

Andrew Jackson to Willie Blount, April 18, 1814, from Correspondence of Andrew Jackson. Edited by John Spencer Bassett.

TO WILLIE BLOUNT.1

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“ Camp at the Junction of the cosee and Tallipoosee ” April 18, 1814.

Sir . I am happy to inform you that the campaign is, at length drawing to a prosperous close. We have scoured the cosee and the Tallipoosee, and the intervening country. A part of the enemy on the latter river made their escape across it, just before our arrival, and are flying in consternation towards Pensicola. Many of those on the cosee, and from the neighbouring country, have come in and surrendered unconditionally; and others are on the way and hourly arriving to submit in the same way. We will overtake those who fled, and make them sensible that there is no more safety in flight than in resistance. They must supplicate peace if they would enjoy it. Many of the negroes who were taken at Ft. Mimms have been delivered up; and one white woman (Polly Jones) with her three children. They will be properly taken care of. The Tallisee King has been arrested, and is here in confinement. The Fooshatchee King of the Hickory ground tribe, has delivered himself up. Weatherford² has been with me and I did not confine him. He will be with me again in a few days. Peter McQueen was taken, but escaped. He must be taken again. Hilleshagee their great prophet, has absconded, but he will be found. These were the instigators of the war, and such is their situation.

² William Weatherford, a half-breed Creek leader of the hostiles. Hillis Hadjo was otherwise known as Francis.

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The advance of the Eastern division formed a junction with me at Hathlewaulee, and accompanied me down the Tallipoosee: The balance now at Ft. Decatur, opposite Tuccabatchee, will arrive in a few days, except what will be left for the retention of the post. Major Genl. Pinckney will join the army at this place, tomorrow or next day. The business of the campaign will not, I presume, require that I or my troops remain much longer. Genl. Pinckney, and Col. Hawkins, who is now with me, have been appointed to make the treaty.

I am Sir very respectfully yr. mo ob. servt.