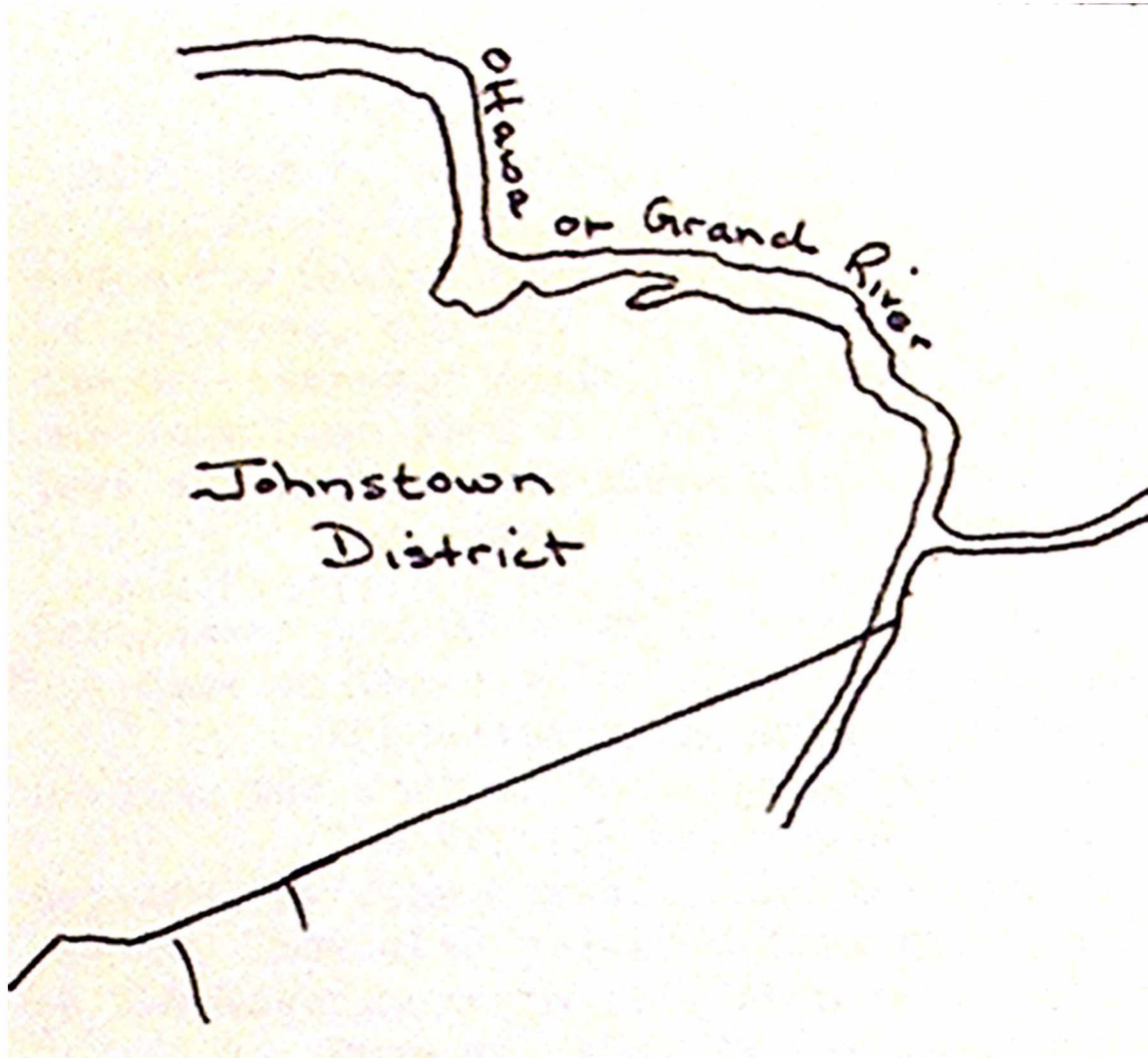


INDIANS



From the original map of the area surrendered by the Mississippi Nation May 31.1819 when the lands in the Johnstown District of that time were purchased by the Crown.

"The principal Men of the Mississippi Nation" who represented the 257 Indians normally inhabiting this area signed the agreement which transferred 2,748,000 acres of the Johnstown District to his Majesty King George the III and would receive the sum of 642 pounds 40 shillings in provincial currency yearly and every year forever in goods at the Montreal price. In decimal currency the rate was calculated at \$10 a head.

This agreement was ratified November 28, 1822 with the Deputy Superintendent General of Indian Affairs in the province of Upper Canada now acting for King George IV. The annuities were to remain at the rate of 257 Indians. The The map attached to the agreement had no roads or towns shown. It was unbroken forest.

The British did not come as conquerors of the Indians in North America. In 1670 and again in 1763, a Royal Proclamation stated that the Indians must be treated justly and only land that the Indians had agreed to give up could be obtained by white settlers. Indians were sought as allies in early colonial wars by the military authorities until 1830.