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Sr Bro

Yours of 31 and 27 Feb
Came to hand last morn. I am truly glad
that the Treaty is now Ratified, it will
do some good, in a pecuniary affairs
and may be some benefit to my Children
as for my self I do not have any idea
of receiving much from it. I am
told that my old hill fence all over
is now hotter than ever, and that the
Mustals will be a long after me, I
am now looking for them every day
my mind is made up never to surren-
der, I will dy before I do, and if the
attempt is made ~~on me~~, and I should
not yet killed, I then will leave
this Nation never to return, I will
go and join some Fillobusters, Walkes
Company, My health is bad I am now
in worse health than I have bin
for a long time, I was down at
Mountain Fork the first of the month.
all was well, Peter and Lon Garland
Came up with I and John they
left here this morning for home

and sayed that they would be back
at the Circuit Court, they behaved
them selves like men, and sent
John had a trial yesterday at the
County Court, and was sent to
the Circuit Court, give bond and
Security for his appearance,
evry thing went off friendly and
peaceable, he has the best chance
in the world now to get clear
I expect all the boys will be up
at his trial, I know that he is
cleared by the treaty but I was
determin to let them know that we
want nothing but the fair thing
you advise me to see out to the
best advantage and move
I have all ready I susposed
several places, I will not see
out unless I get the worth of
my place, my health is bad
and am not able to move
and here if I am not disturbed
by the damned U.S. officers I will
live and be buried, I am just able
now to commene living, and fixing my
self for comfort, and if I should be

able to get pay for moving my
self, it will set me straight and out
of debt, owing to making a bad
crop last year, will run me here
this year, off let a lone and life last
So all I ask in this wide world
I have all ways senack for my self
and expect nothing else as long
as I am a live, give my respects
to Pickens, Campson, and Gambell &c

Your Serv

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