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Wade County Sept 4<sup>th</sup> 1863

Dear Sir

In writing to you and stating  
current weather well was possible to

The federals after persuading Genl  
Casper as far as Perry Dille had returned back  
to fort Gibson it appears they are at Caspers Landing  
in Creek Nation at Sidney Spring

Great many people that live in  
Cains County had <sup>been</sup> ~~been~~ <sup>sent</sup> ~~sent~~ <sup>to</sup> ~~to~~ <sup>the</sup> ~~the~~ <sup>mountain</sup> ~~mountain~~  
are returning back home of them those  
had not <sup>been</sup> ~~been~~ <sup>sent</sup> ~~sent~~ <sup>to</sup> ~~to~~ <sup>the</sup> ~~the~~ <sup>mountain</sup> ~~mountain~~

Capt. Thompson company went  
to assist the people that they were scouting  
them in that county the people may gather  
their stock over <sup>the</sup> ~~the~~ <sup>mountain</sup> ~~mountain~~

The company has returned yesterday evening  
and has made that report

I received a letter from the District Chief  
from Arkansas trying rather all the men  
as they can go and help Col. Cobble at Peters  
Landing they are fixing a hard battle with  
for fight. The infantry of Fed. has come  
down on this side and I know they will march  
down to Shully Dille and camp low and the  
King plantations there are about 2000 of

them, and I thought of Cable had enough men  
to whip them, his and Steel together as Garrison  
told they had about 2000 with Pines beside there is  
choctaw company and other private with them  
Capt Blanton and Capt John Within<sup>are</sup> with them  
And so I have not ask the company in this  
County to go over unless further needed

General Cooper part of his regiment  
of Texas are advancing towards Fort Gibson as I  
am told by man from Coopers camp.

We are told here that Genl Price has whip  
the Fed pretty badly. If it is so you have inteli-  
gent before this time. These Infantry of Federals  
are very brave coming with 2000, they must  
know that some other help was to be their or  
else they would not so rank to fight.

My family are still lingering <sup>with</sup> sickness  
yet. Especially my wife she is very bad off at  
present. If my family are could be so that  
I could leave I will be at the council

Remain your affection  
ate friend

Oliver H. Wade

P.S. While I have my writing to you the man just from  
Shubbyville inform me that Cable had no fight at Pato  
but retreated down to the River towards Little Rock  
and the choctaw company are scattered every where to  
try save their families. And the Pines are just back in  
Shubbyville desperate. Last company is back home and  
there's