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Etta Mason,
Investigator
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Letter written by A. E. Fulsom
to Mrs. Clink ~~Coates~~, formerly
of Atoka.

It seems an age since I first knew Atoka. I am 77 years old and I am the oldest man now living who knew every foot of Atoka. As for the graveyard it can be found on both sides of Boggy. Where Will McBride's house now stands, is a burial ground. Can't be seen now as heap business there. One place on Russell ground is half from the bridge to the old yard now to be seen. Then again the M. R. and T. R. runs through it and up west for 3 mile there was several graves; I don't think they can be seen. Few of graves had head boards or rocks with company initials cut. While there was some Choctaws buried there, there was great many Texas men buried there.

I was camped there at old Camp Watie from 1862 at different times as was an officer. Would move when ordered until the end came. I was an escort for my father detailed to escort him to the Wichita Mountains, as he was Judge of all the Indians South in 1865. I stretched the large "sibley"? for Masons to meet with the Prairie Indians. I asked father if they was Masons,

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he said, "Yes but very imperfect." Oh! I must quit, hoping
you success. I have been a soldier 4 years and 3 months.

Very resp.

A. E. Fulson

I am too old to write.