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REMEDY FOR AGUE

Detroit July 11th 1795

Dear Sir Your kind Letter dated the 11th of May last did not reach me untill a few days ago, we are all extremely Happy to learn that You and your good family are well and that your Improvements are so far advanced. We enjoy tolerable good health except Therese who has had the fever and ague for Some time Past. She is now however better.

This disorder is so common this season that very few escape it and what is worse tho the bark in large Quantities breaks the fit yet it always returns after a few weeks; what has been found More Effectual to many is a kind of straw-burly Leaf & root, with an Other Small Plant, a small handful of Each Boiled in about two Quarts of water & reduced a Third makes a decoction which may be drank at all times the Quantity of a Pint or half a Pint at a time, and has cured many Very soon and Lessed the fit in Others; M^{rs} Hamilton knows these herbs. She now returns and during her stay here has enjoyed very good Health.

There is a great Jumble of actions and opinions now here, the poor Indians are much at a Loss what to do many advising them to go to Fort Greenville to the Treaty and Others not, in general they have followed the former and the Chiefs of the Chippewas and Ottaways have been so Urgent with my Son to go with them as he understands their Language and Speaks English that he with my approbation is gone, my sole Motive for which was to Assist these poor people & if Possible to get them not to give up their right to their Lands, which in future will perhaps be the Only resource they may have against want when their alliances without [will not] be Sought Either by our neighbours or ourselves. I should hope the States may be prevailed on to Conclude a Peace with them without laying any Claim to