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Dear Bro. Peter

For great fear
that you may for get us all, I
decid myself to drop you a few words
to prove to you that we have not
forgotten you. we often think of, &
very often look for letters from you
but very few do we get. we have
been looking for a letter from you
several weeks, but no letter yet.

I will now proceed to tell you the
general news in the Nation. Times
are very hard & dry. we have not
had any rain in two months since
better & no prospect of any yet.
Crops are very small. There will
sustainly be a distressing time with
the Choctaws, the ensuing year. for
great many of them will not make
for other words, will not gather one bush
of corn - great many talk of mov-
ing to where they can get Provision
Cotton Crops, will not make any
thing - I never before witness such
times in the Nation, we will make
plenty to do us, about a usual
Crop of Corn, Ashley is very
short this year. Corn is offering for
two Dollars a bush, which is pretty
dear you know. I hope Providence will

I presume you have heard of the death of Guramny Harris which was almost fatal to his wife and children - they take it very hard. It is enough to make any one feel for those poor little fatherless children. I went down to see them a few days after he was killed - they were all in great trouble. Peter I know you would (or at least) have a desire to know how it happened. But it is ought of my power to tell you any reliable tale. I have heard several different tales. So I cannot tell you at first instantly how it died, hapen, or who was indirectly or Equally the cause. But I presume it originates in women's talk - which you know is a failing with the great many of the women in this neighborhood. And for Peter he is looking ought for self interest - exactly what all of us would, it is in his place. I feel sincerley sorry for both parties, but cannot say a word in behalf of either, also.

John Green was killed a few days ago - at a Ballplay over Little River - he was at a dance after night & I presume was drinking & laid down & went to sleep. & while asleep - a boy rather took a pessell & killed him asleep - and to amend the matter he killed himself.

After Gen. Green has
sent him word he could not
live - I could mention to you
several other instances of murders
but I am not very well acquainted
with the persons - I really do not
know what our country will come to
at the strides they are making now
Dave; Hesters has a hand in
killing two more men lately a
white man & a man which will go
pretty hard with him. I have been
informed that the United States
Marines are at San Juan, & are
also at John Pityma - which will
make pretty squally times with the
Koules - or in other words (the Bulap)
The reward of one thousand Dollars
is offered for Giter Peter. & I expect
they will be willing to offer more
before they give him up - this will
go mighty against his safety - as
money will make men do almost
any thing. This is getting to be
spright & a bad sign for us to
live in - I am going back upon the
River pretty soon - I am very well
satisfied with the place I bought
Pa; bought a nother place the other
day it is almost going me - I
think he intends it for you, it is
a splendid tract of land and a splendid
situation for building - & talks of

getting Kitchens. Leftovers of
flour which is about six miles
from his place on the river. This
place is at the Ferry - he is going
to send Calvine & one of the boys
with the stock to this place - so
Peter dont be uneasy about getting
a place on the notable stream of
R-River - I will see that matter
attended to as its your request
My crop don very well - only the
Barn & Coorn destroyed it entirely
as there was not any person there
at time - so I will try and be
better prepared to meet all such
visitors next summer. if nothing hapens
as I am very fond of both my
Corn was splendor. the best in the
neighbourhood. Do - Peter

I believe I have told you
all the news that I thought
would tend to interest you.
untill you write me a letter
& then I will have something new
for you I hope - when you do
write - let me have as long a word
if not longer than this. Peter you
must excuse my bad writing, as I am
weak and nervous at this time
but not sick. (understand me)
So I will end by saying once this
soon, as I remain your. 13th John