

Paraclipta, Ark. June 26th 1843

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Col Pitchlynn
Dear Sir

It is with pleasure that we take this opportunity of sending you a few lines to let you know that we the party which came to your house and presented the Confederate Flag to the Check-Tow-Co. are all well.

Hoping that when these lines come to hand they may find you & family well. you will find enclosed in this the Ballad of Joe Stearns with some others which we present to you. well. The Ladies have a great deal to tell their friends about what they saw & heard on their visit to the Nation. they say that they will never forget you all. and send their compliments to you all. we have practiced the war dance a great deal but have not got it perfect yet.

Our examination is going on now at this place there are a good many persons attending though the weather is rather unpropitious. we regret very much that none of the Nation folks are here. we expected several and had made preparations accordingly. we hope it will not be so all the time we hope that you will still pay us a visit. which would be very acceptable at any time. you will please respond immediately and let us know ~~whether~~ that you have got those Ballads give our best respects to all inquiring friends so no more at this time But remain your friend

J. S.

John S. Chesnut

John S. Hearse

To Col. P. Pitchlynn