

Letter From Hydesville.

HYDESVILLE, Dec. 12, 1859.

FRIEND WILEY.—The late investigation of Indian affairs in the Yager Creek country by the Volunteer Company under Capt. A. Liles, reveals the fact that the Indians are killing cattle all the time, and have been all the summer.

The Dix brothers started for Weaver with a herd of fat cattle on the first night of last week, and the first in the Bald Hills, one of their cattle was killed. The company under Capt. Liles and Lieut. Eli Davis, as soon as it was known, started in pursuit, and trailed the Indians around Yager Creek, to where the trail struck across for the head of Elk River, where they were compelled to abandon it. I suppose from what I learn that one hundred head would not cover the loss in the last two months. We want a volunteer company under State authority, to suppress those Indians. Most of the men that are now out, are young men who work by the month for their support, and they cannot spare their time. So far that class has done the fighting, and the citizens have been taxed some six or seven hundred dollars for their support. If there is nothing done the country will be deserted by the settlers. The present company will probably stay out until about Christmas, and then come in, when it will be next to impossible to get them to return for the most of them have but little interest in the county. Those most interested are compelled to stay at home with their families or to protect their stock.

Yours etc.

SETTLER.

