

**Andrew Jackson to [Maj.] Gilman, October 23, 1841,
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Hermitage, October 23, 1841.

Majr Gilman

Sir, Continued trespasses having been committed upon my inclosures for some months past to my great injury, my fences being thrown down and my stock let out and others let in; and lately I have discovered a number of my scaley bark Hickery trees cut down, its seems for the nuts. these trespasses are so injurious I cannot longer suffer them. I notified Fox hunters and all others that my fences were not to be pulled down or my inclosures entered, that I would inforce the law against all trespassers. Making enquiry for the trespasser, I am informed Sir, that you or your hands (by your orders) have cut down even my trees, and my Hog feeder informs me that he saw you with your negroes and waggon within my inclosure gathering nuts—had you only gathered the nuts and spared the trees, I could have more readily overlooked it, but to have my fences torn down and my valuable Hickory nut trees cut down which I have endeavored to protect by inclosing them is a thing I cannot suffer or overlook. I write you this note in a friendly way, that you may repair the damages without law, and refrain hereafter from similar trespasses upon my premises.

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