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Dear Brother I have had the pleasure of receiving your letter which is great satisfaction to us we would have been in to have seen you long ago if we had of knew you had of been in Macoqueson but we dare not to believe what we hear for if were to listen to half the tales that we hear we would ~~afraid~~ in an unhappy situation for we have heard that we must all be killed right or wrong both by white and red our brother Shawnees have given me great charge not to travel the road for fear being waylaid and killed also has been stated

[illegible] Indians [illegible] and hanged and was be put to death because he was riting and said to be our friends therefore he was no better than us but Dear Brother I will not bother your head with this altho I was afraid that thier might be some ~~tho~~ trough in it but hoping that we will all have an opportunity of convering face to face with you which the conversation will be of some length so we will ~~close~~ it to day expecting to have the honor of us all meeting to converse with you a few years — over

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From
N Bowles Indian Chief
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To
Gen. Houston