

Colo Return J. Meyer

Agent of war -

Captain Sparks West Point

James Chasolms
Letter recd. 5th July
not dated

Dear Sir I Received your letter informing of me that some body had made a complaint against me for that complaint is false as there is know suite ^{me} fetchend against as I know you in the world if there had I am shure the Sheriff would have served the Pitt or a tried to Dowsell as I saw him before I went into the nation and since I returned my place of Residence is in one mile of Telecow Blockhouse I am know there ready to settle with any man that I ow and abide by the Laws of my cuntry as I never fled to the cherokee nation to avoide the Laws of my cuntry nothing but buisness of importance to me cried me there - Sir have I just returned from the Shole a seeing Doublehead about my Negrow I demanded him of him as you told me to do and tendered the money in the presence of John Walker and white man named Rufus Walbrige I have had him before Mage Lovley and he took his deposition about the walther I can have him taken again

the reason that Double Head said he would
not give up the negro for was that he ¹⁰¹⁷
had bought him from Igboholm if
he did buy him from him he knew he was
none of his property and that he had
no right to sell him he has that for an
excuse and many others but I was told
there that he said if had not a purchased
him he would have given him up to me if had
I came and paid the money which he claimed
on me I intend to apply to you get pay
for my negro Double Head will be up
soon and there is know doubt but he tell
you a verrey fine story I wish you talk
to him about itt if I apply my self
I will sell the negro to some body that
will apply. I informed Mager Louely of
some talk that I heard that Cornal Hawkins
and the cherokees had I dont no as to the certainty
of itt and some other talker about the Road
as I thought itt was my duty to let you
know itt through Mager Louely. I am also
informed since I came home that my negro
has ran away a tring to come to me and itt is
supposed will come by the point if he dose I
wish you to take him as fast as you can and keep him till
I come or send for him Double Head will after him I hope
you will not let him take him away Igboholm

I'm always ready to answer for any
thing that I may do in the Cherokee nation
and ready to obey your orders and am also
ready to submit to laws of my country and
to any Justice that I may owe - nothing more
but remains Ubel Servant

Y^r Obedient Servant
Jas Holmes