

Skullyville County, Choctaw

Nation, June 27, 1865

Col. P. P. Pitchlynn

Dear sir

your favor of the 18th is to hand. I am truly glad to hear from you. I am glad to see and hear peace is coming once more in our distracted land. I hope we all will meet friendly once again & be at peace, I staid at home as long as I could. The united states troops came into the Nation and found me at home and give me protection. and moved my self and nabons near fort Smith where I am know. Their is no doubt on the united states side. I want to be friendly with all man. while I live on earth and die the same. They have bin a graddle of wood cord wood chopt in the nation I surpose 3000 cords. Saw logs a grat many the number I do not no. cattle driven out by the government and sitesins I surpos 3000 heads) Col. If I could see you I could tell you better then I can writ I hope I shall see you soon then we can talk a bout old times you must excus my bad hand writing. and languag. you must

on the receipts of you must
write me and we know all
the news

See, leave me as ever your
Friend.

Jeremiah Ward, Sheriff

Skully Hill County

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