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Maj Genl Thomas

Dear Sir

I am informed by Mr Bennet that lives in the neighborhood of Col Anderson old place in Sequachie Valley that Peter Brown John Johnson James Smith and two or three other men dressed in federal uniform and call themselves independent scouts are in that neighborhood stealing from and robbing the citizens. The citizens are very much annoyed that they be brought to account for their conduct

Most Respectfully
Your Ob Servt

Wm Clift.
Col of the Late
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To Maj
General Thomas

Mtd the 18th 1864

A few lines to Gen. Thomas at Chattanooga Consearning the dammage on Lo. R. Johnsons Farme on the 17th of this instant by the Command of Lieutenant Tolbert 2d Reny. Brigad so as I can not Possepal make a crop without my fence I am verry old & not able to make Rails my little Grand Children Can make C Corn if we was let lone I have no money to here no body make Rails I told the Lutenant that I would furnish him with Axes to Cut the wood with if he would not Burn my Rails & he said he would Burn the Rails so Concluded I would let you know about it some time Back I Wrote to you Conserning seed Oats & you Returned the answer like a Gentleman to go to Tyners station which I acordingly did & soad them whether I Reap I no not he gave me no Showing for the ~~dar~~ Damage went off so to Chattanooga with about one Hundre ~~Broke~~ Broake aaue Horses he will be there to day give me a few Lines if you please by Corier there stand is Kept at my House so I Remane yourse Obedient Servent

Lo. R. Johnson