

Pine Level June 3rd 1812

Col. James Callee

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has been received at this place of
somewhat alarming nature of
these lines. Mr. Carnes from up
Baptist creek gave information
that on this morning there were
Several Indians, ^{armed} seen near Micajah
Benjes fence whom when discovered
ran off & concealed themselves
in cane break, which, has put
the adjacent inhabitants, in a
general state of alarm, some
have quit their residence & other
upon the verge of breaking up.
likewise there has been a family
killed in the nation & cart burnt

Therefore, Whereas you are commandment
in this County, the people look
for instruction. Shall our inhab-
itance ~~be~~ at this Season of
Year leave their delightfull crops
on which their Sustainance
depends; or shall the fly & give
ground to the Savage foe.
Would it not be better, to Support
them, ~~at~~ their respective homes
to maintain our just rights &
prepare against evils that are
hovering around us
Your Council & company is
Solicited at this place as soon
possible.

I am with respect Cal.
Your Apt. Sot. &c
Benj. J. Butell

Benj. S. Bidelle
June 1812

Col. James Carter
Mr. Boy } Washington
 } Courthouse N.C.

Benj. Bidelle
to Col. Carter
May 1812

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Col. James Caller

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I am with respect Col.
Your Obt Svt.
Benj. J. Bedell