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Such has been & is now the unfounded fears entertained by the female settlers in reference to the Indian character - but if we take an impartial view of the Indian character we must pronounce it noble as far as the tribes near the territory are concerned. There are tribes like the Comanches & others of which the author knows little or nothing about - but if we refer to the Creeks the Piankeshaw the Osage the Mear ~~the~~ Delaware - Potawatomi or Wyandots we can unhesitatingly say they are a noble race many of them are exceedingly well to do in the world they are the individual owners of a great number of Poney, Cattle Pigs Poultry &c they have their fine gardens their Bloom fields of Corn their Rosey Peach & Apple orchards you may see the Indians & their Squaws sometimes on the road to westport or Kansas riding on the most noble looking & choicest Steeds parading the ground & prancing with the choicest decorations on for be it remembered the Indians takes the greatest pride imaginable in the trapping of their horses they like to them covered over with half Moons whole Moons Diamonds Stars &c cut out in trap washed over with silver then their Squaws never wear any hats but their heads are covered with the richest handkerchiefs or Shalls that are of immense value Cloaks &c - the Squaws are most excellent horsewomen, & they take a great delight in showing ^{world} it but there others certainly who are not so well to do in the