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Dear Bob.

The labours of the Convention were ended last evening having been in Session three weeks; and I am right glad that the work is gone through with; it is to be submitted on the first Wednesday of April to the people, for their approval or rejection. There is to be a Principal Chief with three inferior Chiefs; Judiciary have undergone considerable change; Judges of the Supreme Court as well as Circuit are to be by appointment; do away Justices and Constables; substituting County Judges, similar to our old Constitution in that respect being elective; A Sheriff with a competent number of light horsemen elected in each County the latter appointed by the District Chiefs and subject to their orders. The Seat of Government has been permanently loca

ted at the town of Doaksville -

This is about all, of the most important features, of the Doaksville Constitution. I am glad to say to the credit of those who participated in the framing of the new Constitution, ^{that they} were with few exceptions harmonious; having the good of the people as the primary object in all their deliberations - There was a paper handed in to the Committee drafting the Constitution supposing to be from you or Cochran and the clause inserted although provisions to the same effect had been made.

Boys Depot maneuver has reduced to a low discount, certain quarters; but there is no telling what schemes and plans are made to rally on the ruins of of somebody. As for myself, I am determined to do, or say nothing till I see a reason or cause for it. No more at present about these matters -

There have been much sickness in
the country - and good many people have
died. Truly my daughter is dead; died
suddenly of Choking quincy - Mrs. A. M.
Jones have also died - Your niece M. Wilson is dead.

My own family are now well and
join me in much love to you; and yours
Yours truly - Jos. Dukes