

...hardness kept on and were killed  
...tly, the other scalped alive and burned over a  
...the result of this war movement will be that the fri-  
...separate themselves from the Hostile ones, and the latter  
...over to the military, and probably no mercy extended to them,  
...they will be annihilated, then those who have long wanted to become  
...ized and settle down to a better life will be removed from the fear of  
...others and will be able to do more after the manner of the whites,- send  
their children to school etc.

I attended a meeting with the Guardelupes (Warloopis) band of Caddos last  
First-day and (do not be alarmed) and was enabled to talk to them to some le-  
ngth. They said that some things I had told them was new to them, that they  
had never heard it before, but as it corresponded with a secret feeling in th-  
eir own hearts they believed it was true, and should think deeply of it. Ther-  
e were over 100 Indians present old and young, male and female who were very  
attentive and thoughtful. I believe that these Caddoes are now ripe for the  
reception of the good seed of the kingdom if a good sower were among them to  
sow it. My sheet is about full and I can give no farther satisfaction as to  
the time of my getting started for home, and yet I cannot persuade myself tha-  
the time is far distant, or that I shall not be with you soon. So with my  
love to you all I bid you farewell. Be of good cheer, and keep heart. Again  
farewell.  
Thomas C. Battey

The following is a letter from the Shearon girls, to Lucinda Battey, after  
their safe arrival home.

June 14th 1874  
Wichita Kansas  
Lucinda Battey

There has no doubt long before this,  
heard of our abrupt departure from Ft. Sill and also the cause, through thy  
husband, though we are strangers to thee in name, yet we feel as if by knowin-  
g thy husband, that we were friends of thine. And it is to acknowledge to thee  
the debt of gratitude we owe thy husband for his kind and fatherly advise,  
given us when at the risk of the Agents displeasure, as well as his life, fr-  
om the hands of those he so zealously labors for, that we address thee. Had  
it not been for his timely counsel, I dread to think of what our fate in all  
probability, would have been.

We feel that our indebtedness to him will never be cancelled.

Thy husband I presume gave the full particulars, so tis not necessary for  
me to dwell upon them, if what we have written, will enable thee to know the  
debt of gratitude we owe him, we will feel that we have only done a small act  
compared to what we owe.

Very respectfully  
Hattie and Emma Shearon  
Wichita Kansas