

Rec<sup>d</sup> July 17.

Gen Geo Gibson

Sir

The Cherokees travelling by land from the Eastern to the western Nation have preferred going by Nashville & Colson da

The propriety of examining that route & reporting its advantages to your Department was a few days since suggested to me by the Hon Secy of War

On my return to the Eastern nation this examination can be made with the loss of only three or four days. I therefore submit to your decision whether or not it would be most proper for me to go via Colson da with the view of collecting the information necessary to be had on the subject

(Most Respectfully

Your very Obedt Servt

Gen. Flournoy

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