvs, sing. Istofiis, at any time. Oniiyvs, tell it. Yiichvtes, they came. Hiiyayvke, light. Chekiichiis, I say to you (sing).

Chekiichakiis, I sav to you (plural). Heńchiis, I saw. Vpiikin, inside. Ehiiwv, his wife. Liikares, I will be there. Alakiis, I have come. Hiiyωme, in this way. Mii tvlωfv miin, there in that country. Miin apokes, they are there. Liikii emwnkvres, I shall be there always.

I i has the shortest sound of i, as in bit, hit, pit, little.

Irω, a squirrel. Ichω, a deer. Ichhaswv, a beaver. Isti papv, a lion (people eater). Ichki, his or her mother. Irki, his or her father. Ippechi, his son. Istochi, baby or child. Isti hvtki, white person. Isti lvsti, black person.

Isti chati, red person. It chy, a gun. Istii mvt, who. Imistvlki, his people. Inhichky, his appearance. Illin, his foot. Issit, he took. Inhisse, his friend. Inhesakity, his life. Ittitayes, it is sufficient.

^{*} I have made a diligent inquiry, and itepa is the only Creek noun that begins with i long, unless nyetv is a noun.

Itω, wood.
Immittvlωfv, his town or country.

Ittikiichakvtes, they said to each other. Iskirkv, to know by.

ω has the long sound of o, as in go; or ow in show.

Snow.

Øsvnv, an otter.

Øekatchv, leopard.

Økchωtkω, a musk-rat.

Øpv, an owl.

Øfvn, in.

Ønvpv, on top.

Øfliiketv, a seat.

Øsvnnv, a beaver.

Øsahwa, a crow.

Øfiskitv, to sprinkle on.

Øfkvlkv, to pour on.

Ømvlkv, all.

Omvs, have or possess it

(imperative).

Omikv, because.

Ohhayit, to go to.

Osiiyit, went out.

Ohmichkvs, do not that.

Oches, we have.

Ochiit, from ochiis, I have.

Omvres, he will have.

Omati, if.

Omin, have.

Okyvnwv, blue cat-fish.

θ e has the sound of oo in book, took, look; and sometimes a little obtuse, as oo in foot, tet-tωlωse, chicken, ete, an island.

Oche, a hickory-nut. Ochivppi, hickory-tree. Ochi chvkω, a pecan. Oktaha, sand. Oktahvtchi, sand creek. Okkitv, time. Oske, rain. Oske intachv, a rainbow. Hokte, a woman. Fochω, a duck. Sokhv, a hog. Foswv, a bird. Tot-tωlωse, a chicken. Hokpi, the breast.

Hechke, pounded.
Cheffi, a rabbit
Neksωkchv, a pellican.
Sekhvhatkv, opossum.
Feschatv, a redbird.
Fesahayv, a mockingbird.
Svkchω, a craw-fish.
Heerekω, an oyster (can't stand).
Felahpv, a mussel.
Cheffi terwv, the red-haw (rabbit eyes).

O o has the short sound of o, as in sock, cock, clock, etc.

Okchillvlasky, birch
Okhatky, sycamore.
Ohwany, willow.
Okfvski, a Creek town.
Oktaskytes, he jumped in.
Oksumkity, to dive.
Okchawatskatit,
Okchowwe, to take out.
Okwiikakytes, they cast him or it in.
Okwiikatskati, if you cast it in.

Okhvtvpechvtes, they
went down.
Okhvssi, a pond.
Okpiikakω, if I put not
in.
Okhot hωketates, the
(doors) were shut.
Okchowhkω, shitepoke.
Wokkωrokkω, summercrane.
Rokket, large.
Rokkωpiihkv, mule.
Sokchowkv, water-dipper.

U u, as oo in spool; ou in Louisville; or ew in clew.*

Chula, a fox.
Chuli, a pine-tree.
Watula, a crane.
Suli, a buzzard.
Fechωsuli, Muscovy-duck
(buzzarad duck).
Sulitawy, a soldier.
Sumkepis, it is lost.

Oksumkity, baptism.
Chusvlki, the Jews.
Sulke or Selke, many.
Svnvchumv, or svnvchomv.
Achule, old (applied to

Achule, old (applied to man or animals).

V v, has the shortest sound of u, as in mutter, shutter, etc.

Vpvtvnv, bull-frog. Vni, I. Vnhissi, my friend.

^{*} This vowel never begins a word, but is found in several, as the following examples will show. It differs in sound from θ , because it is longer; though it is frequently difficult to detect the difference by the ear; and there are a few words differently pronounced by different Creeks, in which θ would be required by some, and u by others.

Vnvchumv, again. Vnωkechωsvres, he will love him. Vmafvchkitv, my joy. V peyvkéris, let us go. Vniwω, me also. Vtelwyit, to gather.

Vmωpωnvkv, my words. | Vmistvlki, my disciples. Vnfvtchitv, my righteousness. Vtchesωke, clothing. Vnrapv, an enemy. Vnrapvlki, enemies. Yvnvsv, a buffalo. Yvpifiikv, a sheep.

EXAMPLES OF CONSONANT SOUNDS.

Ch.

Chissi, a rat. Choffi, a rabbit. Chepane, a boy. Chωrokkω, a horse. Chumpe, sweet. Chytto, a rock. Chesvs, Jesus. Chusvlke, the Jews.

F.

Fitekky, a yellow-hammer. Feshvtky, a small white crane. Fechωsuli, Muscovy-duck. Fωtenetky, bumble-bee. Fωheerv, sweat bee. Feswy, a bird. Fos lane, yellow-bird.

H.

Halichekwy, fish-hawk.

Hωnvnwv, a male. Hysi, the sun. Hvsi iskirky, a time-piece. Halω, a cup. Hωmpity, food. Hythiiyytki, in the morning. Hvtétosin no! not so fast! Hekte, a female. Hektvke, females. Hylpyty, an alligator. Hacho hakis, he is crazy. Hvmkit, one. Hωkωlit, two.

R.

Re, lead, sting, or bullet. Rekatchky, broken arrow. Relopetskosat, small shot. Rvni, hill, or mountain. Rvfω, winter.

CONSONANT SOUNDS-Continued.

K.

Katchy, a tiger.
Κωwiiki, a partridge.
Κωwiike rokkω, grouse.
Κωwokkochi, a wild-cat.
Κωliĥpa, a lightning-bug.
Καρν, a gown.
Κνsνsν, a katydid.
Καkki, a raven.

T.

Lvmhi, an eagle.
Lechv, a turtle.
Likwe, rotten.
Lvste, black.
Lvtchpe, wet.
Littvkvnechv, a blisterbug.

M.

Miske, summer. Mechy, now. Millity, an appointment.

N.

Naωrky, a roach (bug). Naωrkylki, sinners. Nωkosi, a bear. Nitta, day. Nitta 'chakochi, Sunday. Nitta 'chakωrokkω, Christmas.

Nitta chakochi-echessi, Saturday. Natara, a dirt-dobber. Nire, night. Nvpvt, no one.

P.

Pωsi, a cat. Pinwv, a turkey. Pinhωlωchv, a pea-fowl. Pirrω, a boat.

S.

Sekhv, a hog. Sekhechi, a pig. Sekchv, a bag. Sωpaktv, a toad.

T.

Tvssi, a jay-bird.
Tvllωkki, a rain crow.
Tvkωchá, ants.
Tvphe, wide.
Tvlωfv, town.
Tvlwv vlke, all the towns.
Tafvmpi, an onion.
Tet-tωlωsi, a chicken.

W.

Wωtkω, a coon. Wωtkω-isti, a monkey. Wesω, sassafras. Y. Yωmetchke, dark. Yepω, nose. | Yepω lωwaki, an elephant. | Yωksv, the end.

SPELLING AND DEFINING.

MVSKωK	E. ENGLISH.	MVSKWK	E. ENGLISH.
rvrw	a fish	hvlwe	high
rvfω	winter	hvkkv	a spoon .
rokke	big	hekte	a female
lichi	a boil	hekpi	the breast
lvmhi	an eagle	hochke	pounded
lane	yellow	hvrpi	hide, skin, bark
lvste	black	hiiya"	fruitful
lomhe	lying down	hetke	feathered
lvtke	falling of leaves	herke	boiled
lvtchpe	wet	honny	a dress
lωkche	ripe .	honne	heavy
heere	standing	hente	sprouting
henwe	tracking	hiiye	hot
lvfke	a gash	hichi	tobacco
liike	sitting down	fippe	a gourd
litketv	to run	finnv	a foot log
limke	picked bare	fechω	a duck
leppe	glimmer	fikchi	entrails
lvpv	a snail	nihe	the fat
lepi	the liver	niha	the oil
lvksv	a hoof	nitta	day
lvkchv	an acorn	neti	a tooth
herri	war	nikre	a burn
heti	home	chissi	a rat
hvtti	yet	kvchke	broken
heyv	this	sechω	dew
hvtchko	the ear	svtv	a persiman
hvtki	white .	sesse	out of
hvmkin	one	momes	it might be so.

ENGLISH. MVSKOKE. ENGLISH. MVSKOKE. chalw a trout it is so momis night nirre tall mahe an owl long or tall wpv chypke kotvkse bent mechy now typhe wide morke boiled high hvlwe is boiling morkis a gown kapa pvrkw grapes seed to plant the eves terwy porwv a wolf vaha any seed nerky a fox chula pinwv a turkey a squirrel petchki our mother irro wotko a coon perki our father a skunk konw a boat pirro big white swan kekky ground mole tvko kakki a raven tafy feathers horse-fly rono a weaver tara chany house-fly sefke deep chakke shallow fo honey-bee yellow-jacket fw lani ground hog esko fochati chitto a snake wasp kvfkω sassafras a flea wesw iiepa locusts werre hanging loose suwe suwe jar-fly kvchω a brier kenhe crooked natara dirt-dobber tykωchá ants miske summer tvpvsvnv musketo hawk kylfo mud cat

AHONKVTKV.*

I	1	Hymkin	one
II	2	Hekk@lin	two
III	3	Totchenin	three
IV	4	Østin	four
V	5	Chahkepin	five
VI		Epakin	six
VII	7	Kellypakin	seven
VIII	8	Chenyppakin	eight
IX	9	Ostvpakin	nine
X	10	Palin	ten
XI		Palin hymkontvlakin	eleven
XII		Palin hekkellωńkakir	
XIII		Palin tetchenwhkakin	
XIV		Palin wstwhkakin	fourteen
XV	15	Palin chahkepwkakin	
XVI	. 16	Palin epwhkakin	sixteen
XVII	17	Palin kellvpωńkakin	seventeen
XVIII	18	Palin chenvppwhkaki	n eighteen
XIX	19	Palin ωstvpωńkakin	nineteen
XX		Pali hekkwlin	twenty
XXX	20.20	Pali tetchenin	thirty
XL		Pali Østin	forty
L		Pali chalikepin	fifty
LX		Pali epakin	sixty
LXX		Pali kellvpakin	seventy
LXXX		Pali chenvppakin	eighty .
XC		Pali wstvpakin	ninety
× C	100		one hundred
CC		Out of the same of	two hundred
CCC	300	Chekpi tetchenin	three hundred

^{*}I have carefully spelled all these numbers in Creek; and will, in all future translations, conform to the orthography of this page. From the extreme difficulty of catching true sounds by the ear, I have, in some instances, varied somewhat from the above.

acac	400	Chekpi wstin	four hundred
D		Chekpi chahkepin	five hundred
DC		Chekpi epakin	six hundred
DCC		Chekpi kellvpakin	seven hundred
DCCC	800	Chekpi chenvpakin	eight hundred
DCCCC	900	Chekpi wstvpakin	nine hundred
M	1,000	Chekpi rokkwhvmki	n one thousand
$\overline{\mathbf{v}}$	5,000	Chekpi rokkω chał	1-
		kepin	five thousand
	10,000	Chekpi rokkω palin	ten thousand
C 1	00,000	Chekpi rokkω chekp	oi-
	191	hvmkin	one hundred
			onound

ORDINALS.

Creek Adjectives of the Ordinal kind are formed from their numerals in the same way that the Superlative degree is formed from the Comparative, by prefixing ris, or risa; except their word for first, which is altogether different from the numeral.

EXAMPLES.

first
second
third
fourth
fifth
sixth
seventh
eighth
ninth
tenth

After the tenth, the sign ris is removed, and prefixed to the numerals one, two, etc.

As pale rishokkolωhkakat eleventh pale rishokkolωhkakat twelfth, etc.

In counting, after the Creeks get to ten, they name whatever numeral, as one, two, three, etc., that they wish added, and oh kakin which means sitting on; as palin, ten; palin-hokkellohkakin, twelve; or ten, with two sitting on it. The oh means upon, and kakin is the dual number of the verb to sit. When they come to twenty in counting, they call it two tens, and thirty, three tens, etc., to which they add the proper numerals for intermediate numbers.

NAMES OF THE DIFFERENT MONTHS.

Heyvt hvssi hochifhokvt omis, momit nitta ahenkvtkv hiiyomen kirket omis.

Ahenkytky satkyn nitta inselke iskirkyt omis.

Inhemv hvssi Rvffwrokket hwchifkvtis; mwmit

ωhrelepe mωchysse ωhhavat hyssit ωmis.

Rvfochi nitta-chakω-rokkω inhvssit ωmis; mωmit ma hvssi nitta pali-hωkωle-chohkipωh-kakωfvn Pω-hesayechv-Chesus—yvmv ekvnv ωhhichkvtet ωmiistvntis; mωnkv nitta arakoechvkvre ittetayet ωmis.

CREEK NAME.			LITERAL.	FREE.
1. Rvfω-rokkω	nitta	31	Big winter,	Jan.
2. Hωtvlle-hvssi	- 44	28	Wind month,	Feb.
3. Tasáchechi	- 44	31	Little spring,	M'ch
4. Tasáchi-rokkω	22	30	Big spring,	Ap'l
5. Ke-hvssi	et.	31	Mulberry month,	
6. Kvchω-hvssi	ш	30	Blackberry month	
7. Hvyechi	"	31	Little harvest,	July
8. Hvye-rokkω	44		Big harvest,	Aug.
9. Otwwskechi	4.6	30	Little chestnut	
			gathering,	Sept.
10. θtωwωske-rokkω	, "	31	Big gathering of	
			chestnuts,	Oct.
11. Ehwle or Ehele	66	30	Frost month,	Nov.
12. Rvfechi		31	Little winter,	Dec.

Rvfechi, Rvffω-rokkω mωmit Hωtvlle hvssi istetchenat Rvffω hvssit ωmakis.

Tasáchochi, Tasáche rokko momit Kehvssi istet-

ehenat, Tasáche hvssit ωmakis.

Kychω-hyssi, Hyyochi, mωmit Hyyo-rokkω istot-

chenat Miske hyssit omakis.

Otωwωskochi, Θτωνωskv rokkω, mωmit Ehole istotchenat Rvfω hake hvssit ωmakis.

OKKITV ISKIRKV.

Orωlepe hvmkat nitta chekpi tetchenin pale epakin chohkepωhkaket ωmis. Orωlepe hvmkat nitta 'chakechi ere palechohkepin hekkellωh kaket ωmis. Orωlepe hvmkat hvssi palin hekkellωh kaket ωmis.

Inhomy hyssi nitta palitetchenin hymken tylaket

omis. (Nitta 31.)

Hvssi risvhekkωlat nitta pale-hokkωlin chenyphωkakin ωchet ωmis; mωmiis, ωrelωpe risωstωfvn nitta hvmkit ωhhatvlaket ωmis: meňkv ωrelωpe risωstωf nitta pali hekkωlin ωstvpωhkake ωriichvntet mωmet ωmis. (28.)

Hvssi risvtetchenat nitta palitetchenin hvmkentvl-

aket ωmis. (31.)

Hvssi riscosta nitta palitetchenin ωchet ωmis. (30.) Hvssi rischohkepat nitta palitetchenin hvmkentvlakin ωchet ωmis. (31.)

Hvssi risepakat nitta palitetchenin wchet wmis.

(30.)

Hvssi riskolvpakat nitta palitetehenin hvmken tvlake ochet omis. (31.)

Hvssi ischenvpakat nitta palitetchenin hvmken-

tvlake wchet wmis. (31.)

Hvssi risostvpakat nitta palitetchenin oche tomis. (30.)

Hyssi rispalat nitta palitetchenin hymkentylaket omis. (31.)

Hvssi pale rishvmkentvlakat nitta palitetchenin

wchet ωmis. (30.)

Hyssi pale rishekkelőkakat nitta pali tetchenin hymkentylakin ωchet ωmis. (31.)

DERIVATION.

	Distribution.	
MVSKωKE.	LITERAL.	FREE.
chvtω.	a stone,	
kωnawy,	beads,	
chvtokonawy,		money.
chvtωknaplani,		
chvtωkωnaphvtki		
chvtωkωnap heti,		
chutwkwnap-in		safe, etc.
sωkchv,	stone beads its bas	g,money bag, purse,
chvtωkωnawv-		etc.
hvmkin,	stone beads one,	one dollar.
ekvnv.	ground. (prim.)	
ekvnyωksvlki,	world end people,	"all ye ends of
		the earth."
kωnsatkvtőcheni	n ground mark or	ı
	three,	75 cts.
konsatky hoko-		
kolin,	ground mark on	
	two,	50 cts.
kωnsatkv hvmkin	, ground mark on	
	one,	25 cts.
nvrkvpechi,	half little,	10 or 12½ cts.
kolloksechi,	a small piece off,	5 or $6\frac{1}{4}$ cts.
chvňki,	(a prim. word.)	
stinki eheti.	hand its home,	gloves.
stiňky teky,	(made) for hands	
	all,	gloves.
stinky nijky	hands' nen	gloves.

MVSKOKE.

LITERAL.

FREE.

stinki sahepakky, hands to push

hotvlle. hωtvl kvlke._ ahhwtalit, hotvllehvsse, hωtalis.

hωtvlle rokkω, hotvlle hoyanv, tωtkv,

Tωtkvahase, tωtkv mωchase, tωtky techy, tωtky rokkω, tωtkv finke,

tωtkv eheti, totky istokchel-

tωtky fylky.

akv.

with. wind. wind people,

blowing against, wind moon, the wind blows.

wind big,

fire, Fire Old, fire new. fire-maker, fire big, fire blazing,

work, fire its home,

thimble. wind. wind clan.

blowing against. February. same as literal.

hurricane.

fire. name of an Ind'n. new fire. same as literal. hell. blazing fire.

from atokkitv, to cotton and its cloth. chimney.

fire to stir with, fire-stick or tongs. tωtkv stokkefkv, fire to dip with, shovel.

FORMATION OF DERIVATIVES FROM THEIR PRIMITIVES.

ekv, fekity: ekvfekitv, chv. chekwy issi, chychekhissi, chechekhissi, echekhissi. chvlli,

his head. pay. head-right, per capita. my. mouth. leaf, etc. my heard. your beard. his beard. my foot.

FORMATION OF DERIVATIVES-Continued.

ichheswv,
ichheswechi,
chvlli ichheswechi,
ichki,
chvlli ichki,
yeρω,
lωwaki,
yeρωlωwaki,
yeρωlωwaki,
yeρωatarka,
isti,
wωtkω,
wωtkωisti,

papa,

istipapa,

her son or daughter.
little son or daughter.
my little toe!
his or her mother.
my great toe!
the nose.
limber.
an elephant.
nose ring, or jewel.
a person.
a coon.
a monkey.
eater.
a lion, or person eater.

DERIVATION.

LITERAL. MVSKWKE. wewv, water. ωirokkω, water big, water white, ωihvtky, ωikiiwv, wihemi, water bitter, wihomi chati, water bitter red, ωi lysti, water black. ωi-lowke-rokkω, water high big, witemky, water sounding, ωiwωkv, water roaring, ωichati, water red, wimelwhly, (wealaky) water coming, ωihessi, water lost, weinkerky, water dug for,

water. a river. the sea. a spring. whiskey. wine.

the Flood.
Wetumke City, Al.
Wewoka Creek,
Ala., Ga., etc.
Ark. and Red Riv.

waves. a lake. a well.

MVSKωKE.	LITERAL.	FREE.
okhvssi	down sun,	a pond.
oksumketv.	down hid from view,	
ωĥfisketv,	on to scatter water,	
ωńkvlky,	on to pour water,	
oske,	on to pour water,	to pour.
ωeyωkωfki,	anaton madda.	
ωiteksi,	water muddy, water sour.	Miss. River.
ωeoktyphe,		vinegar, or cider.
	water, in the, wide,	pond lily.
ωe innini,	water road,	canal, course of a
		stream, or wash
		in the road.
ωpeswv,		juice, sap, or soup.
ωsafki,	from wiwv, water;	Sofkee, a peculiar
	and afke, hominy	, diet.
Note.—The C	hocta and Chickasa name	for water is alre and the
Hichate name is	ωki.	for water is way, and the
@kifin@ki	water shaking,	
warman,	water snaking,	a swamp in Florida
wkfyski or	from wki, water;	okefenoke.
wartski, or	Join Oki, water;	
	and fyske, sharp,	
		land extending
olefool:		into the water.
okfvski,	down in a narrow	
	strip of land,	name of a Creek
. 1		town.
wskintacha,	rain stop,	rainbow.
oskiicha,		rain-maker.
ωkchvnwv	water healing, de-	THE REAL PROPERTY.
	rived from the	
	H1Ch1t1()ki-ckono	salt
*Okhvssi-hay	V-	DUI U.
kvte,	a pond made,	a nool
	, ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	a pool.

Oéwv.

^{*} In the pronunciation of ω ewv, and the large family of words which proceed from that root, there seems to be no uniformity

WORDS THAT ARE ALIKE (OR NEARLY SO) IN CREEK AND CHOCTA.

MASKωKE.	CHATA.	CHOCTA ORTHOGRAPHY	ENGLISH.
kafe,*	kafe,*	kafi	coffee.
kafe* - in-			
sωkchy,	kafe * en-		
	shωkchv,	kafi íshukcha	coffee sack
tvnvpsi*,	tvnvp,*		turnip.
pωsi,*	kvto,*		cat. X
waka,†	wak,†	(all South. In.	cow. X
		use same word.)	
sekchy,	shekchv,	shukcha,	bag.
tepv,	tωpv,	topa,	bed.
ittω,	ete,	iti,	wood.
chωkω,	cheka,	chuka,	house.
wakechi,†	wakeshi,†	wakushi,	calf.
ichω,	ese,	isi,	deer.
efv,	ωfe,	ofi,	dog.
ichechi	eseshi,	isushi,	fawn.
chula,	chula,	chula,	fox.
sekhv,	shekhv,	shukha,	hog.
sekhvhatkv			
(white hog)	shekhvtv,	shukhvta	
Name of the last of		(white hog)	
sekhwchi,	shekheshe,	shukhushi,	pig.
kene,	kene,	keni,	polecat.
chefi,	chekfi,	chukfi,	rabbit.
watuly,	watonlyk,	wahtonlak,	crane.

among the best Creek orators. Some pronounce ω ewv, some ω iwv, and others Θ ewv. My opinion is that the parent word, especially when under accent is ω ewv; but that, when used in composition, the e is shortened into i, and then it is ω i, and some times Θ i.

^{*} Derived from English.

[†] Derived from Spanish vaka, a cow.

MVSKOKE.	CHATA.	CHOCTA ORTHOGRAPHY	ENGLISH.
pychi hωwe,	pvchi yωshωba	,pvchi yoshoba	dove.
fechω,	okfωchesh,	okfochush,	
ahakwv,	hakha,	hâkha,	wild goose.
	ωpv,	opa,	owl.
pvchi,	pvchi,	pvchi,	pigeon.
fω,	fωa,	foe billiska,	bee.
feni,	foni,	feni,	bone.
lvste,		lusa,	black.
mikkω,		míko,	chief.
wvchinvlki,	wvchinv,	wachina,	Virginians,
			white people.
okhvssi,			pond.
ωehvtkv,	okhvtv chitω,	okhvta chito,	ocean or
			sea.
eewv,	ωka,	oka,	water.
nitta,	nittak,	nitak,	day.
hvse,	hvshe,	hvshi,	month or
211	2100	****	sun.
ilkv,	ele,	illi,	death.
chympe,	chvmpeli,	champuli,	sweet.

Note.—It would be interesting to investigate further the comparative philology of the Creek and Chocta. Ido not know enough to venture an opinion; but such investigation *might* establish the radical identity of the two languages.



EASY READING.

Fω tvmkis, Yvn liikiis, Pωsit letkis, Kapvn hayiis,

Efvt wokkis,
Vssvn wokkis,
Heyvn wokkis,
Vssvn wakvt heeris,
Heyvmvn alitis,
Itto telkis,
Chisit achin papis,
Kafin oches,
Kohan oches,
Chirki liika?
Rvron hompiis,
Posit chefin papis,
Achin ochekes,
Svkvn nesiis,

The bee flies. I sit here. The cat runs. I am making a gown or coat. The dog lies. Yonder it lies. Here it lies. Yonder the cow stands. Come here. The tree is falling. The rat is eating corn. We have coffee. We have cane (reeds). Is your pa at home? I am eating fish. The cat is eating a rabbit. We have no corn. I have bought a large basket.

EASY READING-Continued.

Sympyn nesiis,

Efvt wωńkis, Chωrok ket letkis, I have bought a small basket.
The dog barks.
The horse runs.

MVSKOKE SIMAHAYETV.

MVSKWKE.

Hvti alakichká?
Istvmiín altichká?
Istofvn alakichkvňká?
Istiit echepakvňká?
Istvmiín ayichká?
Istvmiin ayichkvreté?
Chechvlikneté?

Istvmiité? Tvlωfv nini istvt mvtté?

Istymiit (Chani) ehetite?

Wewv lowketé?
Lowkekes,
Wmiiyes,
Chasemkes,
Cha lowwes,
Cha hωτώsiis,
Cha nekkes,
Hωmpvs (singular),
Hωmpvkis (plural),

ENGLISH.

Have you just come? From whence came you? When came you? Who was with you? Where were you going? When will you go? Are you (one person) well? Which is the way? Where is the road to town? Which is the way to (John's) home? Is the water high? It is not high. It will swim. I am lost. I am hungry. I am tired. I am sick.

Come and eat (one person)

Come and eat (all who are addressed).



NAK ONVKOCHI.

welvkepytetet welvkepit Pωsi hwkwlit accustomed to walk were walking Cat two wakv-pisse-tvkliikit liikin ishechakvtes, cow-milk-bread (cheese) in a certain place they saw, istomechit ittikvpiichkvn mentoman to divide it between them in what way nevertheless kirrykeket: hymkit isrokkosan Komit the larger piece wish for they knew not; one ittikomykevlketet. Sittihvnakvtes, ωmis. might, they thought this of each other. They two quarreled, mωmit ittikypiichikω tayakit: momat, divide it between them not they could not: very well, istymii istomiis. emvpiiyechekatit not to be partial on either side, the one who is not partial ittikiichahkit: pωmitikvpiichekvs they said to each other let him divide between us, wωtkω-istin imitikvpiichvranat the one who is going to divide between us, coon-person (monkey)

wwtko-isti Momit simahovvtes. they two took it to him. And coon-person (the monkey) Vnit hérin chinfytcherinkirkeechakin. I very justly for you will they informed him of it. @Kliiketyn ωhtasiikit. kiihchit. chykares. On the chair on he jumped. he said. judge. lypontkosit ωhliikit: svtarkvn isset. on it he sat; the scales he took, perpendicularly waka-pisse-tvkliike ittitalichit liikit. cow-milk-bread (the cheese) for them he cut, he sat omiis rokken omit; Svtarkvn hvmkit one piece large the scales with was; svtarrit. wmatin sinhennin. pylhymkit he weighed it. and then the other side was heavier: honnatin okkyntet. rokken kvllepit. ma that heavy side he bit occasionally, large piece he broke off. Hatvm svtarrwf. pylhymkit sinhennin; Again when he weighed it, the other side was heavier; okkvntet, rokken kvllipvntet papepin he bit it occasionally, large piece broke off and Posit hechakit, sehoko sehayit lokepin they two stood awhile devouring by eating they saw. hechakeky: Pvłke apwhmitskin because they saw; to us give it back again wwtkw-istin pometiis ittikvpiiche peyet nos', we ourselves can divide it for ourselves truly, coon-person, kiichakin. Wotko-istit Hytétesinnő! they said to him. coon-person Not quite so fast! kiichin. Momiis pwsit lypken anomis. said. But cat very quick to us give it,

kiichakin. Momiis aheremáhin chemthey said to him. for you But a very great deal vnhechkyranat tylkwses: atωtkvkiikv fekety I must receive obliged to: I have worked, therefore pay waka-pisse-tvkliike vnfekachkati, heyv momin this cow-milk-bread (cheese) and if you pay me, omvllechyranat tvlkosis. kiichahkit. every bit and grain it will take obliged to, he said to them. lωkepytes.* @mvlkvn chawelipit, hompepit, he devoured it. All of it he took, he ate it. istomosiis kirkeechetos.-Naki Heyvt makes known the following.- Little things This ehaperk wset ittωpωnavechky ahakv sωlhapeve quarrel about them, very trifling law to go to (and) omati. it is.

^{*} That is just as beautiful a phrase, and as much of a climax, as "Abiit, evasit, abrupit."



FABLES.

THE GOOSE THAT LAID THE GOLDEN EGG.

NAK WNVKOCHI.

Isti hvmkit sásvkwy inhokten vreriichepytes, momatin nitta omvlkvn chvtekonaplani ichhestakin siichen omvtes. Montomatin heyv hiiyomosati imittetayekos sinhakit; sásvkwv inhokten elihchiit, ittefalahpiit chvtokonaplani ofv ochatin ayetvhvmkin omvlkvn omvliheharis komit arit sásvkwv inhekten elechvtes. Momit ittefalalipit hechatin nakit sekatin aheremáhin imehäperkvtes.

Isti naki wchepit wmiisim, imittetayekw sinhakit ayokhvmkvn enaki wchemáhe haketvn kwmit arati ayokhvmkosiis emi naki ochepyte somylkytiis isso-

mechiichepet omati, heyvt pomohayet os.



THE WOLF AND THE LAMB.

NAK WNVKOCHI.

Yahvt nitta hiiyemähin arit yvpifiikechin ittefatchytes; momit ewyn'kakit oewy ryni a-okfiihnen iskykyranit ittehechytes. Moman yahyt whihylwatimiin whoerit wmatit yvpifiikechin inhomichipetvn komit Ket! nakit istomatin eewv svkka holwayechichkehak's? Chetipkares, kiichin. Yvpifiikechit impiñkalit, kot! istoméchiit oewv ischemykkaholwiiyechiiye tayehak's? chemi eskitchkatit yvmv yisfiilinetws; vrepv momvtekan istoméchiit aholwiiyechakwtayes, kiichin. Mometw istomiis herkwpy twyichkis, achωρωnayechichkvtin pwhiimvtvs miske hymke oman kiichin. Heyv okitchkati chahitchkekω emωnkytates kiichin, mωnky vnitωkates. Yahyt istωmechikω tayit kirriiyit aheremahin chapokke eyωmechit arit rahwyiirit, chintωkate istőiis, chirkit ωkytes : mωnky myt ittinhymkos kiihchit. Halahtit, selahlehchit, papepytes. Isti hwlwiiyechemahit wmati isti naki immyttosekiis istimirriichepati naki issekkity hichkeechet omati. heyvt pomohayet omis.



ASS IN LION'S SKIN.

NAK WNVKOCHI.

Rokkwpiihkv pwchas wchet arepatetet nakitv kome sekot arepet omatit isti-papv hyrpit kakin ishechvtes. Momit vtchepit svrepit safvtchke hérit svrepit ωmiky, pωnytty isfiksumechii chépiiyes kωmytes. Momit atchit arit ponytty atékat aheremáhin fiksumhoechit isafvtckehérit arvtetet epwchasit arin hi'hchit mow wo fiksumechiiehiit aneliichipvres komytes. Momit ahiremahin ehenichkiichit aohhatvtes; momin epochasit hehchit aheremahin infiksumiikofvt, momiis hvtchko chvpchaket omin hi'hchit heriichit vketechan imechwrokkwpiihkv achulit wmin kirriiyit, ket! chemit vmvkirritvn kome hayit istipapy hyrpi vtche havit omitskiis, che hytchko chypchakat istomechit ohranitskeko ittetayekv, mvt echwhkirkoechis; pwchasit kiilichit nvfkvrantvies! Isti hoperrinekati achéweseken momit omati nákosiis istomehayit are acheweket eohkirkeechet omvntis.



THE WOLF IN A SHEEP-SKIN.

NAK WNYCOCHI.

Yahvt arit yvpifiikv sulket fellin hechvtetet. Imvkirriiyit apakit arit pvsatiit hempehpvketan omiis komit akirriichvtes. Monkv yvpifiik hvrpin hopowepit hichkeechepit atchit yvpifiikv imakerrit apakit arit pvsatit, papepit, vrepvteten. Yvpifiik ahechiichvt nakit omehakis? Komit arvtetet. Sohkerrit imvkerriiyit, wvnayit, atarrin. Yvpefiik-ahechiichvlki apvlwyt, ket! nakit istomatin? Ket!

yvpifiikvn atarichkehakis? Kiichakin.

Yvpifiikvn ωmakes, mωmiis yahvt yvpifiikv hvrpin vtche hayet arin sωhkerriit ωmiis kiichit, apvlwvn imωnayin. Kirrakit istωñkvn ma isti naωrkv fvtchvn mωmechit ωĥmichkiis, kiichakit, imafvchkvketates. Heyv yahv arvte ωmat isti sulket ωmes. Isti fvtchemáhe eyωmeche, isti herakan apakit fellvtetiis, hωfennekωmahin ahayωset akirret ωmvteten ωĥkirriikin alisketv rokketiis ωĥfvtchiiyiis heere mωmet ωmis. Μωῆkv isti impωnvkv, mωmit immvtchωsvke achokkiiyen kirreskω ittetayet ωmikv.

Isti ittikerrakat ahériichit imvretvn imvkitéchit

ωmittvtat heyvt pωmωhayet ω's.



THE LION, THE WOLF, AND THE FOX.

NAK WNVKOCHI.

Isti-papy, Yaha, Chula, istωchenin.

Isti papyt pennyta atékat wmylky immiko tomis. Yaha pennyta etv atékat omylkyn inhissi tokot omis. Chula pennyta etv atékat omylkyn akirrety Isti-papy achulemähet innekket whifvnket wmis. ehetin wokkin. Ponnyta atékat inviichit inherkysá-Chulv tvlkosit alokkeken. Yahvt kit omatin. mikket inhissin chahaliyit chulvn inhemichikvs komehpit arit: mikkω tωyichkat, chulvhkvn chenekati, Kirreket omikes; momiis imekvsymkyt omechiichin hiiyomati alokeket omis kiichit: hiiyomati lypketiis illihpin aywpwsiikit mikkw hakepares kwmatit a-ateket wmis kiichin. Mikket lapkwsin svnyiihwchikvs, makin. Chula alakit, nakosiis mikken kiihochvteten wkvtes komit:-Mikko tovichkat, nakit istómin alokvko yómvtéke orit omati chimoniiyvraniis kiilichit. Heyv chiminneketv chinwiicheche ittitiiyat heliswvn hopovvraniit isti tinfátchiit omiimytyt hopiiye mahit omit omiis iiyiimytyt irkerriit, alakit omiis; momin mii, ariiyofv isti naki imvnvchykykimáhan ittimponiiviit naki chinwiichehchyranat tvlkωsat irkerriit; alakit ωmiis, kiichin. Istipapvt ket! naki-tωhakis? Isafachkωsit kiichit impωhin. Yahan, illehchit, tωrωhhit, hvrpi hiiye mωkke emωňkvn, chinna ωmvlkvn siiyωkkωhichkakit; heyvt chinwiichechvranat tvlkωsis, Chula Hachet kiihchin. Istipapv akvsahmin, Yahan illehchit, tωrωhhit, hvrpi istipapvn vtchehωchvtes. Isti ωhloksit naki imahωpvnetvn kωme heeretv istémimiit naki hirekωmáhe eyωhchokkeechvket ωmit nak hirekωt ωmati, heyvt pωmvhayet ωmis.



THE EAGLE AND THE CROW.

NAK WNVKOCHI.

Lymhe, Wsaliwy, tepakan.

Osahwyt arit Lymhit yypifiikochin issit siiyepin hechytetot. Yypifiikot follin hekchit, inyikche lymhi emoriichekot omiis. Yni wo momechiiyes komit, fikhymiikit yypifiikyn esytes; mentomatit, yypifiiky achulen omit, istomit istymkekow ittitiiyit omiis, illit yypifiiky-issin ayokchepin, inrochopkity komiis istonko ittitiiyit yypifiiky oliliikin sarin, yypifiiky yhechiichyt ishechit. Koh!! mechytan chesiis ro-

chepkitv komit istohmichkekos. Vnhopee takochi simokkopvnkvt toyvranichkis, kiilichit; heyvt chenahvmki imvhayvres naki momechiko ittitayat ohhiiyokhvmkitv tokati, momit isti momechepe ittitaye momechepat sahopayetv tokati. Naki momechitvn komichkati ahériichit momechichke ittitayati okketé chemiit momechitvtati, heyvt chimahaye tomis.



THE MAN AND THE SERPENT.

NAK WNVKOCHI.

Chitet inhissen itipvke.

Isti hvmkit hitete rokkoliichen fayepit arit omatit chito hitetvránosen ishechit. Immirriiyit ehetin svlakit, totkvni mittechit, wokkéchin ahiiyit chvfikne hakit achvmmiksit omatit ma isti, svlakati mahosan okkvranin. Ket! heyvt chimmerriiyati svmfekvranichkat tohakis? Kiihchit. Cheholwiiyeches, chillvranat tvlkis, kiihhit; itten issit, ekyn sinnvffii'kit elechvtes. Isti holwiiyechyke heyv chito omakat saséto momiis, isti-istimerkakosati immerrakat immomechiichykéris.

GRAMMAR OF THE CREEK LANGUAGE.

§ 1. Creek Grammar is the art of speaking and

writing the Creek Language with propriety.

§ 2. The letters of the Creek Alphabet are 22 in number, which are called a, e, ii, i, ω, e, o, u, v, ch, f, h, r, k, l, m, n, p, s, t, w, y.

§ 3. The first nine letters in the Creek alphabet

are vowels, and all the rest are consonants.

§ 4. No one of these 22 letters has more than one sound in any Creek word; neither do they ever lose their sound, or become silent; yet, when there is a quick and frequent succession of the same vowel, the sound is a little shortened.

Of the sound of the vowel A a.

This letter has the open or Italian sound, as a in pä, mä, fär, fäther; as, aha, a potatoe; yaha, a wolf; ache, corn; and ayo, a hawk. It is the first letter in nearly every known alphabet, and is thought to be "the first vocal sound naturally formed by the human organs; being the sound uttered with a mere opening of the mouth without constraint, etc." This has been illustrated by an old writer, in the following distich:

"A, A, the infant in the cradle cries;

But when grown old, he sighs out ah! and dies."

Of the sound of the vowel E e,

This letter always has the long sound as e in mē, wē, shē, bē; as, emette, fruit; efv, a dog; eme, he, she, or it.

Of the sound of the vowel II ii.

This vowel always has the long sound as i in sigh, nigh, mine, pine, fine; as, hiiyomat, now; kiichiis, I say; momiis, but; iiyiis, etc.

Of the sound of the vowel I i.

This always has the shortest sound of i; as i in it, bit, hit, sit, etc.; as, isti, a person; istimirky, punish-

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ment; vnit, I (myself); ippechi, a son; istechi, a child, etc. For my own part I can not see that this sound is any more difficult than that of the vowel a, as it is also formed "without constraint, and without any effort to alter the natural position or configuration of the lips." And if Webster's argument, from "words first uttered by infants," in favor of a, be good, then i will take the palm with Creeks; for it is found in irki, his father; ichki, his mother; as well as in chyrki, and chychki."

Of the sound of the vowel Θ ω .

I have selected the Greek omega (ω) to represent the long sound of o, as o in $s\bar{o}$, $g\bar{o}$, $n\bar{o}$, $sh\bar{o}w$, etc.; as, ωpv , an owl; ωfv , in; $\omega sahwv$, a crow, etc.

© is the fourth vowel in the Creek alphabet, and its sound is formed organically, by the breath flowing out of the mouth through the cylindrical concavity of the tongue and round configuration of the lips.

Of the sound of the vowel Θ θ .

I selected the Greek theta (θ) to represent the sound of oo in book, nook, took, look, or the obtuse sound of oo in foot; as hekte, a woman; nekke, sick; perki, our father; tettωlωse, a chicken. Its sound is formed as in the preceding vowel, but with less effort of the organs.

Of the sound of the vowel O o.

This is the fifth vowel in the Creek alphabet, and I give to it the short sound of ŏ in nŏt, gŏt, pŏt, shŏt, sŏt, etc.; as okchowfky, an Indian hen; okhyssi, a pond; chorokko, a horse; rinpoksin, the next day, etc.

Of the sound of the vowel U u.

The sound of this vowel is rather acute than long,

^{*} The Saxon word tit, which children use to this day, has the sound of i short, and so has the corresponding Creek word pise and epise.

and is like ou in Louisville, or u in brute, flute, acute, etc.; as, chula, a fox; suletawv, a soldier; oksumketv, baptism, etc.

Of the sound of the vowel V v.

This is the ninth Creek vowel, and represents the shortest sound of u, as in but, cut, shut, nut, etc.; as, vpvtvnv, a bull-frog; vkvt ω laswv, a very small

species of frog; hvti, yet, etc.

A Consonant is a letter that can never be sounded without the aid of a vowel; as p is sounded pe; s, sé, m, me in Creek; and em in English. The consonants, as they stand in order, are the thirteen following, namely, ch, f, h, r, k, l, m, n, p, s, t, w, and y; all of which require an e to follow in their Creek pronunciation, though they may be sounded as in English, with the following exceptions and restrictions, namely,

The letter r sounds as l aspirated, like the hl of our mother (Saxon) tongue in hlaf, loaf; hlot, lot; or like the welch ll in Ilan, a lawn.* The letter n with a stroke over it is always preceded by an accented vowel, and followed by k; and then it is nasalated, and sounds like ng in among; as istonkyn;

emonkin inki, etc.

The consonant s in Creek always has a hissing dental sound, as s in mistake, mislike, misrule, etc. The consonants might be subdivided, as in English; but in an elementary work like this, it is unnecessary.

Of diphthongs or double vowels.

A Diphthong is a coalition of two sounds, which are distinctly heard by a simple emission of the voice; as, ee in eéwv, water; ee in hωρeewv.

The diphthongs are-

ae, as aeha! alas! ωĥaemahvs, go on, or continue going.

^{*} Are the Creeks of Celtic origin? who knows?

Ew, nearly like ieu in lieu, or ew in dew; as, chintakew, John, vii., 47.

iie, as iielali !-ow, as in ahowke, a door.

ωe, ωewv water; ωmhωekathakis? John, vii., 25. ωi, ωimelωhlv, and ωi alakv, waves; from ωewv water, etc.

ee, hωρeewv, a child; hωρeetaki, children.

ei, this diphthong is used sometimes as an inter-

jection.

Besides the foregoing, there are many other combinations of vowels in Creek that are pronounced, in all respects, as diphthongs; but I leave them out of the list, from the simple fact that they are contractions of pronouns, adverbs, and other particles, that are joined to verbs beginning with vowels. Some of them may be found in the following words: Eachekate, eillechvrhakis? aωhhatin, sevniichky, and many others. The Creek language abounds with the union of vowels, and very often with the union of the same vowels; as in the words eemωhkirkeechich kekarhakis, eemehich keechvtes, aachωhhatit, etc.

There are no improper diphthongs in Creek from the fact that no letter looses its sound, and all the

vowels are heard in every combination.

OBSERVATIONS ON CREEK NOUNS.

The name of any person, place, or thing is a Noun. Nouns are either common or proper.

The name of a person, city, or particular country

is a proper noun, as Petv, Chani, etc.

The name of any thing, as whilihketv, a seat, is a

Common Noun.

Common nouns are not varied on account of gender or number; but the number is known by the numerals which follow them, or the adjectives and verbs with which they are connected; as, posi hymkit, one cat, i.e., a cat; posi hokolit, two cats; posit letkis, the

cat runs; posit tokorkis, the two cats run; posit pefatkis, the cats run. The gender is usually known from the connection, or by adding inhokte for feminine, and inhonvnwy for masculine.

Note 2.—Hoktvle, or hoktvlwv, is applied to such animals of the feminine gender as are old; as, rokk \omegadothology deltaktvlwv, an old mare.

The first form of the noun is simply the name.

The Nominative case is formed from the first form, or simple name of the noun, by affixing t to the final vowel; as, first form isti, a person, nominative istit.

Creek nouns are varied, to denote possession; but they are always the nouns possessed, instead of the

possessing nouns, that are thus varied.

The Possessive case is formed by prefixing the contracted form of the possessive pronoun to the first form, or simple name of the thing possessed; as, Chani imislafky, John his knife, or John's knife.

The Objective or Accusative case is formed from

the first form by affixing n; as,

1st. form Chani, John, rvrω, a fish, pinwv, a turkey Nomin. Chanit, "rvrωt, "pinwvt, "Object. Chanin, "rvrωn, "pinwvn, "

1st. form. Nomin. Object.
Θkitv, Θkitvt, Θkitvn, time.
Efv, Efvt, Efvn, a dog.
Islafkv, Islafkvt, Islafkvn, a knife.
Θhiliketv, Θhiliketvt, Θliiketvn, a seat.
Ηωηνηνν, Ηωηνηνντ, Ηωηνηννη, a man.

Note.—Creek nouns are so regular in the terminations of the nominative and objective cases, that I have never seen an exception to the above rule, unless, for the sake of euphony, the t and n are sometimes omitted when the next syllable begins with the same letter.

LIST OF SOME CREEK NOUNS DECLINED.

FIRST DECLENSION.

N.B.—You will observe that the first form of every declinable part of speech always ends with a vowel, the Nominative case with t, and the Objective with n, thus:

NOMINATIVE. OBJECTIVE.

ENGLISH.

A prophet.

Grace.

FIRST FORM.

Chekfvlwv.

Owalv.

Mirretv.

Hωmpitvt, Hompityn, Food. Hωmpity, Rynihylwe. Rvnihvlwet, Rvnihvlwen, A mountain. Niskvchωkω Niskvcheket, Niskvchekωn, Storehouse. Chatv. Chatvt. Chatvn. Blood. Honvnwv, Honvnwyt. Hωnvnwvn, A man. Hesakity, Hesakitvt. Hesakityn. Opwnvkv, Opwnvkvt. Opωnvkvn, Word. Hωchifky. Hochifkyn, Name. Hochifkyt, Yikchetv. Yikchetvt. Yikchetvn. Strength. Yomotske, Yometsket. Yωmetsken, Darkness. Naki Nakit, Nakin. Any thing. Orolope, Orwlopet, Orwlopen, A year. Miske Misket, Misken, Summer. Rvfω. Winter. Ryfet. Ryfen. Nitta. Nittat, Nittan, Day. Nire, Niret, Niren. Night. Lypytki, Lypytket. Lypytken, Wilderness. Istvlkin, Istvlki. Istvlkit. Disciples. Ittepahwye, Ittipahwyet, Ittipahwyen, A wedding.

SECOND DECLENSION.

Chekfvlwvt, Chekfvlwvn, Rim of a pot.

Owalvn.

Mirretvn.

There are some nouns that are never used without the contracted form of the possessive pronouns prefixed; and as these all have a double declension, I shall arrange them as belonging to the second declension.

@walvt.

Mirretvt,

EXAMPLES.

Singular.

1 per. chvňki,* my hand. Nom. chvňkit. Obj. chvňkin.
2 "cheňki, your hand. "cheňkit. "cheňkin.
3 "eňki, his hand. "eňkit. "eňkin.

Plural

per. pωňki, our hand Nom. pωňkit. Obj. pωňkin.
 "cheňkitaki, your h. "cheňkitakit "cheňkitakin
 "eňkitaki, their h. "eňkitakit. "eňkitakin.

Singular.

1 chawvnwv, my sister. 2 chewvnwv, your sister. 3 ewvnwv, his sister.

Plural with sing. pronoun.

1 per. chawvntaki, my sist.

2 " chewyntaki your s

2 " chewvntaki, your s. 3 " ewvntaki, his sist.

Plural.

powvnwv, our sister. chewvnwvtaki, your sist. ewvnwvtaki, their sister.

Plural with plur. pronoun. 1 pωwvntaki, our sisters. 2 chewvntaki, your sist. 3 ewvntaki, their sisters.

Note.—Each one of the persons in these nouns may be declined separately, as they are, in fact, distinct names.

Singular.

1 per. charaha, my older brother.†
2 "cheraha, your older brother.
3 "eraha, his older brother.

Plural.

charahvlki, my older brothers.
 cherahvlki, your older brothers.
 erahvlki, his older brothers.

When a man is speaking

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* Wesakv may be added to each person of this noun, and then it will be my finger, your finger, etc., according to the person.

† When a man says charaha, he means his older brother; but when a woman says it, she means her older sister.

When a woman speaks, for a

man never says

chachirwy.

Singular.

1 per.	chachirwy, my brother.
2 "	chechirwy, your brother.
3 "	echirwy, her brother.

Plural.

chachirtaki, my brothers.
 chechirtaki, your brothers.

3 " echirtaki, her brothers.

1 " chachesi, my younger brother.*
2 " chechesi, your younger brother.

3 " echesi, his younger brother.

1 "chachesvlki, my younger brethren.2 "chechesvlki, your younger brethren.

3 " echesvlki, his younger brethren.

Singular.

1 " pωchesi, our younger brother.

2 " chechesitaki, your younger brother.
3 " echesitaki, their younger brother.

Plural.

1 " pωchesvlki, our younger brothers.

2 " chechesvlkitaki, your younger brothers.
3 " echesvlkitaki, their younger brothers.

Singular noun and pronoun.

1 " singular chvrki, my father.
2 " chirki your father

" chirki, your father. irki, his father.

Singular noun and plural pronoun.

1 " perki, our father.

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2 "chirkitaki, your father.3 "irkitaki, their father.

^{*} Chachosi, my younger brother, when a man says it, and my younger sister, when a woman says it.

Plural noun and pronoun.

1 per. Perkvlki, or perkvlkitaki, our fathers, or ancestors.

chirkvlki, your fathers. Singular pronoun. 66 irkvlki, his fathers.

3 2 44 chirkvlkitaki, your fathers or ancestors. irkvlkitaki, their fathers or ancestors.

Singular.

1 chychki, my mother. chichki, your mother. 3 66 ichki, his mother.

Plural pronoun.

1 pechki, our mother.

46 chichkitaki, your mother. 3 ichkitaki, their mother.

pechkvlki, or pechkvlkitaki, our mothers. 1

2 chichkvlkitaki, your mothers. 3 ichkvlkitaki, their mothers.

1 chyppeehi, my son. 1 chyppechitaki, my sons. chippechi, your son. 2 chippechtaki, your sons.

3 3 ippechitaki, his sons. ippechi, his son.

Plural.

66 1 pωppechitaki, our sons.

66 chemitaki chippechitaki, your sons. 3 Emitaki ippechitaki, their sons.

1 ,	2022	chychhosti,* my daughter.					
2 1	per.	chichhesti, your daughter.					
	ii	ichhesti, his daughter.					
3			Santa I				
1	**		man				
2	44		ld say.				
2 3	"	ichhestvlki, his daughters.					
1	44	pechhesti, our daughter.					
2	66	chichhestitaki, your daughter.					
2 3	"	ichhestitaki, their daughter.					
	**	pechhestvlki, our daughters.					
2	66	chichhostvlkitaki, your daughters.					
1 2 3	- 66	ichhestvlkitaki, their daughters.					
02	200	Singular.					
1	40	chychhoswy, my son or daughter.					
2 3	"	chichheswy, your son or daughter.	Asa				
3	"	ichheswy, her son or daughter.					
		Plural.	would				
1	"	chychhostaki, my sons or daughters.					
2	"	chichhestaki, your sons or daughters	say.				
1 2 3 1 2 3	"	ichhestaki, their sons or daughters.					
1	"	pechhestaki, our sons or daughters.	THE STATE OF				
2	44	chichhestakitaki, your sons or daughters.					
3	40	ichhestakitaki, their sons or daughters.					
	"	Singular.	41. am it				
1	"	chvlli, my foot.) add wesakv, and	then it				
2 3	"	chilli, your foot. > will be my toe, y	our toe,				
3	46	illi, his foot.) his toe, etc.					
Plural pronoun. 1 per. pelli, our foot.							
		2 " chillitaki, your foot.					
		3 " illitaki, their foot.					
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^{*} A man who says chychhosti, means thereby his own daughter, or the daughter of any man, belonging to his clan; for example; a man of the Deer, or any other clan, claims as his daughters the daughters of any other man belonging to that clan.

† A woman never says chychhosti, nor chyppochi, for son, or daughter, as a man does.

VNHISSI-my	friend,	declined;	which is	the first
2222				

Nominative case, singular number vnhissit.

Possessive " " vnhissi, followed by the possessive pronoun.

Objective " " vnhissin.

Vocative vnhissi twyichkat, or vnhissé.

Nominative plural vnhissvlkit.

Possessive " vnhissvlki, followed by the possessive pronoun.

Objective " vnhissvlkin.

Vocative "vnhissvlki twyachkat, or vnhissvlké.

Note.—When several classes of persons are addressed at the same time, as brethren, sisters, and friends, all the names are mentioned according to their first forms, except the last, which has twyachkat annexed; as, ittichokkeyvte, chawvntaki unhissylki twyachkat; My brethren, sisters, and friends.

The vocative has the last syllable strongly accented; as, Chané

O! John.

PLURAL OF NOUNS.

Names denoting people of different colors, languages, towns, clans, occupations, etc., are varied on account of number, and the plural is formed from the singular by the affix vlki; corresponding to the ans in Americans, Bostonians, etc.; as,

Ichω, a deer; Ichωwylki Indians of the Deer clan. 44 Bird Feswy, a bird; Feswylki " 66 Chula, a fox; Culvlki Fox 66 Hotvli, wind; Hotvlkvlki Wind 66 Nekesi, a bear ; Nekesvlki Bear Wolf Yaha, a wolf; Yahvlki Beaver " Ichhaswu, a beaver ; Ichhaswvlki 66 66 Hvlpvtv, an alligator; Hvlpvtvlki, Alligator 66 Wωtkω, a coon; Wωtkvlki Coon 46 Oktiiyáchi, ? Oktiiyáchvlki 10 Rvrω, a fish; Rvrωvlki Fish 66 22 Potatoe Aha, a potatoe; Ahalakvlki Tiger Katchy, a tiger; Katchylki 12 66 ? Waksi, ? Waksvlki Heneha, ? Henehakvlki 66 46 Nøkfilv, ? Nøkfilvlki 66 62

PLURAL OF NOUNS-Continued.

Singular. Plural.
Istilvsti, Itilvstvlki, Black people, or Africans.
Istihvtki, Istihvtkvlki, White "Europeans.
Istichata, Istichatvlki, Red "Indians.
Wychina, Wychinvlki, Virginians (applied by Indians to all Americans).

Chalita, Chalitvlki, Chocta Indians.

Maskoke, Maskokvlki, Creek "
Wasasv, Wasasvlki, Osage "
Sulitawv, Svlitawvlki, Soldiers.

Kowetv, Kowetvlki, people of Coweta Town, etc.

DECLENSION OF SOME PROPER NOUNS.*

Singular. Plural.

First form Istihvtki. Istihvtkvlki.

Nominative Istihvtkit. Istihvtkvlkit.

Possessive Istihvtki im. Istihvtkvlki im.

Objective Istihvtkin. Istihvtkvlkin.

First form Chani, John; Plural wanting.

Nominative Chanit.

Possessive Chani inkvpωtωkv, John's hat.

Objective Chanin.

SECOND DECLENSION—Continued.

Chynyrke my abdomen. Chenvrke n vour Envrke his n Chyfelowy n my shoulder. Chefelowv tn your Efelwwv t n his Vmpωlωkchy tn my hip. Chimpwlokehy tn vour Impolokchy

^{*} All Creek nouns that may be called, or spoken to, have a vocative or nominative case independent, which is distinguished by a strong accent on the final letter of the first form; or sometimes by adding twyichkat for the singular, and twyachkat for the plural.

Chvhvffi	1	1)	
Chehvffi	1	r	}	from the hip to the knee.
Ehvffi	1	-1		
Chvsvkpv		1)	
Chesvkpv	- 1	1	}	the arm.
Esvkpv	1	r)	

Chvňkichki (my hand's mother), my thumb.

Chvnkissmilkv (my hand to point with), my forefinger.

Chvnki nvrkvp heery (my hand in the middle), my middle finger.

Chvňki hochifkvseko (my hand name none), ringfinger.

Chvnkichheswechi (hands' little babe), my little finger. Chvlli ichki (my foot's mother), my great toe.

Chvlli, my foot; chvlli chisky, my heel.

Chvtwlaswv, my tongue; Chvchekwv, my mouth.

All the nouns are declined as those above, and have the possessive signs chv, che, and E, for the first, second, and third persons, prefixed.

LIST OF SOME CREEK NOUNS DECLINED.

SECOND DECLENSION.

Note.-Nearly all the names of the different parts of the body belong to the second declension; i.e., they are never used without the possessive pronoun prefixed. In the declension of the following nouns I will give only the first form, and then the final letters, or signs of the other cases.

Chvkv _	t	n	my head.
Chekv	t	n	your "
Ekv	t	n	his "
Chvlli	t	n	my foot or feet.
Chilli	t	n	your "
Illi	t	n	his "
Chvnetti	t	n	my tooth or teeth
Chenetti	t	n	your "
Enetti	t	n	his "

Chvhvchkw t n my ear. Chehychko t. n vour his " Ehvchkω n my nose. Chvyupw n Chevupw n vour Eyupω n his Chynekwy 'n my neck. t vour Chenokwy n his Enekwy n Chvhekpi t n my breast. Chehekpi t vour n his Ehekpi tn

OBSERVATIONS ON CREEK PRONOUNS.

Pronouns are employed to prevent a too frequent

repetition of nouns.

As they stand for nouns, they are, of course, subject to the same variations on account of person, number, and case. Creek pronouns have no gender.

PERSONAL PRONOUNS are used immediately for the

nouns, to continue the sense without repetition.

Creek personal pronouns are of two kinds, con-

tracted and uncontracted.

The uncontracted personal pronouns are uniformly regular in their variations on account of case.

EXAMPLES.

First person, singular.
First form Vni, I.
Nomin. Vnit, I.
Objective Vnin, me.

Second person, singular.

First form Chemi, thou or you.

Nomin. Chemit, thou or you.

Objective Chemin, thee or you.

First person, plural.
Pωmi, we.
Pωmit, we.
Pωmin, us.

Second person, plural. Chemitaki, ye or you. Chemitakit, ye or you. Chemitakin, you. Third person, singular.

Third person, plural.

First form Emi, he, she, or it. Emitaki, thev. Emit, he, she, or it. Emitakit, they. Objective

Emin, him, her, it. Emitakin, them.

Note 1.—Personal pronouns, in composition with nouns to denote the possessive case, are nearly always contracted; as, vmistvlke, my people; chimistvlki, your people; em, or imistvlki, his people.

Note 2.—Personal pronouns, when they stand for nouns in the objective case, are nearly always contracted, and form mere prefixes to the active transitive verbs; as, chekerriis, I know you; chenωkichiiyes, I love you; chetepkiis, I whip you, etc.

Note 3.—The contracted forms of pronouns denoting possession, and of those which stand for nouns in the objective case, are the same; but may always be distinguished by the following rule: When they denote possession, they are prefixed to the name of the thing possessed; but when they are the object of an action, they are prefixes to the verbs expressing the action.

Examples of contracted possessive pronouns.

Chy nahymki, my clan. Che nahvmki, your clan. clan. Chemitaki chinahymki, your clan.* Emitaki inahvmki, their clan.

Examples of contracted objective pronouns.

Chin homichiiyes, I hate you. Enahymki, his or her clan. Che tepkiis, I whip you. Pωn, or penahymki, our Chytepkiis, he whips me. Chetepkis, he whips you. Potepkis, he whips us. Intepkiis, I whip his, or hers.

^{*} From these examples it will be seen that the second and third persons plural of the possessive pronouns are doubled; i.e., the plural pronoun stands by itself, and the singular of the same person forms a contracted prefix to the noun.

EXAMPLES OF CONTRACTED PRONOUNS IN THE POSSESSIVE AND OBJECTIVE CASES.

Singular. • Contractions.

First person vni, I. vn, vm, chv.

Second " chemi, thou. che, chin, chim,
Third " emi, he, etc. em, en, in, e, & m.*

Plural. Contractions. First person pωmi, we, pωm, pω, pen.

The second and third persons plural are set down in full, and the contracted forms *chin* and *in* of the second and third persons singular prefixed to the nouns.

I can not yet discover any rule by which we may determine which form of the contractions of a given person ought to be preferred to another in any sentence, save the general one of euphony. I can see that it would be unpleasant to the ear, or difficult to pronounce, if any form were selected contrary to the usus loquendi, or common use of speaking the language; and I am persuaded that that is the only law governing these contractions.

I will now give some examples of the various forms of contracted personal pronouns, prefixed to the neuter verb to be, as it is also contracted; and, by observing the italicized prefixes, the student will see how they are varied for the sake of euphony.

^{*} The following example will illustrate the method and extent of contracting the pronouns: Emit is the third person singular from vni, I, $\omega p \omega n v k v$ is word or speech; now, instead of saying $\omega p \omega n v k v$, or em $\omega p \omega n v k v$, or even im $\omega p \omega n v k v$, it is usual to drop all the letters except the last, which is m, and to say $m \omega p \omega n v k v$ for his word.

INDICATIVE MOOD-PRESENT TENSE.

First person, singular number. Vntωmiis, it is mine.

- 1 Vntomiis, it is mine.
- 2 chintomichkis, it is yours.
- 3 emitamis, it is his or hers.
- 1 pontomes, it is ours.
- 2 chenakitakit omis, it is yours.
- 3 enakitakit wmis, it is theirs.
- 1 vmitates, it was mine (imper. tense).
- 2 chimetates, it was yours.
- 3 emit omvtes, it was his.
- 1 pωmit ωmeyetates, it was ours.
- 2 chemitakit ome páchkvtes, it was yours.
- 3 enakitakit omvtes, it was theirs.
- 1 vnit omiimvtvs, it had been mine (pluperfect).
- 2 chemit wme pichkemytys, it had been yours.
- 3 emit wmépimytys, it had been his.
- 1 pωmit ωmépimytys, it had been ours.
- 2 chintakit wme páchkimytys, it had been yours.

INDICATIVE MOOD-PRESENT TENSE.

First person, singular number. chvnakitis, it belongs to me.

- 1 Chrnakitis, it belongs to me.
- 2 chenakitis, it belongs to you.
- 3 enakitis, it belongs to him.
- 1 pωnakitis, it is ours.
- 2 chenakitaki chenakitis, it is yours.
- 3 enakitakitis, it belongs to them.
- 1 chynakitates, it was belonging to me (im. tense).
- 2 chenakitates, it was belonging to you.
- 3 enakitates, it was belonging to him or her.

1 pωnakitates, it was belonging to us.

2 chemitaki chenakitates, it was your own.

3 enakitaki tates, it was their own.

1 chrnakitúmvtes, it had belonged to me (perfect).

2 chenakit omimvtvs, it had been your own.

3 enakit comimvtvs, it had been his own.

1 pωnakit ωmimvtvs, it had been our own.

2 chenakitakit omepi mvtvs, it had been yours.

NOTE.—By turning to the conjugation of the verbs it may be seen how this will go through all the moods and tenses.

DEMONSTRATIVE PRONOUNS are such as precisely

point out the nouns to which they refer.

As there are no articles in Creek, the demonstrative pronouns are used in their place, when there is no other method of pointing out the particular noun referred to; as, isti hymkit, one person, or a person; ma isti, that person, or the person.

Heyv or Heyvt, this; mvt or ma, that, are demon-

strative pronouns.

Heyvt and mvt are declined like nouns.

INDEFINITE PRONOUNS are such as point out nouns in an indefinite manner.

First form. Nomin. Objective.

Apvlwv, apvlwvt, apvlwvn, some or a part. etv, etv, etvn, the other or another.

nvpv, nvpvt, nvpvn, no one lapled isti istωme, isti istωmet, isti istωmen, any one persons ωmvlkv, ωmvlkvt, ωmvlkvn, all.

Singular.

macima, macimat, maciman, such person or thing.

Plural.

macimaka, macimakat, macimakan, such persons or things.

COMPOUND PERSONAL PRONOUNS.

Nominative case. Objective case. vnimáhosan. Vnimáhosat. I myself. vou vourself, chemimáhosan. chemimáh wsat. he himself. emimáhwsan. emimáhwsat. pomimáhosat. we ourselves, pomimáhosan. chemitaki máhosat, ve yourselves, chemitakimáhosan emitaki máhosat, thev thememitakimáhosan.

selves, emitakimāhωsan.
The words corresponding to our Relative Pronouns are:

Isti istómiis, whoever. | Istiimvt, who? singular. naki istómiis, whichever. | Istiimvtaki, who? plural. istómati, which? (applied to persons or things.)

REMARKS ON CREEK ADJECTIVES.

1. An Adjective is used to express the quality or kind of the noun to which it belongs; as, svtvrokkω here, a good apple; svtvrokkω chvmpe, a sweet apple, etc.

2. Creek adjectives are placed immediately after

the nouns which they qualify.

3. The noun to which an adjective belongs is not varied on account of case, but is placed according to its first form, or simple name.

4. Adjectives are declined like nouns, and always assume the case that the noun would be in if it had

no adjective to qualify it.

5. Adjectives are varied on account of number, and, as common Creek nouns are not, their number, whether singular or plural, may be known by the adjective.

6. The degrees of comparison may be called Positive, Comparative, and Superlative; though the first

is hardly a degree of comparison.

7. Creek adjectives are remarkably regular and uniform, both in their declensions and comparisons.

The comparative degree is formed by prefixing sin to the positive, and the superlative is formed by prefixing ri to the comparative; as, chumpe, sweet; sinchvmpe, sweeter; risinchvmpe, sweetest. These may be declined like nouns; as,

First form. Nomin. Objective.

chympe, chympet, chympen, sweet.
sinchympe, sinchympet, sinchympen, sweeter.
risinchympe, risinchympet, risinchympen, sweetest.

Note.—In conversation or speaking, any of these degrees may be made more forcible by accent; as, hopiiye, far off; hopiiye, very far off, etc.

COMPARISON AND DECLENSION OF ADJECTIVES.

Singular.

First form. Nomin. Objective. Engl.
Posit. Kvmeksi, kvmeksit, kvmeksin, sour.
Comp. sinkvmeksi, sinkvmeksit, sinkvmeksin.*
Super. risinkvmeksi, risinkvmeksin.

Plural, or added to nouns that have a plural meaning.

Posit. kvmeksvke, kvmeksvket, kvmeksvken, sour.

Comp. sinkvmeksvke, sinkvmeksvket, sinkvmeksvken.

Super. risinkvmeksvke, risinkvmeksvket, risinkvmeksvken.

Singular.

Posit. rokke, rokket, rokken, big, or large.
Comp. sinrokke, sinrokket, sinrokken.
Super. risinrokke, risinrokket, risinrokket.

^{*} For lack of space the English of the comparative and superlative degrees has to be omitted, but the signs more and most can be understood.

Plural.

Posit. rokrokke, rokrokket, rokrokken, large. Comp. sinrokrokke, sinrokrokket, sinrokrokken. Super. risinrokrokke, risinrokrokket, risinrokrokken.

Singular.

Posit. home, homet, homen, bitter. Comp. sinhome, sinhomet, sinhomen.

Super. risinhome, risinhomet, risinhomen.

Plural.

Posit. homvke, homvket, homvken, bitter. Comp. sinhomvke, sinhomvket, sinhomvken. Super. risinhomvke, risinhomvket, risinhomvken.

Singular.

Posit. likwe, likwet, likwen, rotten. Comp. sinlikwe, sinlikwet, sinlikwen.
Super. risinlikwe, risinlikwet, risinlikwen.

Plural.

Posit. likhowe, likhowet, likhowen, rotten. Comp. sinlikhowe, sinlikhowet, sinlikhowen. Super. risinlikhowe, risinlikhowet, risinlikhowen.

In a few examples the n of the comparative and superlative signs is changed into m, for the sake of euphony; as, Posit. Θ klani, yellow; Comp. simeklani, more yellow, etc.

I find one example (there may be others) where the plural has an entirely different root from the singular; as, chetke, small, applied to one thing that is small; and lopechke, small, applied to many of a kind that are small. Some adjectives have a superlative signification in themselves, and hence do not admit of the degrees of comparison; as,

omvlky, all.

yωksvsekωn, everlasting, or without end; ittitayet, enough, or sufficient;

ispωke, the last, or the end.

The first two of these adjectives admit of no plural, but the last does when applied to the last or end of several things; as the ends of corn rows, etc.

I have found that the following is a rule that will most generally apply in forming the plural adjectives

from the singular.

Adjectives of two syllables form their plurals by inserting the contracted form of the first syllable between the two syllables of the singular, thereby making three; as, Sing. tvphe, wide; Plur. tvptvhe. From this it seems that at first the Creeks may have formed the plural by a repetition of the singular; as, tvphe tvphe, and then shortened to tvptvphe, and finally to tvptvhe.

Singular and Plural of Creek Adjectives.

Hvlwe, lowke, sofke, sofke, pvfne, wvnhe, lowvchke, lowvchloke, soft lowvchloke, lowvchloke, lowvchloke, soft lowvchloke, soft lowvchloke, soft lowvchloke, soft lowvchloke, soft lowvchloke, lowvchloke, lowvchloke, deep (applied to liquids).

lvste, lvslvte, black.
tvphe, silkwse, silsikøse, narrow.
kwchencheke, short.
chate, chatvke, red.

hvtke, hvthvke, white. lane, lanvke, green. holwake, holwahoke, ha

holwake, holwahoke, bad, or evil. sulseke, many (the plural is applied to

many parcels, each containing many).

OF ADVERBS.

1. Creek Adverbs are generally placed before the words to which they belong to qualify them; as, yikchen ωρωπαγίτ, he spake loud; mihinwωsin chekii-

chakiis, verily, verily, I say unto you, etc.

2. Sometimes, in Creek, what we call the adverb in English forms a part of the main verb; as, Hechekares, shall not see; eachekates, did not want; whicheyekares, shall not come into; kwhimatskvs, do not wonder, etc.*

3. Some adverbs are compared like adjectives; as, hére, well; sinhére, better; risinhére, best, etc.

The following list embraces a few of the different

classes of Creek adverbs.

1. Of Number; hatvm, again; svnvchumv, again; hvmkv, sahekelv, svtechenv, once, twice, thrice, etc.

2. Of Order; risahwkwlat, 2ndly; risattechenat,

3dly, etc.

3. Of Place; etiin, away, or somewhere else; anakvn, near by; ittimposat, very near to; mvn, there; irtvpalv, on the other side, etc.

4. Of Time present; mechy, immediately; hiiyω-mat, now, etc., past; poksyňke, yesterday; poksynki

vsiiyvnke, day before yesterday.

Future; mochviiyati, after this; pokse, to-morrow;

inyupv, rimωhyupv, emωhyupvn, etc.

Indefinite; hvti, yet; etán, at the same time; ayokhvmkosin, suddenly; istofiis, always; emawoliichin, near by (as to time); hosfonehmáhin, a long time; chahemvn, before me.

5. Of Quantity; ittetayin, enough.

6. Of Manner or Quality; tωńkvlke, all together; tvlkωs, only; istvmańin, greatly; eńke, secretly; fikhvmkωsit, boldly; lvpken, quickly; hvlwen, high,

^{*} For further explanation, in my conjugation of the verb kiichetv, I will put the negative form throughout.

tvlkekes, not only; lvpωntkωsit, perpendicularly; ittitiihvmkin, equally; ωĥhatvlakin, the more; matapωmωsin and etapωmωsin, in the same manner; ωme, like; yikchen, loud, etc.

OF PREPOSITIONS.

1. Creek Prepositions usually form affixes to nouns or prefixes to verbs, being seldom used by themselves; but whether used in composition, or alone; they perform the same office of English prepositions, except that they do not always govern the objective case.

2. When prepositions are affixed to nouns, they are declined like nouns and adjectives; and always assume the same case that the noun would be in, if

it stood by itself.

DECLENSIONS OF SOME PREPOSITIONS.

First f.	Nom.	Obj.	
Ofv,	ωfvt,	ωfvn,	in.
ωsse,	ωsset,	ωssen,	out of.
ωnvpv, elichv,	ωnvpvt, elichvt,	ωnvpvn, elichvn,	on top.*
	CHCH v b,	enenvn.	under.

EXAMPLES OF PREPOSITIONS IN COMPOSITION WITH NOUNS.

Chωκωωfvt Ivchpetiis, the house was wet inside, or rather the inside of the house was wet; chωκωωfvn, liikis, I am in the house; ittω howki ωfv, in a hollow tree.

3. When prepositions are joined to the participial form of the verb, they are also declined like nouns; as,

^{*} Philosophically speaking, these prepositions are used as nouns, or else as adjectives, the in-side, out-side, top-side, under-side, etc.

First form. Nom. Obj. Eterepote, cterepotet, eterepoten, going through. etehwyvnet, etehwyvnen, going by. etehwyvne. cheve. cheyet, cheyen, going in. wsse. wsset. wssen, going out.

4. There are various and convenient ways of prefixing prepositions to Creek verbs so as to vary the meaning of the principle verbs, and to make them express much in little.

Examples .- Litkvs, run; oklitkvs, run down or into; islitkvs, run with it; whilitkvs, run on or to a thing; inlitkys run from a person or thing; Sin litkvs, run with it, from another person or thing; as if a man had a ball, and I were to say to another standing by, Sinlitkys! I would, by that, command him to take the ball from the man and run with it.

RULE.—Prepositions in composition with verbs require the objective case expressed or understood; as,

"Pωννfikchy hωlwakatit Chutvsin ωhcheyvtes," "The devil entered into Judas."

"Chehwfvn whakvsvmvkis," "Believe in God." "Chvrkin whavepiiyet wmiky," "Because I go to my father."*

Note .- It will be seen from the above examples that the objective case immediately precedes the preposition.

OF INTERJECTIONS.

Interjections are words which express sudden

passion or emotion; as, Aeha! alas! etc.

As Creeks are not very impulsive, they use but few interjections, and these are generally unimportant and indeclinable words.

^{*} In my rules I prefer calling these prepositional verbs.

LIST OF INTERJECTIONS.

Achá! alas! Ket! used to draw attention, but chiefly as the first sign of an interrogation; as, Ket! chechepokketé? What! are you mad? Helah! What a pity! Keh! is used when one is a little scared or surprised, as when a snake is discovered near by. Tah! is used in a scolding way, as when any thing does not please the speaker. Oih! or iich! is frequently used when one makes a mistake, or just thinks of something that had been forgotten. Nahenwy! spoken in a slow reflecting tone, is equivalent to Let me see, or, Let me study. Hoh! denotes assent to a speech, and implies that you both hear and approve what is said. Mihinwy! is an exclamation equivalent to That's the truth!

OF CONJUNCTIONS.

Creek Conjunctions are indeclinable words, that are used to connect sentences. They do not connect words, as in English, because it is contrary to the idiom of the language. When we say in English "James and John will come," and is a copulative conjunction connecting James with John; but the Creeks would say, "Chimi, Chani iittipyket, alahokyres." In this sentence there is only a comma, where we use and; and ittipvket (meaning both the persons mentioned, as it is dual in form,) is nominative to alahokvres, will come, which is also dual. In the sentence "Peter, James, and John will come:" the Creeks would say, "Petv, Chimi, Chani tohkvlket yiichvres." In this sentence tωhkvlket refers to the persons named as a pronoun in the plural number and is nominative to the plural verb viichvres. The singular form of the verb is alvkyres; as, "Chanit

alvkvres," "John will come." The word omati, corresponding to the if in English, is joined to the verb in the subjunctive mood; as, kiichinomati, if I say.

"Rimohyupv Chesvs techokkakat, ichkin, imistvlkin, tohkvlkit Kapvnyvn tvlofvn okhvtvpechvtes; momiis nitta vnvchome apokekates." In the above sentence momiis is a conjunction connecting the two parts of the sentence, and it is the only one that occurs; while the English employs four in the translation. "After this Jesus went down to Capernaum, he, and his mother, and his brethren, and his disciples; and they continued there not many days."

The principal conjunctions in Creek are-

Momit, and, molimit, and afterward, momin, and afterward, momof, and after then, omiky, because, for, etc.,

These words are varied in the final letters t and n, only for the sake of euphony.

momet omiky, and because, and for that reason.
momiis, but (expressing opposition of meaning).
monkat, but if not, " " "
mome momiis, but notwithstanding, though, yet, etc.

OF VERBS

A Verb is a word that expresses action or being; as, iiyiis, I am going; toyiis, I am. To verbs belong

number, person, mood, and tense.

As Creek transitive* verbs have to agree with their objective, as well as with their nominative cases, they are varied *five* ways, on account of number, which I shall call first and second singular, dual, and first and second plural.

^{*} A verb is transitive when the action terminates on an object.

A verb is in the first singular when its nominative and objective cases are both singular; as, Vm islafkvn ishelichiis, I have found my knife.

A verb is in the second singular when its nominative is singular, and its objective plural; as, Wak'atωtkylki ishelichiis. I have found the steers.

A verb is in the *dual* when its nominative is dual, or implies two persons or things; as, Wak'atωlkvlki sehωkiis, The (two) oxen were standing.

A verb is in the first plural when the nominative is plural and the objective singular; as, Pen sylvíkin

wanaliyes, We tied our prisoner.

And a verb is in the second plural when its nominative and objective cases are both plural; as, Pen sylvkin wanawiiliches, We tied our prisoners.

When the nominative case denotes the person speaking, the verb is in the first person; as, twyiis, I am. When the person spoken to is nominative, the verb is then in the second person; as, twyichkis or twyit, thou art; but when the person or thing spoken of is nominative, the verb is in the third person; as, twmis, he, she, or it is. Then, verbs have three persons, called first, second, and third.

As a general rule, ii is the sign of the first person,

ich of the second, and i of the third.

As first person, atωtkiin, I work; second person, atωtkichkin, thou workest; third person, atωtkin, he or she works. Makiis, I say; makichkis, you say;

makis, he says.

The following rule, I believe, is universal throughout the language, viz., the first person has the vowel long; the second person changes ii, a, or e into i or a short and adds ch; and the third person changes ii or e long into i or v short, before the signs of the tenses; as, litkāres, I will run; litkichkvres, you will run; litkvres, he, she, or it will run.

OF MOODS AND TENSES OF VERBS.

The Mood of a verb denotes the manner in which its action or being is represented. The Indicative mood declares or denies a thing; as, Iiyvraniis, I will go; Iiyvranakes, I will not go; or, it asks a question; as, Ayechka? Are you going?

The Subjunctive mood expresses action or being in a doubtful or conditional manner; or, when a verb is followed by a termination that expresses a condition, doubt, motive, wish, or supposition, it is in the subjunctive mood; as, Irkvnakiin ωmati, If I preach; Atetkiiyvtin ωmati, If I had labored; Yvhiikvraniin ωmati, If I am going to sing, etc.

The Imperative mood is used for commanding, inviting, or permitting; and, as a command may be given harshly as to a servant, or respectfully as to an equal, the Creeks have two forms of the imperative; as,

Sing. liikvs,* sit down; liikepvs, take a seat Dual. kakvkis, " kakepvkis, " lf you Plur. apωkvkis, " apωkepvkis, " lelease.

The Potential mood implies power, necessity, or obligation; as, Chetepkiiyes, I can whip you; Nochvrvniiyat tvlkis, I must sleep; Makvkvntomatin omiis, I ought to have said, etc.

The Infinitive mood expresses an action in a general manner, without reference to person, number,

^{*} Scha! terminates every command in Creek; and, indeed, almost every sentence in conversation. It is seldom used in the pulpit. I think it is a conversational period, or pause; but about this there are various opinions.

or case; as, Ayetv, To go; or, it asks permission:

as, Ahyvris, Let me go, etc.*

A Participle in Creek, like the present participle in English, is a form of a verb that expresses what is now taking place, but not finished; and, unlike ours, it is varied on account of number and person; as, kilchiin, kilchichkiin, kilchin, I saying to him or her, you saying, he or she saying, etc. (See the conjugation of verbs for further information.)

TENSE means time; and the variations of the verb which indicate the time of the action are usually denominated its tenses; but, as the Creek verb can indicate by its inflections that the action was performed at a given time, according to the personal knowledge of the speaker, or according to information received, and not with personal knowledge, or that an action has been performed from time to time, or habitually, I shall call all these its tenses.

According to this definition, Creek verbs have ten tenses; the present, first past, second past, third past, and fourth past; which imply that the speaker has personal knowledge of the facts. The historical past tense, which is found only in the indicative mood; the frequentative, and the first, second, and third future

tenses.

The Present tense represents an action that is going on at the time it is mentioned; as, Kiichiis, I

say to him or her.

The First Past represents an action that occurred only a moment previous, or any previous time of the day in which it is mentioned; and is formed by insert-

^{*} In English to is the sign of the infinitive, and the only mark by which it can be distinguished from many nouns; in Creek there is a still closer resemblance between the noun and infinitive; as, atotkitv, labor, a noun; and atotkitv, to labor, infinitive; taskitv, a leap; and taskitv, to jump, etc.

ing a rough breathing or accent on the syllable preceding the final one; as, present, Kiichiis, first past, Kiikhiis, I said to him.

The Second Past represents an action or event that transpired at any time before the day on which it was mentioned, and the previous week or two; and has vñkis for its sign; as, Kiichiiyvñkis, I said to him.

The Third Past represents an action or event that occurred more than a week or two before the time in which it was mentioned, yet not so far back as to make it equivalent to the time indicated by the English adverb long ago; and has mvtvs for its sign; as, Kiichiimvtvs, I said to him, or had said to him.

The Fourth Past represents an action or event that occurred long ago, but only as far back as the speaker's memory can reach; for this, as well as the previous tenses, imply that the speaker has some personal recollection or knowledge of whatever is implied in the verb; it has *vntvs* for its sign; as, Kiichiivvntvs, I said to him or her long ago.

The Historic tense represents actions or events of which the person relating them has no personal knowledge or consciousness, but is dependent upon the history, or testimony of others; it has vtes for its sign, and is confined to the indicative mood; as,

1st person, 1st singular, kiichiiyvtes, I said to him.
2d " kiichichkvtes, you said to him.
3d " kiichvtes, he said to him.

In the use of this tense, if the testimony is not expressed, it must be plainly implied from the connection or context; such as mahokvntis, They say that I or you said thus and so, though I or you may have forgotten it. In a book or translation, the third persons only are used, and then the document is represented as speaking by the authority of the writer or author; as, "Chesvsit Chusvlkin Kiicha-

kvtes," "Jesus said to the Jews," i.e., Chanit [or some one of the evangelists] chwyvtes, being understood; and hence the statement of that fact is made to rest upon the testimony of the evangelist.

The Frequentative tense has reference to an action that takes place *frequently*, habitually, or from time to time, and has *vnton* for its sign; as, Kyllepynten, He frequently broke off a piece; Vnitvnten, I am habitually, or from time to time (annoyed, or whatever else may be expressed); Kiichynten, He had frequently said to him, etc.

Ran, preceding the sign of the person, is the sign of the first future; as, Kiichvraniis, I will say to him.

Res is the sign of the second future; as, Kiichares,

I will say to him at some future time.

Tares is the sign of the third future; as, Kiiche-

piiyvte tares, I will have said to him, etc.

Nomati is the sign of the Subjunctive Present; tinomati of the past; wiitiyes, or wiites, of the first future; ran before the sign of the person, and wiitiyes or wiites added, is the sign of the second future; and the third future is formed by prefixing ran to the sign of the person, and adding omati.

The Imperative has two forms of the present tense: the mild and the harsh, as may be seen in the conjugations of the verbs; it is also varied on account of the objective case. The singular ends in vs, and the plural in kis. Unlike any other language that I know, the Creek verb has an imperative future tense; as, present, eyaketechvs; future, eyaketechvtchvs; (in the future) be careful, or examine yourself.

The Potential mood has only the Past, Present, and Future; es is the sign of the present, ran before the sign of the person, and tulkis is the sign of the

future.

The Past tense has omiis for the first person, omichkis for the second, and omis for the third.

CONJUGATION OF VERBS.

The Conjugation of a verb is the regular formation and arrangement of its several tenses, numbers, and persons.

Creek verbs have but one conjugation.

Conjugation of the regular transitive verb Issety, To take.

ACTIVE VOICE-INDICATIVE MOOD-PRESENT TENSE.

First singular.
1 Esiis, I take it.
2 esichkis, thou takest it.

3 esis, he takes it.

First plural.

1 eses, we take it. 2 esachkis, ye take it. 3 esakis, they take it. Second singular.

1 chawiis, I take them.

2 chawichkis then etc.

2 chawichkis, thou, etc. 3 chawis, he takes them.

Second plural.

1 chawes, we take them.

2 chawachkis, ye, etc.

3 chawakis, they, etc.

Imperfect, or first past time.

First singular.
1 issiis, I took it.
2 issichkis, you took it.

3 issis, he took it.

First plural.

1 isses, we took it.
2 issachkis, ye took it.
3 issahkis, they took it.

Second singular.

1 chaliwiis, I took them.

2 chaliwichkis, ye, etc.

3 chaliwis, he took them.

Second plural.

1 chaliwes, we took them. 2 chaliwachkis, ye, etc. 3 chawalikis, they, etc.

Perfect, or second past time.

First singular.

esiiyvñkis, I have taken it.
 esichkvñkis, thou hast taken it.

3 Esvñkis, he has taken it.

Second singular.

1 chawiiyvñkis, I have

taken them.
2 chawichkvňkis, you
have taken them.

3 chawvnkis, he has taken them.

Second plural.

First plural.

1 eseyvñkis, we have tak- | 1 chaweyvñkis, we have en it. taken them. 2 esakachkvňkis, ye have 2 chawachkvňkis, ye have taken it. taken them. 3 esakvñkis, they have 3 chawakvnkis, they have taken it. taken them. FIRST SINGULAR. Pluperfect or third past time. 1 Esiimvtvs, I had taken it. 2 Esichkemytvs, You had taken. 3 Esimvtvs, He had taken. Fourth past time. 1 Esiiyvntvs, I took. 2 Esichkvntvs, You took. Long ago. 3 Esvntvs, He took. First future. 1 Issvrániis, I will take. Very soon, 2 Issvránichkis, You will take. or imme-3 Issvránis, He will take. diately. Second future. 1 Issáres, I will take. 2 Issichkvres, You will take. future 3 Esvres, He will take. Third future. 1 Issepiiyvte táres, I will have taken. Before 2 Issepichkvte táres, You will have taken. some future time 3 Issippyte tares, He will have taken. mention'd. Subjunctive mood present, or elliptical future time. 1 Esiin comati. If I take. 2 Esichkin omati, If thou takest: 3 Esin omati, If he take.

Subjunctive past time.

1 Esiiyvtin ωmati, If I had taken.

2 Esichkytin omati, If thou hadst taken.

3 Esvtin ωmati, If he had taken.

First form of the subjunctive future.

1 Esiwiitiiyes, I may take. But it is Thou mayest take. doubtful.

3 Esiwiites, He may take.

Second form of the subjunctive future.

1 Isvrane wiitiiyes, Probably I will take. At a 2 Issvranichke wiites, Probably you will take. At a

3 Issyrane wiites, Probably he will take. | time.

Third form of the subjunctive future.

1 Issvraniin omati, If I am going to take.

2 Issvranich kin wmati, If you are going to take.

3 Issvranin ωmati, If he is going to take.

Fourth form of the subjunctive future.

1 Issepiivvte towiitvres, If I shall have taken.

2 Issepichkyte towiityres, If thou shalt have taken.

3 Issippyte towiityres, If he shall have taken.

Imperative Mood.

1 Issvs, Take thou, or, do thou take.
[Harshly spoken.]

2 Issipus, Take.
[Spoken in a mild way.]

Potential mood, present time.

1 Esiiyes, I can take.

2 Esichkes, Thou canst take.

3 Eses, He can take.

Future time.

1 Issvraniiyat tylkis, 2 Issvranichkat tylkis, 3 Issvranat tylkis, 4 Imust take. You must take. He must take. Phatic

Past time.

- 1 Esykyntomatin omiis, I ought to have taken. 2 Esykyntomatin omich You ought to have taken. kis.
- 3 Esvkvntomatin omis, He ought to have taken.

Infinitive mood.

Issitv, To take.
2 Issvris, Let me take.

Participles.

1 Esiin, 2 Esichkin, 3 Esin, I taking. You taking. He taking.

SECOND SINGULAR .- I had taken them.

Third past time.

- 1 Chawii mytys, 2 Chawichke mytys, Thou hadst taken.
- 3 Chawi mytys, He had taken.

Fourth past time.

1 Chawiiyvntvs, 2 Chawichkvntvs, 3 Chawvntvs, 4 I took. Thou didst take.

First future.

1 Chawvraniis, 2 Chawvranichkis, 3 Chawvranis, I will take. Thou wilt take. Wery soon.

Second future.

1 Chawáres,
2 Chawichkvres,
3 Chawvres,
He will take.

At some future
time.

Third future.

1 Chawepiiyvte táres, 2 Chawepichkvte táres, 3 Chawepvte táres, He will have taken.

Subjunctive present.

- 1 Chawiin omati. If I take.
- 2 Chawichkin omati. If thou takest.
- 3 Chawin omati. If he take.

Subjunctive past.

- 1 Chawiiyvtin omati, If I had taken.
- 2 Chawichkytin omati. If thou hadst taken. 3 Chawytin omati, If he had taken.

First form of the subjunctive future.

- 1 Chawe wiitiiyes, I may take. But it
- 2 Chawichke wiites, Thou mayest take. is rather 3 Chawe wiites. He may take. doubtful.

Second form of the subjunctive future.

- 1 Chawvrane wiitiiyes, Probably I will take
- 2 Chawvranichke wiites, Probably thou wilt future take time.
- 3 Chawvrane wiites, Probably he will take

Third form of the subjunctive future.

- 1 Chawvraniin omati. If I (am going to) take.
- 2 Chawvranichkin omati, If you (are going to take). 3 Chawvranin omati, If he (is going to take).

Fourth form of the subjunctive future.

- 1 Chawepiivvte towiitvres. If I shall have taken.
- 2 Chawepichkyte towiityres, If thou shalt have taken
- 3 Chawepyte towiityres, If he shall have taken.

Imperative present.

- 2 Chawépvs.
- Do thou take (mildly). 2 Chawvs, Take (Harshly).

Imperative future.

Chawvkvtchvs, Take in the future.

Potential present.

- 1 Chawiives.
- 2 Chawichkes, 3 Chawes.
- I can take. Thou canst take.
- He can take.

Potential future.

- 1 Chawvraniivat tvlkis, I must take.
- 2 Chawvranichkat tvlkis, You must take. 3 Chawvranat tvlkis, He must take.

Potential past.

- 1 Chawykyntomatin omiis, I ought to have taken.
- 2 Chawykyntomatin omichkis, You ought to have taken.
- 3 Chawvkvntomatit omis, He ought to have taken.

Infinitive mood.

- Chawity,
- 2 Chahwvris.
- 2 Chahwikvs.

- To take.
- Let me take. Let him take.

Participles.

- 1 Chawiin.
- 2 Chawichkin.
- 3 Chawin.

- I taking.
- You taking. He taking.

CONJUGATION OF THE FIRST PLURAL BEGINNING AT

Third past time.

- 1 Esemvtvs.
- 2 Esachkemytus,
- 3 Issakemytvs,
- We had taken it.
- Ye had taken. They had taken.

Fourth past.

- 1 Issakeyvntvs, We took.
- 2 Issakachkvntvs, Ye took.
- They took.
- Long ago.

3 Issakvntvs.

First future.

1 Issvranes, We will take. 2 Issvranachkis, Ye will take. 3 Issvkvranis, They will take.

Second future.

1 Isseyvres,
2 Issachkvres,
3 Issvkvres,
We will take.
Ye will take.
They will take.
time.

Third future.

1 Issipeyvte tares, 2 Issipachkvte tares, 3 Issvkepvte tares, 2 We will have taken. Ye will have taken. They will have taken.

Subjunctive present.

1 Esenωmati,
2 Esachkin ωmati,
3 Esakin ωmati,
If we take.
If ye take.
If they take.

Subjunctive past.

Esakeyvtin ωmati,
 Esakachkvtin ωmati,
 Esakvtin ωmati,
 If we had taken.
 If they had taken.

First form of the subjunctive future.

1 Issiwiiteyes,
2 Issachkiwiites,
3 Issahkewiites,
2 We may take.
Ye may take.
They may take.
They may take.

Second form of the subjunctive future.

1 Issvraneye wiites, 2 Issvranachke wiites, 3 Issvkvrane wiites, They may take. They may take. They may take.

Third form of the subjunctive future.

Issvranen ωmati,
 Issvranachkin ωmati,
 Issvkvranin ωmati,
 If we (are going to) take.
 If they (are going to) take.

88 Fourth form of the subjunctive future. 1 Issipeyvte tωwiitvres. If we shall have taken. 2 Issepachkyte towiityres, If ye shall have taken, 3 Issepvkvte towiitvres, If they shall have taken. Imperative present. Issvkis. Take ye (harshly). Issvkipvkis, Take ye (mildly). Imperative future. Issykytchys, and Issykipykytchys, Take ye (in the future). Potential present. 1 Eseyes, We can take. 2 Esachkes. Ye can take. 3 Esakes, They can take. Potential future. 1 Issvraneyat tvlkis, We must take. 2 Issvranachkat tvlkis, Ye must take. Very 3 Issykvranat tvlkis, emphatic. They must take. Potential past. 1 Esvkvntomatin omes, We ought to have taken. 2 Esvkvntomatin omachkis, Ye ought to have taken. 3 Esakvkvntomatin omakis, They ought to have taken. Infinitive mood. Esvkity, To take. Participles. 1 Esen.

We taking. 2 Esachkin, Ye taking. 3 Esakin, They taking.

CONJUGATION OF THE SECOND PLURAL. Third past.

1 Chawe mytvs. We had taken. 2 Chawachke mytvs, Ye had taken. 3 Chawake mytys, They had taken.

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2	Chaweyvntvs, Chawachkvntvs, Chawakvntvs,	Fourth po We too Ye tool They to	k.	Long ago.
2	Chawvranes, Chawvranáchkis, Chawvkvranis,	First futu We will Ye will They w	l take.	Presently.
2	Chaweyvres, Chawachkvres, Chawvkvres,	We will Ye will They w	Il take.	In future.
1 2 3	Chawepeyvte táres Chawepachkvte tá Chawvkepvte táres	Third fut , res, s,	We will Ye will I	have taken. have taken. I have taken.
	Subjunctive present.			
1 2 3	Chawen omati, Chawachkin omat Chawakin omati,	i, •	If we tak If ye tak If they ta	ce. ce. ake.
Subjunctive past.				
1 2 3	Chaweyvtin ωmati Chawachkvtin ωmati Chawakvtin ωmati	, ati.	If we had	l taken. taken. ad taken.
First form of the subjunctive future.				
1 2 3	Chawe wiiteyes, Chawachke wiites, Chawake wiites,	We ma	y take.	But rather doubtful.
1	Second form of the subjunctive future.			

1 Chawvrane wiiteyes, Probably we may take. 2 Chawvranachke wiites, Probably ye may take. 3 Chawvkvrane wiites, Probably they may take. 3

Third form of the subjunctive future.

1 Chawyranen omati, If we are going to take.

2 Chawvranachkin ωmati, If ye are going to take.
3 Chawvkvranin ωmati, If they are going to take.

Fourth form of the subjunctive future.

1 Chawepeyvte tωwiitv- If we shall have taken.

2 Chawepachkvte tωwiit- If ye shall have taken.

vres,

3 Chawakepvte towiitv- If they shall have taken.

Imperative present.

2 Chawvkepvkis, Take ye (mildly).
2 Chawvkvkis, Take (harshly).

Imperative future.

2 Chawvkvkvt chvs, Take ye (in the future).

Potential present.

1 Chaweyes, 2 Chawachkes, We can take. Ye can take.

3 Chawakes, They can take.

Potential future.

1 Chawvkvraneyat tvlkis, We must take.

2 Chawykyranachkat tvlkis, Ye must take.

3 Chawvkvranat tvlkis, They must take.

Potential past.

1 Chawvkvntωmatin We ought to have taken. ωmes,

2 Chawachkvntωmatit Ye ought to have taken. ωmachkis,

3 Chawakvntomatit They ought to have taken. omakis,

Infinitive.

Chawvketv, To take.

Participles.

1 Chawen, 2 Chawachkin.

3 Chawin,

We taking. Ye taking.

They taking.

INDICATIVE MOOD-HISTORIC TENSE.*

First singular.

1 Esiivvtes,

2 Esichkytes, 3 Esytes.

I took it.

You took it. He took it.

Second singular.

1 Chawiivvtes, 2 Chawichkytes,

3 Chawvtes,

3 Issakvtes.

I took them.

You took them. He took them.

First plural.

1 Issakeyvtes, We took it. 2 Issakachkytes, Ye took it. They took it.

Second plural.

1 Chawakeyvtes, 2 Chawakachkvtes,

We took them. Ye took them. They took them.

3 Chawakytes.

INDICATIVE MOOD-FREQUENTATIVE TENSE. † First singular.

1 Issiivvntet. 2 Issichkyntet, 3 Issyntet.

I took it. From You took it. time to He took it.

† This tense should follow immediately after the Historic, in the conjugation of Creek verbs.

I had not learned this tense until I had conjugated all the other parts of the verb, and it was too late to insert it in its proper place ; it should immediately follow the fourth past time, which has vntvs for its sign. (See remarks on the tenses.)

First plural.

Second plural.

I took them. | From

You took them. \ time to

He took them. | time.

We took it. | From

Ye took it. time to

to

They took it. I time.

Chawiiyvntet,

2 Chawichkvntet,

3 Chawvntet,

1 Isseyvntet,

3 Issvkvntet,

2 Issachkvntet,

2	Chawvkeyvntet Chawvkachkvn Chawvkvntet,	We took them. Ye took them. They took them. They took them.
	PASS	IVE VOICE—SINGULAR.
		Present time.
2	Chvshwyes, Chishwyes, Ishwyes,	I am taken. Thou art taken. He, she, or it is taken.
		First past.
1 2 3	Chishohyis,	I was taken. Thou wast taken. He, she, or it was taken.
2	Chvshwyvňkis, Chishwyvňkis, Ishwyvňkis,	Second past. I have been taken. Thou hast been taken. He, she, or it has been taken.
2	Chvshøye mvtvs, Chishøye mvtvs, Ishøye mvtvs,	Third past.
2	Unish wyvntvs,	Fourth past. I was taken. Thou wast taken. He, she, or it was taken. Long ago.

First future time.
1 Chyshoyvranis, I will be taken.
2 Chishovyranis. Thou wilt be taken.
3 Ishwyvranis, He, she, or it will be taken. Soon
Second future.
1 Chushωyvres, I will be taken.) At some
2 Chishwyvres, Thou wilt be taken.
3 Ishwyvres, He, she, or it will be taken. time.
Third future tense.
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2 Chyshovyte tares. Thou wilt have been taken
2 Chvshωyvte tares, Thou wilt have been taken. 3 Ishωyvte tares, He, she, or it will have gg.
2 Chvshωyvte tares, Thou wilt have been taken. 3 Ishωyvte tares, He, she, or it will have been taken. been taken.
Subjunctive present
1 Chvshoyin omati, If I am taken. 2 Chishoyin omati, If thou art taken, If he, she, or it is taken.
2 Chishovin omati. If thou art taken
3 Ishwyin omati, If he, she, or it is taken.
Subjunctive past.
1 Chvshoyvtin omati, If I had been taken.
2 Chishwyvtin omati, If thou hadst been taken.
3 Ishwyvtin omati, If he, she, or it had been
taken.
First form of the subjunctive future.
1 Chyshoye wiites, I may be taken.
" Chishave wiited They manage be to be -
3 Ishoye wiites, He, she, or it may be taken.
Second subjunctive future.
1 Chyshoyurane wiites, Probably I will be taken 3
2 Chishoyvrane wiites, Probably you will be taken
2 Chishoyvrane wiites, Probably you will be taken 3 Ishoyvrane wiites, Probably he will be taken.
Third form of the subjunctive future.
1 Chyshovyranin omati. If I am going to be taken
2 Chishoyvranin omati, If thou art going to be
tokon
3 Ishwyvranin wmati, If he is going to be taken.
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Fourth form of the subjunctive future.

- Chvshωyvte tωwiitvres, If I shall have been taken.
 Chishωyvte tωwiitvres, If thou shalt have been taken.
- 3 Ishωyvte, tωwiitvres, . If he, she, or it shall have been taken.

Potential present.

- 1 Chvshωyes, I can be taken.
- 2 Chishωyes,
 3 Ishωyes,
 Thou canst be taken.
 He, she, or it can be taken.

Potential future.

- 1 Chvshoyvranat tvlkis, I must be taken.
- 2 Chishωyvranat tvlkis, You must be taken.
 3 Ishωyvranat tvlkis, He, she, or it, etc.

Potential past.

- 1 Chasvkvntomatin ωmhωyis, I ought to have been taken.
- 2 Chesvkvntomatin omhoyis, Thou oughtest, etc.

3 Esvkvntomatin omhoyis, He, she, or it, etc.

Infinitive.

2 Chvshωyekvs Let me be taken.

Participles.

- 1 Chvshωyin, I being taken.
- 2 Chishωyin,
 3 Ishωyin.
 You being taken.
 He being taken.

PLURAL.

- 1 Pωchowhωyes, We are taken.
- 2 Chechowhωyvkes,
 3 Chowhωyes.
 Ye are taken.
 They are taken.
- They are taken.

 1 Pωchow wokhωhyis. We were taken.
- Pochow wokhωhyis, We were taken. Ye were taken.
- 3 Chowwokhωhyis, They were taken.

2	Pωchowhωyvňkis, Chechowhωyvkvňkis, Chowwokhωyvňkis,	We have been taken. Ye have been taken. They have been taken
2	Pωchowhωye mvtvs, Chechowhωyvk mvtvs, Chowwokhωye mvtvs,	We had been taken. Ye had been taken. They had been taken.
2	Pωchowhωyvntvs, Chechowhωyvkvntvs, Chowwokhωyvntvs,	We were taken. Ye were taken. They were taken.
2	Pωchowhωyvranis, Chechowhωyvkvranis, Chowwokhωyvranis,	We will be taken. Ye will be taken. Soon.
2	Pωchowhωyvres, Chechowhωyvkvres, Chowwokhωyvres,	We will be taken. Ye will be taken. They will be taken. They will be taken.
2	Pωchowhωyvte tares, Chechowhωyvkvte tares, Chowwokhωyvte tares,	We will have been taken. Ye will have been taken. They will have been taken.
2	Pochowhoyin omati, Cchechohoyvkin omat Chowwokhoyin omati,	If we are taken. ii, If ye are taken. If they are taken.
2	Pωchowhωyvtin ωmati, Chechowhωyvkvtin, ωn Chowwokhωyvtin ωmat	nati. If ve had been taken
2	Chechownwyvke writes,	Wamay hatakan)
2	Pωchowhωyvrane wiites	robably we will be taken.

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. 1	L	Pωchowhωyvranin ωmati, If we are going to be taken.
4 4 40	2	Chechowhωyvkvranin ωmati, If ye are going, etc. Chowwokhωyvranin ωmati, If they are going, etc.
	1	Pωchowhωyvte tωwiitvres, If we shall have been taken.
	2	Chechowhωyvkvte tωwiitvres, If ye shall, etc. Chowwokhωyvte tωwiitvres, If they shall, etc.
	2	Pωchowhωyes, Chechowhωyes, Chowwokhωyes, We can be taken. Ye can be taken. They can be taken.
		Pωchowhωhyvranat tvlkis, We must be taken.
40.00	2	Chechowhωhyvranakat tvlkis, Ye, etc. Chowwokhωyvranat tvlkis, They, etc.
		Pωchawvkvntωmatin ωmhωyis, We ought to have been taken.
	2	Chechowykyntomatin omhoyis, Ye ought to, etc. Chawakykyntomatin omhoyis, They ought, etc.
5	2	Pωchowhωyin, We being taken. Ye being taken.
•)	Chowwokhoyin, They being taken.

Conjugation of Letkity, To run. SINGULAR NUMBER.

Indicative mood, present time, singular number.

1 Letkiis, 2 Letkichkis,

I run. Thou runnest.

3 Letkis,

He runs.

Imperfect tense, or first past time.

1 Litiikiis, 2 Litiikichkis,

I ran. You ran.

3 Litiikis,

He ran.

Perfect tense, or second past time.

1 Letkiiyvnkis, 1 Letkiryviikis, You nave ... 2 Letkichkvñkis, He has run. I have run. You have run.

Pluperfect tense, or third past time.

1 Letkimvttvs, 2 Letkichkemvttvs, 3 Letki mvttvs, You had run. 1 Letkiimvttvs. 3 Letki myttys, He had run.

Fourth past time.

1 Letkiiyvntvs, I ran. 2 Letkichkvntvs, You ran. Long ago. 3 Letkvntvs, He ran.

First future tense.

1 Litkvraniis, I will run. 2 Litkvranichkis, 3 Litkvranis, You will run. He will run.

Second future time.

1 Litkares, I will run. At some 2 Litkichkvres, You will run. } future 3 Litkvres, He will run. | time.

Third future time.

1 Litkepiiyvte tares, 2 Litkepichkyte tares, 3 Litkepyte tares, 4 He will have run. 4 He will have run.

Subjunctive mood, present or elliptical future time.

1 Letkiin omati, 2 Letkichkin omati, If I run.
3 Letkin omati, If you run.

First past time.

1 Letkiiyvtin ωmati, 2 Letkichkvtin ωmati, 3 Letkvtin ωmati, 3 If I had run. If you had run. If he had run.

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First form of the subjunctive future.		
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		I may run.
	Letkichke wiites,	You may run. Doubtful.
3	Letkiwiites,	He may run.
	Second form of the s	subjunctive future.
1	Litkvrane wiitiiyes, Pi	robably I will run.) §
2	Litkvranichke, wiites, P.	robably I will run. } robably you will run. } robably he will run. }
	Litkyrane wiites, P.	robably he will run.] =
	Third form of the	subjunctive future.
1	Litkvraniin omati,	
2	Litkvranichkin omati,	If you are going to run.
	Litkvranin omati,	If he is going to run.
	Fourth form of the	
1	Litkepiiyvte towiitvres,	
2	Litkepichkyte towiityre	s. If you will have run.
	Litkepvte towiitvres,	If he will have run.
	Imperation	
1	Litkvs,	Run (thou).
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	Potential mood	
	Letkiiyes,	I can run.
	2 Letkichkes,	You can run.
3	3 Letkes,	He can run.
	Future time.	
1	Litkvraniiyat tvlkis,	I must run.
	2. Litkvranichkat tvlkis,	You must run.

He must run. Past time.

1 Letkvkvntomatit omiis, I ought to have run. You ought to have run. 2 Letkichkvntomatit omichkis,* 3 Letkvntomatit omis,† He ought to have run.

3 Litkvranat tvlkis,

^{*} Or, Letkvntomatit omichkis, You ought to have run. † ωmiis added, second past time; ωmiiyetes, third past time; emilyvntvs, fourth past time.

Infinitive, first form.

Litkity,

To run.

Second form.

Litiikvris.

Let me run.

Present Participle.

1 Letkiin, 2 Letkichkin,

I running. You running.

3 Letkin.

He running.

DUAL.

Indicative mood, present time.

1 Tokorkes 2 Tωkωrkachkis,

We run. You run.

3 Tokorkis,

They run.

Imperfect tense, or first past time,

1 Tωkωrriikes,

We ran.

2 Τωκωrriikachkis, 3 Tokorriikis.

Ye ran. They ran.

Perfect tense, or second past time.

1 Tωkωrkeyvñkis, 2 Tωkωrkachkvňkis,

We have run.

3 Tokorkvňkis,

Ye have run. They have run.

Pluperfect tense, or third past time.

1 Tωkωrkemvttvs,

We had run.

2 Tωkωrkachkemvttvs, 3 Tokorkemyttvs,

Ye had run. They had run.

Fourth past time,

1 Tokorkeyvntvs, 2 Tωkωrkachkvntvs,

Ye ran. We ran.

Long ago.

3 Tokorkvntvs,

They ran.

First future time.

1 Tωkerkvranes, 2 Tωkerkvranachkis, 3 Tωkerkvranis,
We will run. Ye will run. They will run.

Second future time.

1 Tωkerkeyvres,
2 Tωkerkachkvres,
3 Tωkerkvres,
4 We will run.
Ye will run.
They will run.
They will run.

Third future time.

1 Tωkerkepeyvte tares, 2 Tωkerkepachkvte tares, 3 Tωkerkepvte tares, We will have run. Ye will have run. They will have run.

Subjunctive mood, present or elliptical future time.

Τωκωrken ωmati,
 Τωκωrkachkin ωmati,
 Τωκωrkin ωmati,
 If we run.
 If ye run.
 If they run.

First past time.

Τωκωrkeyvtin ωmati,
 Τωκωrkachkvtin ωmati,
 Τωκωrkvtin ωmati,
 Ιf we had run.
 Ιf they had run.

First form of the subjunctive future.

Τωκωrke wiiteyes,
 Τωκωrkachke wiites,
 Τωκωrke wiites,
 Τωκωrke wiites,
 Τhey may run.

Second form of the subjunctive future.

Τωκοrkvrane wiiteyes.
 Τωκοrkvranachke wiites,
 Τωκοrkvrane wiites,
 Τωκοrkvrane wiites,
 Τheywill run. Ye will run. Theywill run. Theyw

Third form of the subjunctive future.

- Tωkerkvranen ωmati, If we are going to run.
 Τωκerkvranachkin ωmati, If ye are going to run.
- 3 Tokorkvranin omati, If they are going to run.

Fourth form of the subjunctive future.

- 1 Tokerkepeyvte towiitvres, If we shall have run.
- 2 Tokerkepachkvte towiitvres, If ye shall have run.
- 3 Tokerkepvte towiitvres, If they shall, etc.

Imperative mood.

Tωkerkvkis!

Run (you two).

Potential mood present time.

- 1 Tokerkeyes,
- We can run.
- 2 Tωkerkachkes,3 Tωkerkes.
- Ye can run. They can run.

Future time.

- 1 Tωkerkvraneyat tvlkis, We must run.
- 2 Tωkerkvranachkat tvlkis, Ye must run.
 3 Tωkerkvranat tvlkis, They must run.

Past time.

[Add ω miis for second, ω miiyetes for third, and ω miiyvntvs for fourth past time.]

- 1 Twkerkeyvntwmatit omes,
- We ought to have run.
- Τωκοrkachkvntωmatit ωmachkis,
 Τωκωrkvntωmatit ωmis,
- Ye ought, etc. They, etc.

First form of the infinitive.

- 1 Tωkerkitv,
- To run. Let us run.
- ² Tωkerriikeris,

Second form of the present participle.

- 2 Tokorkachkin,
- We running. You running.

3 Tokorkin,

They running.

PLURAL.

Indicative mood, present time, plural number.

1 Pefatkes.

- We run.
- 2 Pefatkachkis,3 Pefatkakis,
- Ye run. They run.

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Imperfect tense, or first past time.			
1	Pefatiikes,	We ran.	
	Pefatiikachkis,	Ye ran.	
	Pefatiikis,	They ran.	
	Perfect tense, or	second past time.	
1	Pefatkeyvňkis, Pefatkachkvňkis,	We have run.	
2	Pefatkachkvňkis,	Ye have run.	
3	Hefatkvňkis,	They have run.	
	Pluperfect tense of	or third past time.	
1	Pefatke myttvs,	We had run.	
2	Pefatkachke myttys,	Ye had run.	
3	Pefatki myttys,	They had run.	
	Fourth ;	past time.	
1	Pefatke yvntvs,	We ran.)	
2	Pefatkachkvntvs,	Ye ran. \ Long ago.	
3	Pefatkvntvs,	They ran.)	
	First fu	ture time.	
1	Pefatkvranes,	We will run.) Pres-	
2	Pefatkvranachkis,		
3	Pefatkyranis,	They will run. ently.	
	They will rull.)		
		sture time.	
1	Pefatkeyvres,	We will run. After	
2	Pefatkachkvres,	Ye will run. a	
3	Pefatkvres,	They will run. while.	
4		ture time.	
1	Pefatkepeyvte tares,	We will have run.	
2	Pefatkepachkvte tares,	Ye will have run.	
3	Pefatkepvte tares,	They will have run.	
	Subjunctive mood, present	or elliptical future time.	
1	Pefatken omati,	If we run.	
2	Pefatkachkin omati,	If ye run.	
3	Pefatkin omati,	If they run.	
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INDICATIVE MOOD-HISTORIC TENSE.

Singular.

1 Letkiivvtes.

2 Letkichkytes, 3 Letkytes,*

I ran. You ran. He ran.

Dual.

1 Tωkωrkeyvtes, 2 Tωkωrkachkytes,

3 Tokorkvtes,

We two ran. Ye two ran. They two ran.

Plural.

1 Pefatkeyvtes, 2 Pefatkachytes,

3 Pefatkytes,

We ran. Ye ran. They ran.

FUTURE IMPERATIVES.

Singular.

Litkvtchvs,

Dual.

Tokorkvkvtchvs. Plural.

Pefatkvkvtchvs,

Run at some future time.

INDICATIVE MOOD-FREQUENTATIVE TENSE.

Singular.

1 Litkiiyvntet, 2 Letkickvntet,

3 Letkvntet,

I ran frequently. You ran frequently. He ran frequently.

Dual.

1 Tωkωrkeyvntet, 2 Tokorkachkvntet,

3 Tokorkvntet,

We two ran frequently. Ye two ran frequently.

They two ran frequently.

^{*} Another form of the Historic which occurs in all the numbers of the different verbs is, to add the sign of the fourth past time, as, Letkiiyvte tiis tvntvs, I ran long ago; but this is beyond the personal recollection of the speaker.

Plural.

1 Pefatkeyvntet, 2 Pefatkachkvntet, 3 Pefatkvntet, We two ran frequently. Ye two ran frequently. They two ran frequently.

Subjunctive mood, first past time.

- Pefatkeyvtin ωmati, If we had run.
 Pefatkachkvtin ωmati, If ye had run.
- 3 Pefatkakytin omati, If they had run.

First form of the subjunctive future.

- 1 Pefatke wiiteyes, 2 Pefatkachke wiites, Ye may run.
- 3 Pefatke wiites. They may run.

Second form of the subjunctive future.

1 Pefatkvraneyiis ωmewiites, 2 Pefatkvranachkiis ωmewiites, 3 Pefatkuraniis ωmewiites. We will run. Ye will run. They will run.

Third form of the subjunctive future.

- Pefatkvranen ωmati,
 Pefatkvranachkin ωmati,
 If we are going to run.
- 3 Pefatkvranin omati, If they are going to run.

Fourth form of the subjunctive future.

- 1 Pefatkepeyvte tωwiitvres, If we shall have run.
- 2 Pefatkepachkvte tωwiitvres, If ye shall have run.
 3 Pefatkepvte tωwiitvres, If they shall have run.

Imperative mood.

Pefatkvkis, Run (all).

Potential mood, present time.

- 1 Pefatkeyes, We can run.
- 2 Pefatkachkes, Ye can run. 3 Pefatkes, They can run.

Future time.

- 1 Pefatkvranevat tvlkis, We must run.
- 2 Pefatkvranachkat tvlkis, Ye must run.
- 3 Pefatkvranat tvlkis, They must run.

Past time.

(Add omiis for second; omiiyvtes for third; and omiiyvntys, for fourth past time.)

- 1 Pefatkevvntomatit omes,
- We ought to have
- run. 2 Pefatkachkvntomatit omachkis, Ye should have
- run. 3 Pefatkakvntomatit omakis, They should have run.

Infinitive, first form.

- 1 Pefatkitv. To run.
- 2 Pefatkvkeris, Let us run.
- Infinitive, second form, present participle.
- 1 Pefatken. We running. 2 Pafatkachkin,
- Ye running. 3 Pefatkin, They running.

Conjugation of KHCHETV, To say.

FIRST SINGULAR.

When the Nominative and Objective cases are both singular.

Indicative mood, present time, singular number.

- 1 Kiichiis,
- I say to him or her. 2 Kiichichkis, Thou sayest to him, etc. 3 Kiichis,
- He or she says, etc.

Imperfect or first past time.

- 1 Kiikchiis, I said to him or her. 2 Kiilichichkis,
- Thou saidst to, etc. 3 Kiilichis, He or she said to, etc.

Perfect, or second past time.

1 Kiichiiyvnkis,	I have said to him, etc
2 Kiichichkvňkis,	Thou hast said to, etc.
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3 Kiichvnkis, He or she had said, etc.

Pluperfect, or third past time.

1 Kiichiimvtvs,	I had said.
2 Kiichichkemytys,	Thou hadst said.
3 Kiichemytys	He on she had said

Fourth past time.

1 Kiichiiyvntvs,	I said.	
2 Kiichichkvntvs,	Thou saidst.	ong
3 Kiichvntvs,	He or she said.	igo.

First future time.

1 Kiichvraniis,	I will say.] Immediate-
2 Kiichvranichkis,	Thou, etc. ly, or very
3 Kiichvranis,	He or, etc. soon.

Second future time.

Kiichares,	I will say. At
Kiichichkvres,	Thou wilt say. some future
Kiichvres,	He or she, etc. time.

Third future time.

Kiichepiiyvte tares,	I will have said.
Kiichepichkvte tares,	Thou wilt have said.
Kiichepvte tares,	He or she will, etc.

Subjunctive mood, present or elliptical future time.

Kiichiin omati,	If I say.
Kiichichkin ωmati,	If thou sayest.
Kiichin omati,	If he or she says.

Pust time.

Kiichiyvtin omati,	If I had said.
Kiichichkvtin omati,	If thou hadst said.
Kiichvtin omati,	If he or she had said.

First form of the subjunctive future.

Kiiche wiitiiyes, I may say.) But it is Kiichichke wiites, Thou, etc. doubtful. Kiiche wiites, He, etc.

Second form of the subjunctive future.

Kiichvrane wiiteyes, Probably I may say. Infa-Kiichvranichke wiites, Probably thou, etc. Kiichvrane wiites, Probably he, etc.

Third form of the subjunctive future.

Kiichvraniin omati, If I am going to say. Kiichvranichkin omati, If thou art going to say. Kiichvranin omati, If he or she is, etc.

Fourth form of the subjunctive future.

Kiichepiiyvte towiitvres, If I shall have said. Kiichepichkvte tωwiitvres, If thou wilt have said. Kiichipvte tωwiitvres, If he or she will, etc.

Imperative, first form.

Kiichvs, Say (harshly).

Imperative, second form.

Kiichepvs, Say (mildly).

Potential mood, present time.

Kiichiiyes, I can say. Kiichichkes, Thou canst say. Kiiches, He or she can say.

Future time.

Kiichvraniiyat tvlkis, I must say. Kiichvranichkat tvlkis, Thou must say. Kiichvranat tvlkis, He or she must say.

Past time.

Kiichvkvntomatin omiis, I ought to have said. Kiichvkvntomatin omichkis, Thou oughtest, etc. Kiichvkvntomatin omis, He or she ought, etc

Infinitive, first form.

Kiichetv, Kiikchvris, To say, or tell. Let me say.

Infinitive, second form.

Kiińchekvs,

Let him or her say.

Participles.

Kiichiin, Kiichichkin, Kiichin,

Kiichakiis,

I saying. You saying. He or she saying.

SECOND SINGULAR.

When the Nominative is singular, and the Objective plural.

Kiichakichkis,
Kiichákiis,
Kiichákiis,
Kiichákiehkis,
Kiichákiehkis,
Kiichakiiyvñkis,
Kiichakichkvñkis,
Kiichakiimvtvs,
Kiichakiimvtvs,
Kiichakichkemvtvs,
Kiichakiiyvntvs,

Kiichakiiyvntvs, Kiichakichkvntvs, Kiichakvntvs,

Kiichvkvraniis, Kiichvkvranichkis, Kiichvkvranis,

Kiichvkáres, Kiichvkichkvres, Kiichvkvres, I say to them. Thou sayest to them. He or she says to them.

I said to them. Thou didst say to them. He or she said to them.

I have said to them. Thou hadst said to, etc. He or she has, etc.

I had said to them. Thou hadst said to, etc. He or she had said, etc.

I said to them. Thou saidst, etc. He or she, etc.

I will say, etc. Thou, etc. He or she, etc.

I will say, etc.
Thou wilt say.
He will say.

At a future time.

Kiiichvkepiiyvte tares, Kiichvkepichkvte tares, Kiichvkepvte tares,

Kiichakiin @mati Kiichakichkin omati, Kiichakin ωmati,

Kiichakiiyvtin omati, Kiichakichkvtin wmati, Kiichakytin wmati,

Kiichake wiitiiyes, Kiichakichke wiites, Kiichake wiites,

Kiichvkvrane wiitiiyes, Kiichvkvranichke wiites, Prob. thou, etc. Kiichvkvrane wiites.

Kiichvraniin ωmati, Kiichvkvranichkin omati, If thou art going, etc. Kiichvkyranin omati,

Kiichvkepiiyvte tωwiitvres, If I shall have, etc. Kiichvkepichkvte towiitvres, If thou shalt, etc. Kiichvkipvte tωwiitvres,

Kiichvkvs, Kiichvkepvs.

Kiichakiiyes Kiichakichkes, Kiichakes,

Kiichvkvraniiyat tvlkis, Kiichvkvranichkat tvlkis, You must say to them. Kiichvkvranat tvlkis,

I will have said to them. Thou wilt have, etc. He or she will have, etc.

If I do say to them. If thou dost say to them. If he or she does, etc.

If I had said to them. If thou hadst said, etc. If he said to them.

I may say to them. Thou mayest say, etc. He or she may say, etc.

Probably I, etc.) At a Prob. he. etc.

If I am going to say, etc. If he or she is, etc.

If he or she shall, etc. Say to them (harshly). Say to them (mildly).

I can say to them. Thou canst say to them. He can say to them.

I must say to them. He must say to them.

Kiichakvkvntomatin omiis, I ought to have, etc. Kiichakvkvntomatin omichkis, Thou oughtest, etc. Kiichakvkvntomatin omis, He or she, etc.

Kiichvketv, Kiichalikvris Kiichakekvs Kiichakiin, Kiichakiehkin, Kiichakin,

To say. Let me say. Let him say. I saying to them. You saying to them. He or she saying, etc.

	FIRST PLURAL.			
W		is plural, and the Objectingular.		
2	Kiiches, Kiichachkis, Kiichakis,	We say to him or her. Ye say to him or her. They say to him or her.		
2	Kiihches, Kiihchachkis, Kiichákis,	We said to him or her. Ye said to him or her. They said to him or her.		
2	Kiicheyvñkis, Kiichachkvñkis, Kiichakvñkis,	We have said to him or her Ye have said to him or her They have said, etc.		
2	Kiichemytys, Kiichachkemytys, Kichake mytys,	We had said to him, etc. Ye had said, etc. They had said, etc.		
1 2 3	Kiicheyvntvs, Kiichachkvntvs, Kiichakvntvs,	We said, etc. Ye said, etc. They said, etc. Jago.		
1 2 3	Kiichvranes, Kiichvranachkis,	We will say, etc. Ye will say, etc. They will say, etc.		
2	Kiicheyvres, Kiichachkvres, Kiichvkvres,	We will say, etc. Ye will say, etc. They will say, etc. At som future time.		

1 Kichepeyvte táres, We will have said, etc. 2 Kiichepachkvte táres, Ye will have said, etc. 3 Kiichvkepvte táres. They will have said, etc.

1 Kiichen ωmati, If we say. 2 Kiichachkin ωmati, If ye say. 3 Kiichakin omati, If they say. 1 Kiicheyvtin omati, If we had said. 2 Kiichachkvtin ωmati, If ye had said. 3 Kiichakvtin omati, If they had said. 1 Kiichewiiteyes, We may say. But it is 2 Kiichachke wiites, Ye may say. doubt-3 Kiichake wiites, They may say. ful. 1 Kiichvrane wiiteyes, Probably we may say. 2 Kiichvranachke wiites, Probably ye may say. 3 Kiichvkvrane wiites, Probably they may say. 1 Kiichvranen omati, If we are going to say. 2 Kiichvranachkin ωmati, If ye are going to say. 3 Kiichvkvranin omati, If they are going to say. 1 Kiichepeyvte tωwiitvres, If we shall have said. 2 Kiichepachkvte towiitvres, If ye shall have said. 3 Kiichvkepvte towiitvres, If they shall have said. 2 Kiichvkis. Say ye (harshly). 2 Kiichepykis, Do ye say to him (mildly). 1 Kiicheyes. We can say. 2 Kiichachkes, Ye can say. 3 Kiichakes, They can say. 1 Kiichvraneyat tvlkis, We must say. 2 Kiichvranachkat tvlkis, Ye must say. 3 Kiichvkvranat tvlkis, They must say. 1 Kiichvkvntωmatin ωmes, We ought to have said. 2 Kiichvkvntomatin omachkis, Ye ought to have

They ought to have

said.

3 Kiichvkvntomatin omakis,

1 Kiichvketv,

2 Kiihcheris,

3 Kiihchakekvs,

1 Kiichen,

2 Kiichachkin,3 Kiichakin,

To say.

Let us say to him. Let them say to him.

We saying. Ye saying. They saying.

SECOND PLURAL.

When the Nominative and Objective are both plural.

Kiichakes, Kiichakachkis, Kiichykakis,

Kiichalikes, Kiichalikachkis,

Kiichvkalikis, Kiichakeyvõkis, Kiichakachkvõkis,

Kiichakemvtvs, Kiichakemvtvs, Kiichakachkemvtvs, Kiichykakemvtvs,

Kiichakeyvntvs, Kiichakachkvntvs, Kiichvkakvntvs,

Kiichvkvranes, Kiichvkvkvranachkis, Kiichvkvkvranis,

Kiichvkvkeyvres, Kiichvkvkáchkvres, Kiichvkvkvres, We say to them. Ye say to them. They say to them.

We said to them. Ye said to them. They said to them.

We have said to them. Ye have said to them. They have said to them.

We had said to them. Ye had said to them. They had said to them.

We said, etc.
Ye said, etc.
They said, etc.

We will say, etc.
Ye will say, etc.
They will say, etc.

We will say, etc.
Ye will say, etc.
They will say, etc.

Kiichvkvkepeyvte tares, We will have said, etc. Kiichvkvkepachkvte tares, Ye will have said, etc. Kiichvkvkepvte tares, They will have, etc. Kiichaken ωmati, If we do say to them. Kiichakachkin ωmati, If ye do say to them. Kiichvkakin ωmati, If they say to them.

Kiichakeyvtin ωmati, If we had said to them. Kiichakachkvtin ωmati, If ye had said to them. Kiichvkakvtin ωmati, If they had said to them.

Kiichakeye wiites, Kiichakachke wiites, Kiichvkake wiites,
We may say to them. Ye may say to them. They may say to them.

Kiichvkvrani wiiteyes, Prob. we may, etc. Kiichvkvranachke wiites, Prob. ye may, etc. Kiichvkvkvrane wiites, Prob. they, etc.

Kiichvkvranen ωmati, If we are going to say to them.

Kiichvkvranachkin wmati, If ye are going, etc. Kiichvkvkvranin wmati, If they are going, etc.

Kiichykykensekkyte towiityres, If we shall have said to them.

Kiichvkvkepachkvte towiitvres, If ye shall, etc. Kiichvkvkepvte towiitvres, If they shall, etc.

Kiichvkvkis, Say to them (harshly). Say to them (mildly).

Kiichakeyes,
Kiichakachkes,
Kiichvkakes,
We can say to them.
Ye can say to them.
They can say to them.

Kiichvkvkvraneyat tvlkis, Kiichvkvkvranachkat tvlkis, Kiichvkvkvranat tvlkis, We must say, etc. Ye must say, etc. They must, etc.

Kiichvkakvkvntωmatin ωmakes, We ought to have said to them, etc.

Kiichvkakvkvntomatin omákachkis, Ye ought, etc. Kiichvkakvkvntomatin omákis, They, etc. Kiichaket, To say.
Kiichaken, We saying to them.
Kiichaken, We saying to them.

Kiichakachkin, Kiichvkakin,
We saying to them. Ye saying to them. They saying to them.

INDICATIVE MOOD-HISTORIC TENSE.

First singular.

1 Kiichiiyvtes, 2 Kiichichkvtes, 3 Kiichvtes, I said to him. You said to him. He said to him.

Second singular.

1 Kiichakiiyvtes, 2 Kiichakichkvtes, 3 Kiichakvtes, I said to them. You said to them. He said to them.

First plural.

1 Kiichvkeyvtes, 2 Kiichvkachkvtes, 3 Kiichvkvtes, We said to him. Ye said to him. They said to him.

Second plural.

1 Kiichvkvkeyvtes, 2 Kiichvkachkvtes, 3 Kiichvkvkvtes, We said to them. Ye said to them. They said to them.

Imperative future.

Kiichvtchvs,
Kiichvkvtchvs,
Kiichvkvtchvs,
You say to him.
You say to them.
Ye say to them, or, say
ye to them.

FREQUENTATIVE TENSE.

Singular.

Chakiichvntet,
Chekiichvntet,
Kiichvntet,
He said to me.
He said to you.
He said to him.

Chakiichvkvntet, Chekiichvkvntet, Kiichvkvntet,

Kiicheyvntot, Kiichachkvntet, Kiichvkvntet,

Kiichvkeyvntet, Kiichvkachkvntet, Kiichvkvkvntet,

They said to me. They said to you. They said to him.

We said to him. Ye said to him. They said to him.

We said to them. Ye said to them. They said to them. From time to time.

FIRST SINGULAR.

When the Nominative and Objective cases are both singular, with the negative form.

Kiichakes. Kiichichkekes, Kiichekes,

Kiichvkiisis. Kiichichkekiisis, Kiichekiisis,

Kiichakvňkis, Kiichichkekvnkis, Kiichekvnkis,

Kiichako mvtvs, Kiichichkeko mytys, Kiichekomvtvs,

Kiichakvntvs, Kiichichkekvntvs. Kiichekvntvs,

Kiichvranakes, Kiichvranekes, I do not say to him or her. Thou dost not, etc. He or she does not, etc.

I did not say, etc. Thou didst not, etc. He or she did not, etc.

I have not said, etc. Thou hast not, etc. He or she has not, etc.

I had not said, etc. Thou hadst not, etc. He or she had not, etc.

I did not say. Thou didst not say. He or she did not say.

I will not say. Kiichvranichkekes, Thou wilt not say. He or she will not say.

Kiichvkáres, I will not say. Kiichichkekáres, At some Thou wilt not say. Kiichekáres, future He or she will not say.

Kiichvkon wmati, Kiichichkeken omati, Kiicheken omati,

If I do not say. If thou dost not say. If he or she does not say.

Kiichvkatin omati, Kiichichkekatin omati, Kiichekatin omati,

If I had not said. If thou hadst not said. If he or she had not said.

Kiichakω wiites, Kiichichkeko wiites, Kiichekω wiites,

I may not say. But Thou mayest, etc. He or she may, etc.

Kiichvranakω wiites. Kiichvranichkekω wiites. Kiichvraneko wiites,

Probably I may not say. Probably thou mayest not Probably he or she may

not say.

Kiiehvranikon omati, Kiichvranichkeken omati. Kiichvraneken omati,

If I am not going to say. If thou art not going to say. If he or she is not going to say.

Kiilichichkvs, Kiichepichkys, f

Do not say. { (harshly). (mildly).

Kiihchakos, Kiihchichkekws, Kiilichekωs,

I can not say. Thou canst not say. He or she can not say.

Kiichvkaranekat tvlkis, Kiichvranichkekat tvlkis.

I must not say. Thou must not say.

Kiichvranekat tvlkis, He must not say. Kiicheskyntomatin omiis.

Kiicheskvntomatin ωmichkis.

Kiicheskyntomatin omis.

Kiichetv tωkω, Kiihchiiyatis, Kiihchatis.

Kiichaken, Kiichichkeken, Kiicheken,

I ought not to have said.

Thou oughtest not to have said.

He or she ought not to have said.

Not to say. Let me not say. Let him not tell him.

I not saying to him. Thou not saying to him. He not saying to him.

SECOND SINGULAR.

When the Nominative is singular, and the Objective plural, with the negative form.

Kiichvkakes, Kiichvkachkekes, Kiichvkekes,

Kiichvkakiisis, Kiichvkichkekiisis, Kiichvkekiisis.

Kiichakvkvňkis, Kiichakichkekvňkis, Kiichvkekvňkis,

Kiichakvkω mvtvs, Kiichvkichkekω mvtvs, Thou hadst not, etc. Kiichvkekω mvtvs,

Kiichakvkvntvs, Kiichvkichkekvntvs, Kiichvkekvntvs,

I do not say to them. Thou dost not say to, etc. He does not say to them.

I did not say to them. Thou didst not say, etc. He did not say, etc.

I have not said to them. Thou hast not said to them. He has not said to them.

I had not said to them. He had not said to them.

I did not, etc. Thou, etc. He did, etc.

Kiichvkvranakes, Kiichvkvranichkekes, Kiichvkvranekes, Kiichvkvkkáres, I will not, etc. Very soon. He will, etc. At a

Kiichvkvkkáres, Kiichvkichkekáres, Kiichvkekáres, I will not, etc. At a Thou wilt, etc. He will, etc.

Kiichvkvken & mati, Kiichvkichkeken & mati, Kiichvkeken & mati, Kiichvkvketin & mati, Kiichvkvketin & mati,

Kiichvkvkatin ωmati, If I had not, etc. Kiichakichkekatin ωmati, If thou hadst not, etc. Kiichvkekatin ωmati, If he had not, etc.

Kiichvkvkω wiites, I may not, etc. Kiichvkichkekω wiites, Thou mayest not, etc. Kiichvkekω wiites, He may not, etc.

Kiichvkvranakω wiites, Prob. Imay, etc. Kiichvkvranichkekω wiites, Prob. thou, etc. Kiichvkvranekω wiites, Prob. he, etc.

Kiichvkvranaken ωmati, If I am not going, etc. Kiichvkvranichkeken ωmati, If thou art not, etc. Kiichvkvraneken ωmati, If he is not, etc.

Kiichvkvkes, I do not say to them (harshly). Kiichvkvkepvkes, I do not say to them (mildly).

Kiichalikakωs,
Kiichalikichkekωs,
Kiichalikekωs,
I can not say to them.
Thou canst not, etc.
He can not, etc.

Kiichvkvranakat tvlkis, I must not say to them. Kiichvkvranichkekat tvlkis, Thou must not, etc. Kiichvkvranekat tvlkis, He must not, etc.

Kiichvkvranekat tvlkis, He must not, etc.

Kiichvkeskvntomatin ommiis, I ought not to
have said, etc.

Kiichvkeskvntωmatin ωmichkis,
Kiichvkeskvntωmatin ωmis,

He ought, etc.

Kiichvketvtωkes, Kiichalikiiyatis, Kiichalikatis,

Not to say. Let me not say. Let him not say to them.

Kiichakaken, Kiichvkichkeken, Kiichvkeken, I not saying to them. You not saying to them. He not saying to them.

FIRST PLURAL.

When the Nominative is plural and the Objective singular, with the negative form.

Kiichekes, Kiichachkekes, Kiichvkekes,

We do not say to him. Ye do not say, etc. They do not say, etc.

Kiichvkékiisis, Kiichvkachkekiisis, Kiichvkekiisis, We did not say, etc. Ye did not say, etc. They did not say, etc.

Kiichekvňkis, Kiichachkekvňkis, Kiichakekvňkis, We have not said, etc. Ye have not said, etc. They have not said, etc.

Kiichekωmvtvs, Kiichachkekωmvtvs, Kiichvkekωmvtvs, We had not said, etc. Ye had not said, etc. They had not said, etc.

Kiichekvntvs, Kiichachkekvntvs, Kiichvkekvntvs, We did not, etc.
Ye did not, etc.
They did not, etc.

Kiichvranekes, Kiichvranachkekes, Kiichvranekes,

We will not, etc.
Ye will not, etc.
They will not, etc.

Kiichekáres, Kiichachkekáres, Kiichvkekáres, We will not, etc. Ye will not, etc. They will, etc. At some future time.

Kiicheken omati, Kiichachkeken omati. Kiichvkeken omati,

Kiichekatin omati, Kiichachkekatin omati, Kiichvkekatin omati.

Kiichekω wiites, Kiichachkekω wiites. Kiichvkekω wiites,

Kiichvranekω wiites. Kiichvranachkekω wiites.

Kiichvraneken omati, Kiichvranachkeken ωmati.

Kiichvkvraneken omati, If they are not going, etc.

Kiilichachkvs, Kiichehpachkvs,

Kiilichekws, Kiihchachkekws, Kiichańkekωs,

Kiichvranekat tvlkis, Kiichvranachkekat tvl-

Kiichvranvkekat tvlkis,

Kiicheskyntωmatin ωmes. Kiicheskyntomatin

omachkis. Kiicheskvntomatin omakis.

If we do not say, etc. If ye do not say, etc. If they do not say, etc.

If we had not said, etc. If ye had not said, etc. If they had not said, etc.

We may not say, etc. Ye may not say, etc. They may not say, etc.

Probably we may not, etc. Probably ye may, etc.

Kiichvkvranekω wiites, Probably they may, etc.

If we are not going to, etc. If ye are not going, etc.

Say not (harshly). Say not (softly).

We can not say, etc. Ye can not say, etc. They can not say, etc.

We must not say, etc. Ye must not say, etc.

They must not say, etc.

We ought not to have said. etc.

Ye ought not to have said, etc.

They ought not to have said, etc.

Kiihcheyatis, Kiihchatskatis.

Let us not say. Let them not say.

When the Nominative and Objective are both plural, with the negative form.

Kiichakékes, Kiichvkachkekes, Kiichvkvkekes.

Kiichvkvkkékiisis, Kiichvkachkekiisis, Kiichvkvkekiisis,

Kiichvkekvňkis, Kiichvkachkekvňkis, Kiichvkvkekvňkis,

Kiichvkékω mvtvs, Kiichvkachkekω mvtvs, Ye have not said, etc. Kiichvkeko mytvs,

Kiichvkékvntvs, Kiichvkachkekvntvs, Kiichvkikvntvs.

Kiichvkvranékos, Kiichvkvranachkekes, Kiichvkvranèkes,

Kiichvkvkekares, Kiichvkachkekares, Kiichvkvkekares,

Kiichvkéken wmati, Kiichvkachkeken ωmati, Kiichvkiken omati,

Kiichvkékatin ωmati, Kiichvkachkekatin ωmati,

We do not say to them. Ye do not say, etc. They do not say, etc.

We did not say, etc. Ye did not say, etc. They did not say, etc.

We did not say, etc. Ye did not say, etc. They did not say, etc.

We have not said, etc. They have not said, etc.

We did not, etc. Ye did not, etc. They did not, etc.

We will not say, etc. Ye will not say, etc. They will not say, etc.

We will not say, etc. Ye will not say, etc. They will not say, etc.

If we do not say, etc. If ye do not say, etc.

If they do not say, etc. If we had not said, etc. If ye had not said, etc.

Kiichvkvkekatin omati, If they had not said, etc.

Kiichvkekω wiites, Kiichvkachkekω wiites Kiichvkvkekω wiites,	Probably we will not, etc. Probably ye, etc. Probably they, etc.
Kiichykyranékω P wiites,	robably we will, etc.
Kiichvkvranachkekω P wiites,	[E]
Kiichvkvranvkeko P wiites,	robably they, etc.
Kiichvkvranéken ωmati,	If we are not going, etc.
Kiichvkvranachkeken ωmati,	If ye are not, etc.
Kiichvkvranvkekωn ωmati,	If they are not, etc.
Kiichvkahkachkvs, Kiichvkvkehpachkvs,	Do not say, etc. (harsh) Do not say, etc. (mild)
Kiichalikékws, Kiichalikachkekws, Kiichvkalikekws,	We will not say, etc. Ye will not say, etc. They will not say, etc.
Kiichvkvranékat tvlkis, Kiichvkvranachkekat tvlkis,	We must not say, etc. Ye must not say, etc.
Kiichvkvranekat tvlkis,	They must not say, etc.
Kiichvkvkekvntωmatit ωmakes,	We ought not to have, etc.
Kiichvkachkekvntω- matit ωmachkis,	Ye ought not, etc.
Kiichvkvkikvntomatit omakis,	They ought not, etc.
Kiichvkvketv toko,	To not say to them.
Kiichvkalikvkatis, Kiichvkvkelipvkatis,	Let us not say, etc. (mild) Let us not, etc. (harsh)

Kiichvkéken, Kiichvkachkeken. Kiichvkvkiken,

We not saying, etc. Ye not saying, etc. They not saying, etc.

Variations of the Neuter verb To be.

Indicative mood, present tense, singular.

1 Tωyiis,

2 Tωvichkis, 3 Twyis,

I am. Thou art.

He is.

Plural.

1 Tωyepes,

2 Twyepachkis, 3 Twyepis,

We are. Ye are.

They are. Singular, imperfect tense.

1 Vnitiisis,

2 Chemitiisis, 3 Emitiisis,

It was I. It was you. It was he.

Plural.

1 Pomitiisis, 2 Chemitakitiisis,

We were the persons. Ye were the persons. They were the persons.

Singular, perfect tense, or second past time.

1 Vnitvnkis. 2 Chemitvnkis, 3 Emitvnkis,

3 Emitakitiisis,

It was I. It was you. It was he.

Plural.

1 Pωmi tvňkis, 2 Chemitaki tvňkis, 3 Emitaki tvnkis,

We were the persons. Ye were the persons. They were the persons.

Singular, third past time.

1 Vni tomvttvs,

2 Chemi tomvttvs, 3 Emi tomvttvs,

It was I. It was you. It was he.

Pωmi tωmvttvs,
 Chemitaki tωmvttvs,
 We were the persons.

3 Emitaki tomvttvs, They were the persons.

Singular, fourth past time.

1 Vni tvntvs, It was I.
2 Chemi tvntvs, It was you.
3 Emitvntvs, It was he.

Plural.

Pωmi tvntvs,
 Chemitaki tvntvs,
 Emitaki tvntvs,
 We were the persons.
 Ye were the persons.
 They were the persons.

EXAMPLE.

Nini timpin istit heerin hechiiyvntvs, Long ago I saw some one standing near to the road-side. Vni tvntvs, It was I whom you saw.*

Singular.

1 Vnitates,
2 Chemitates,
3 Emitates,
I was the one.
You was, etc.
He was, etc.

Plural.

Pωmitates,
 Chemitakitates,
 Emitakitates,
 We were the persons.
 Ye were the persons.
 They were the persons.

Historic tense, singular.

1 Vnitiistvntvs,
2 Chemitiistvntvs,
3 Emitiistvntvs,
It was J.
It was you.
It was he.
According to information received.

^{*} All of the preceding tenses imply personal knowledge or consciousness on the part of the speaker; and although the various past tenses have the same English translation, yet they convey to the Indian mind a difference as to past time.

STATE OF THE PARTY	
1 Pomitiistyntys,	We were the ones.
2 Chemitakitiistvntvs.	Ye were the ones.
3 Emitakitiistyntys,	
o Emitakithstyntys,	They were the ones

Occasional tense, singular.

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1 Vnitvnten,	I.am.	111
2 Chemitvnton,	Thou art.	CHININA COLLEGIO
3 Emitvnton,	He is.	Habitually
	Plural.	(told,annoyed,
1 Pomitvnten,	We are.	etc).
2 Chemitakitvnton,	Ye are.	第一个一个一个一个一个一个一个一个一个一个一个一个一个一个一个一个一个一个一个
3 Emitakitvnten,	They are.	
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First future tense, singular.

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1 Vnitaraniisis, 2 Chemitaraniisis, 3 Emitaraniisis,	I am to be the one. You are to be, etc. He is to be, etc.	to pre-
I	Plural.	read
1 Pωmitaraniisis, 2 Chemitaki taraniisis, 3 Emitaki taraniisis.	We are to be, etc. Ye are to be, etc. They are to be ata	ccordin, ious agr

Another form, singular.

I am to be the one.

You are to be, etc.

1 Vnitaranis.

2 Chemitaranis,

5 Emitaranis,	He is to be the, etc.	reer
	Plural.	eferei
1 Pωmitaranis, 2 Chemitakitaranis,	We are to be, etc.	out r
3 Emitakitaranis,	Ye are to be, etc. They are to, etc.	With ny pr

Second future tense, singular.

2 Chemitares, 3 Emitares,	It will be I the one. You will be the one. He will be the one.
	me will be the one.

- 1 Pωmitares.
- 2 Chemitakitares.
- 3 Emitakitares,

We will be the persons. Ye will be the persons. They will be the persons.

EXAMPLE.

Istiimvt mikkw hakvrhakis? Who will be made chief? Vnitares, I will be the person; Chemitares, It will be you, etc.

Subjunctive mood, present time, singular.

- 1 Vni tωwiites.
- 2 Chemi towiites,
- 3 Emi tωwiites,
- It may be me.
- It may be you. It may be him.

Plural.

- 1 Pomi towiites, 2 Chemitaki tωwiites,
- It may be us. It may be you.
- 3 Emitaki towiites.
- It may be them.

Another form, singular.

- 1 Vniten omati, 2 Chemiten ωmati,
- If I am. If you are.
- 3 Emiten omati,

If he is.

Plural.

- 1 Pomiton omati, 2 Chemitakiton omati, If ye are.
 - If we are.
- 3 Emitakiten ωmati, If they are.

EXAMPLE.

Mikket hvmkvtekeyan tvlof achulin epotet tvra nachekkiisis; Vniten ωmati lvpkωsan kirritvn chiivachis.

We have learned that the king is going to send some one to the old nation; if I am the one (or if it be me), I wish to know it soon.

Singular.

- 1 Vnitatetiis omewiites. Perhaps it was I, or me.
- 2 Chemitatetiis ωmewiites, Perhaps it was you, etc.
- 3 Emitatitiis omewiites. Perhaps it was he, etc.

Plural.

- 1 Pωmi tatetiis ωmewiites. Perhaps we were the persons.
- 2 Chemitaki tatetiis omewiites, Perhaps ve were, etc.
- 3 Emitaki tatetiis omewiites, Perhaps they, etc.

Future tense, singular.

- 1 Vni taranin ωmati, If I am to be the one.
- 2 Chemi taranin omati, If you are to be the one.
- 3 Emi taranin wmati, If he is to be the one.

Plural.

- 1 Pomitaranin omati, If we are to be the ones.
- 2 Chemitaki taranin omati, If ye are to be, etc.
- 3 Emitaki taranin omati, If they are to be, etc.

Another form, singular.

- 1 Vnitarani wiites,
- 1 Vnitarani wiites, 2 Chemitarani wiites, 3 Emitarani wiites, Prob. I will be the person. Prob. it will be you. Prob. he will be the one. 3 Emitarani wiites,

Plural.

- 1 Pωmi tarani wiites, We may be the persons.
- 2 Chemitaki taranii wiites, Ye may be the persons.
- 3 Emitaki taranii wiites, They may be the persons.

Past time.

- 1 Vnitatin omati, If I had been the one.
- 2 Chemitatin ωmati. If you had been the one.
- 3 Emitatin omati, If he had been the one.

Plural.

- 1 Pomitatin omati, If we had been the persons.
- 2 Chemitakitatin wmati, If ye had been the, etc.
- 3 Emitakitatin omati, If they had been the, etc.

Imperative mood, present.

Tωyvs, Tωyepvs,

Be thou (harshly). Be thou (mildly).

Imperative mood, future.

Tωyvtchvs, Tωyepvtchvs,

Be thou in future (harshly). Be thou in future (mildly).

Potential mood, present time, singular.

1 Vnitiis, 2 Chemitiis, 3 Emitiis,

I can. You can. He can.

Plural.

1 Pωmitiis,2 Chemitakitiis,3 Emitakitiis,

We can. Ye can. They can.

EXAMPLE.

Vnitiis ayiiyes, I can go; Istiit ayvrhak's? Who will go? Pomitiis, We can (go being understood); or, Pomitiis apeyeyes, expressed.

Future time.

Τωγερνταπίιγαt tvlkis,
 Τωγερνταπίκα tvlkis,
 Υου must be.

3 Tωyepvranat tvlkis, He must be.

Plural.

Τωγερνταιεγατ tvlkis, We must be.
 Τωγερνταιαchkat tvlkis, Ye must be.

3 Toyvkepvranat tvlkis, They must be.

Infinitive.

Tωyitv, or tωyepitv, To be.

Participles, singular.

1 Tωyepiin,2 Tωyepichkin,3 Tωyepin,

I being. You being.

He being.

1 Tωyepen,
2 Tωyepachkin,
3 Tωyvkepin,
We being.
Ye being.
They being.

In addition to the neuter verb To be, which I have conjugated, there are various others in the Creek language which express nearly the same sense. I will now give the singular, dual, plural, and interrogative forms of a few of them.

Sing. Liikiis, I am here (literally, I am sitting).

Dual. Kakes, we (two) are here.

Plur. Apwkes, we (more than two) are here.

Interr. Liika? Kaka? Apwka?

Sing. Heeriis, I am here (literally, I am standing).

Dual. Schokes, we (two) are here.

Plur. Sapakles, we (more than two) are here.

Interr. Heera? Sehwka? Sapakla?

Sing. Ariis, I am here (literally, I am walking about here).

Dual. Welakes, we (two) are here.

Plur. Felles, we (more than two) are here.

Interr. Ara? Welaka? Folla?

Sing. Wokkiis, I am lying here.

Dual. Wokhωkes, we (two) are lying here.

Plur. Lemhes, we (more than two) are lying here.

Interr. Wokka? Wokhoka? Lomha?*

SOME IMPERSONAL VERBS.+

Tenetkis, it thunders; Tenetka, does it thunder?

* All the above interrogatives may be varied in form so as to make them equivalent to the question I wonder if they are there; as, ara? is he about? or, archakis, I wonder if he is about?

[†] Many grammarians object to the term impersonal (which means having no person) because the verbs thus denominated are always found in the third person. I do not object to the criticism, but will hold on to the name until a better one is adopted.

Øskis, it rains; Øská, does it rain?
Atuyehattis, it lightens; atuyehattehakis?
Hittωtis, it snows; Hittetekes, it does not snow.
Kvsvppes, it is cold; Kvsuppemáhis, it is very cold.
Hiiyes, it is hot; Hiiyete? is it hot?
Yωmechkes, it is dark; Yωmechketa, very dark.

OF THE LAWS OF SYNTAX.

The part of Grammar called Syntax has reference to the agreement and government of words; and of

their proper arrangement in sentences.

Agreement is nothing more than the obedience which one word pays to the law of the governing word; as, in English, a verb agrees with its nominative case, because the nominative case governs the verb.

Government in language consists in the power which one word has over another, according to the laws which are founded upon the established use of the best speakers or writers of the language. Hence a grammarian is not at liberty to make arbitrary rules; but such only as conform to use. I have tried to look into those laws which govern the Creek tongue, and, as far as I have learned them, I shall publish them; and leave to more able philologists the task of revealing those that are still occult.

RULE I.—The demonstrative pronouns heyv and ma are declined like nouns, and in all their cases they belong to nouns either of the singular or plural number.

Examples.—"Heyv ωρωνκν," "This saying;" John, vii., 36: "Heyv ωρωνκν," "These words;" John, viii., 30: "Ma achatωtatet," "He that sent me;" John, viii., 29: "Mvn" (objective of ma) imvhayvr-

hakis?" "Will he teach them?" John, vii., 35. In all such examples the number is determined by the verb.

RULE II.—A noun that possesses governs the noun that is possessed; as, "Chani imislafkv," "John's knife."

We say in English that "a noun or pronoun in the possessive case is governed by the noun it possesses;" simply because the possessive case is required to end a certain way; but suppose it were good English to say "John s'knife," instead of "John's knife," then the rule would be reversed. Thus it is in Creek, the possessive sign forms a prefix to the noun possessed, instead of an affix to the possessing noun. We used to say "John his knife."

RULE III.—When a loud call is made, the name of the person called is put in the vocative; as, "Chane," Oh! John. This case is distinguished from the first form of the noun in writing and printing by the double accent; but in speaking it is only distinguished by the stress of voice on the final vowel, which is the reverse of the English rule, being equivalent to John, Oh!!

RULE IV.—When a general address is made, the persons addressed are put in the nominative case to the neuter verb To be, which is added to the final noun only; as, "Vnhissvlki, Chawvntaki, ittichokkeyvte vlki toyachkati," "My friends, sisters, and brethren all you are."

Rule V.—The nominative case governs any intransitive verb; as, letkiis, I run; letkichkis, thou runnest; tωκωrkes, we two run; pefatkakis, they run.

Note 1.—A verb is intransitive when the action does not terminate on an object. When I say, "thou runnest," the verb runnest is intransitive because it does not terminate on an object; but when I say "thou runnest a race," the verb runnest is transitive.

NOTE 2.—I might follow the order of many grammars, and make another rule for the agreement of the nominative case with the verb; but what is the use? If the nominative case governs the verb, it is an unavoidable sequence that the verb must agree with its nominative case; and to make it a rule, is like passing a law to enforce a law!

In parsing pefatkakis, for example, we would say it is a verb in the third person plural number, because its nominative case emitakit, understood, requires it, according to Rule V. The nominative case governs the intransitive verb; and if the nominative case were expressed I would parse it thus: Emitaki is a pronoun, etc.,

governs pefatkakis, according to Rule V., etc.

Rule VI.—The nominative and objective cases both govern Creek transitive verbs; as, first sing. kiichiis, I say to him; second sing. kiichakiis, I say to them; first plur. kiiches, we say to him; and second plur. kiichakes, we say to them.

From these examples it will be seen that the verb is varied on account of the objective case, as well as on account of the nominative; and hence the law of

Rule VI.

Some might wish another rule for the agreement of the nominative and objective cases with the transitive verb; but I would urge the same objection found under Rule V. It is useless to burden a student with unnecessary rules. I would always apply the same rule in parsing a verb, that I would in parsing its nominative; for, if the nominative governs by a strong law, the verb is bound to submit, and by the same rule.

Rule VII.—Transitive verbs govern the objective case of a noun if it stand by itself; or the first form of the noun and the objective case of whatever is added to the noun to qualify it or show its relation.

Examples.—" Momof Siimvn Petvt islafkv chvp-kon ochit," etc., "And then Simon Peter a sword having," etc.

In this sentence islafky is in the first form; chypkon, which qualifies the noun islafky, is in the objective case, because the transitive verb (or participial form of the verb) wheir requires it, according to Rule VII.

In this sentence islafky chypkωn, the word for sword, but meaning literally knife long, may be parsed either as a name or noun; or it may be dissected and parsed as a noun and adjective, according to Rule VII.

"Hychko akvpirv aliikatin intachvtes," "He cut off his right ear," etc. Here, aliikatin, the word that qualifies ear, is in the objective case, according to Rule VII.

Note. 1.—Where several words follow the same noun all expressing its quality or relation, they are put in the first form except the last, and that assumes the case of the noun it qualifies.

Note 2.—What is the use of treating the participle as a separate part of speech, seeing it is a form of the verb, and has the same government? Just as well make a part of speech out of the infinitive mood.

RULE VIII.—Prepositional verbs govern the objective case.

Examples.—"Kalvle tvlofvn aosvrane tomehakis?" "Will he (Christ) come out of Galilee town?" "Isti omvlkvt ehetitakin ohhayvtes," "Every man went to his own home." "Chesvs rvni Olifvt hochifkan ohhayvtes," "Jesus went unto the Mount of Olives." "Ekvnvn soh choyvtes," "He wrote on the ground with (his finger)." "Iñkin isnvfkakvtes," "They smote him with their hands." In these examples it will be seen that the objective case immediately precedes the prepositional verb; and is governed by it, according to Rule VIII.

Note.—I prefer saying prepositional verbs, to prepositions in composition, because they do not govern the objective case when

in composition with nouns, but are often in the objective themselves. Again: they do not seem so much to be in composition with the verb; but sometimes form an essential part of the verb, just as pronouns do of nouns in the second declension. Observe, moreover, the facility with which Creeks can vary their verbs to express different shales of thought: chayvtes, he wrote; whchayvtes, he wrote on something; and, sachchayvtes, he wrote on something, with something!

RULE IX.—Adjectives must agree with the nouns they describe in number and case; as,

Svtvt kvmekses, The apple is sour.
Svtvt kvmeksvkes, The apples are sour.
Svtv kvmeksvken amvnks, He gave me sour apples.

Note.—I would parse adjective pronouns like adjectives, and apply the same rule; as, isti istomet, any person. In this sentence, istomet agrees with isti according to Rule IX. And so of naki istomet, and all such phrases.

RULE X.—Adverbs, whether alone or in composition, qualify the verbs, adjectives, or other adverbs to which they belong.

Examples.—"Elikose nakin makiiyvtesekes," "Secretly have I said nothing." In this sentence elikose and sekes are both adverbs, which qualify makiiyvte, according to Rule X. "Molimin ayokhvmkosin isti honvnwv chvliknepvtes," "And immediately the man was healed." In the above sentence, ayokhvmosin is an adverb qualifying chvliknepvtes, according to Rule X.

Note.—In parsing a verb with the negative adverb in composition, it would be as well to call it a negative verb without dissecting it, and parsing it as two parts of speech.

RULE XI.—Personal pronouns must agree in number with the nouns for which they stand.

Synopsis of the Conjugation of Makity, To say, as it is frequently used in composition or connection with the same word; as, He says I said.

Makiis, makis, he says I say; Makakes makakis, they say that we say? Mahkiis makis, he says that I said; Makahkes makakis, they say that we said; Makiiyiisis makiisis, he said that he said; Makeyiisis makakiisis, they said that they said; Makiiyvnkis makvňkis, he said that he said; Makeyvňkis makakvnkis, they said that they said; Makiimvttvs makevttvs, he said that he said; Makemyttvs makakemyttvs, they said that they said; Makiiyvntvs makvntvs, he said that he said : Makeyvntvs makakvntvs, they said that they said; Makythakemyttys makemyttys, he said that he heard some one say that he heard some one say; Makakvt hakemvttvs makake mvttvs, they said that they heard some people say that some people had said; Makiis tvntvs makvntvs, he said it has been said (long ago); Makakiistvntvs makakvntvs, they said that it had been said (long ago).* Makvraniis, makis, he says I am going to say; Makvranes makakis, they say we are going to say; Makares makis, he says I will say; makeyvres makakis, they say we will say; Makepiivvte tares makis, he says that I will have said; makepevvte tares, makakis, they say that we will have said; makiin omati makes, he says if I say; makaken wmati makakis, they say that if we say; makiivvtin wmati makis, he says if I had said; makeyvtin wmati makakis, they say if we had said; makewiitiiyes makis, he says I may say; makake wiiteyes makakis, they say we may say; makvrane wiitiiyes makis, he says that probably I will say; makvrane wiiteves makakis, they say that probably we will say; makvraniin omati makis, he says

^{*} There is no certainty in information conveyed by this last tense, but it is synonymous to the phrase, "it is an old saying."

that if I am going to say; makvranen omati makakis, they say that if we are going to say; makepiiyvte towiitvres makis, he says that if I shall have said; makepeyvte towiitvres makakis, they say that if we shall have said; makvs, makis, he says, say; makvkis makakis, say (all of you), they say; makiiyes makis, he says I can say; makeyes makakis, they say we can say. The literal translations of these verbs seem strange to us, and almost as indefinite in meaning as the vulgar colloquial style of "says he," and "says I;" or, "I heard a man say that he heard another man say," etc.; but the Creeks, by the various inflections of these verbs, can make their meaning known to each other with great definiteness and precision.

Makvraniiyat tvlkis makis, he says I must say; makvraneyat tvlkis makakis, they say that we must say; makvkvntomatit omiis, he says that I ought to have said; makvkvntomatin omes, makakis, they say that we ought to have said; makitv makis, to say he says, or a saying he says (for the word makitv is either the infinitive or a noun); makakitv makakis, to say they say; makiin makis, saying he says; maken

makakis, saying they say.

I have now given a synopsis of the conjugation of Makity, To say, in the first person of each tense, singular and plural numbers, leaving the student to supply the second and third persons of each number in all the tenses, according to the conjugation of the preceding verbs. In the second or accompanying form of the verb I have only given the singular and plural numbers of the first person of the present tense, while it might be subjected to as many variations as the first, as makits makenty, he said, long ago, that I say, etc.

CONCLUSION.

ARRANGEMENT OF SENTENCES, AND ALSO OF WORDS IN A SENTENCE.

The method of expressing ideas in Creek is so entirely different from that to which our minds have been accustomed, that it is extremely difficult to learn to think or speak according to the idiom of their language. In translating a sentence from our language into theirs, it is necessary to begin, not at the commencement, but at the conclusion; and sach, too, is the usual method of their interpreters. Where the preacher leaves off, there his interpreter begins, and advances backward to the commencement? This is not only true of sentences, but also of words.

The sentence "Give me tobacco," a Creek transposes "Tobacco me giva " Are you well?" "You well are?" "Are you mad?" "What! you mad are?" "Christ alone is my friend," "God his Son only my

friend is mine," etc.

Our adjectives are placed before the nouns, theirs follow after; our adverbs are usually placed after the verbs, theirs are placed before them; we say "in the house," they say "house in ;" we exclaim "Oh! John," and they cry " John Oh !" They state the conclusion of an argument first, and the premises afterward; while the ergo of their syllogisms is the last word in the sentence. For this reason it is extremely difficult to preach an argumentative sermon through an interpreter. An entire argument must be stated before the interpreter begins, or confusion and misunderstanding will be the result. Every sentence, to be interpreted into Creek, must make complete

sense without the aid of the context. Children can learn their language readily, but grown people never! No white man can learn their language so as to speak it fluently, unless he can gain his consent to abandon his own. There are white men who have lived forty years, perhaps, among the Creeks, and have raised Indian families, who can not speak their

language correctly, much less fluently.

I admit that some have learned it well enough to carry on trade and business among them without interpreters, and even to converse with them, after a fashion, on commonplace topics; but when did a white man ever preach a sermon or deliver an address in Creek? I would not discourage others from the effort to master the Creek language; and it is my purpose to make all the proficiency I can, for the sake of being useful, but in proportion to our success in this, will be our loss in the command of good English.

What practical advantages will result from the present effort to develop the laws of the language, and to reduce them to some sort of system, remains for time to reveal. Had the present missionaries enjoyed the facilities now afforded them, when they first came to the nation, they might have been able to accomplish greater good. That this book may aid those who wish to learn Creek for the sake of do-

ing good, is the ardent prayer of the author.

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