

Colo here yesterday with about 850 men, they had turned out for the purpose of Marching to Fort Meigs. Upon the earnest solicitation of Colo Johnson I have sent him out to the neighbourhood of Fort Wayne, from whence his future movements will depend upon the information which may be received of the movements of the Indians & the ultimate decision of the Secty of War. Should it be determined to send them to you they will proceed down the Wabash or perhaps strike at some of the Potawatimie Villages about Chicago & proceed from thence by the way of Peoria for the mouth of the Illinois. Colo Johnson has sent to Ky. for the remaining part of the men that have enrolled themselves in his Regt which he supposes will bring it up to the amt of 1000. In a late letter from Secty of War he observes that he is well convinced that no attack in force will be made upon any of the Territories & that so long as they have Malden to defend or my army to destroy every Indian that they can obtain will be brought down to that place. This is exactly my opinion & corresponds with information just received from four of our friendly Indians who were taken in the defeat of Dudleys Regt on the 5th Inst. A very considerable number of the Northern Indians were in the late seige of Fort Meigs & the whole body of those that are in the British Interests are expected down in course of this month. It would be very singular if any other course were pursued. Malden once in our possession & the command of the Lakes attained Macanac & St. Joseph will fall in a fortnight & with