

V. INDIAN WRITING FROM A CAVE IN THE WICHITA MOUNTAINS

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These figures are found on the south side of Soldier Mountain on Sec. 7, T. 4 N. R. 19 W., about 100 feet above the plain where a boulder about 50 feet in diameter has fallen down over other boulders in such a way as to form a cavern of considerable size.

The writing seems to have been made by first smoothing or gouging the rock to make the lines and then coloring them with yellow ocher. In one or two places the rock has spalled off because of camp fires built on the floor of the cavern. The human figure is of life size and is a few feet above the writing. It has been painted on the rough rock with red ocher without any smoothing of the surface.

It seems quite evident that both were made by primitive people before the white occupation but that the human figure was made at a considerable later date than the writing.

