

Andrew Jackson to Martin Van Buren

Franklin Tennessee
august 12th. 1830—

My Dr. Sir

Being here on a visit to Major Eaton & to make arrangements for the meeting with the chiefs of the choctaw & chikisaw nations, which we are advised (not officially), will be here on the 20th. instant I have recd yours of the 25th ult and hasten to apprise you of it—

I have wrote you but seldom since I have been here, the reason was I had nothing worthy to communicate, nothing very interesting in any way. I have a sanguine hope that we will be able to get the choctaw & chikisaw chiefs here, & if they come, we will make the necessary arrangements for their removal—so soon as this is done, or we are advised they will not meet us, I will set out for the city. Major Eaton & Major Donelson will leaving the Ladies with their aged mothers to console them under affliction and bereavements, for a while.

I have noted your opinion of our judges—I hope as to Baldwin your information is incorrect—his pledges have been of such a nature, that he must be a man of deep duplicity if you are well informed. From the late contest in Kentucky it is evident Clay has lost & not gained strength in Ky. With all the aid that they *judges could give him*, my opinion is, Clay will never be sustained in ohio Ky. again—he never can be, unless Pennsylvania or Newyork could be brought to take him up, then he might hope for success in ohio & Ky. & unite other states in his favour—

When I receive official information from the Indian chiefs I will again write you. I have much to say to you, which I shall pospone until we meet. I hope to be in the city about 20th. or 25th. Septbr. will expect to meet you there.

Major Eaton & his lady are in good health & joins in kind salutations to you Major Donelson & the ladies are at home with my prayers for your health & happiness for the present adieu—

Andrew Jackson

Govr Carrol has got home in good health & speaks in high praise of you

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