

Annalsdale Nelson County M^{ch} 30th 1867

Dear Sir,

My old Friend Mr Summers of Fairfax calling on me to let me know he is on his way in. have set down to write you, tho did it so lately that but very few Occurrences have since turned up, the principal ones I think are the Violent Ravages and inroads the Indians are at present making on us. Scarcely a day passes but we have accounts of Mischief com by them in some part of our Settlements. Our Friend Capt. Abram Hite was on Saturday Week fired on by four Indians near his own House. two of the shot took place. one ball went thro the fleshy part of his thigh, the other entered his Hip, and lodged but has been since extracted, his case is supposed doubtful but hope he may recover. Our unhappy acquaintance Maj^r Charles West went to sleep in his chair at the Falls some time ago, & could never be wakened, tho his hardened & incorrigible companions attempted it by holding a glass of grog before him — he was but a little while after

Mag. Wals who went off at the same place and nearly
in the same way.

We are wholly engrossed here by
the Idea of a Separation, nothing else thought of
nor any other Object attended to. The terms held out
to us by the Assembly are thought reasonable and
have no doubt will be accepted, thus are we running
blindly into a measure that will prove the ruin
of the District, to gratify the interested views of
a few designing miscreants, who instead of profits
of Hon. & profit merit nothing from their deluded
Yellow citizens but infamy and a halter.

Mr. William Coston was a few days past married
at the Falls, to whom I cant inform you, tho have
been told the name. My Brothers Family except
some of his Negroes enjoy health, mine is more
healthy at present than they have been since
the commencement of the fatal Fever in it, which
has rendered me so unhappy, that you, my Sister &
the Family may enjoy perfect health & Happiness
is the ardent prayer of V. Obedt Hble Serv.
Cuthb Harrison

Mr. Adam Shepherd informed me yesterday
that a Negro he had in care of V. Harrison
was lately dead of a Consumption

Edw. Lewis Powell

Loudoun County
Virginia.

Genl. Wm. M. Sumner

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