

to get a Tea Pot. We last Evg heard a great deal of News which it was said was conveyed through Charles to you & Mr Woods. I feel quite anxious to hear of him. I hope you recieved the Letters I returned I lost no time in Enclosing & sending them by Mr Smith. Nothing gives me greater pleasure than when I can hear from him. from you saying that he did not like that any body but yourself should read his Letters, I did not even allow Captain M^cKee to do so. We are still much distressed respecting the poor people who are missing, who left this for the vessel there are three from this House, James Blue Jacket Joseph Park & Billy Peck. poor L'esperance is also one of the unfortunate men. we have not heard a word today last Evg Doctor Richardson told me that Robert was gone toward Point au Ple with some other person. until he returns I will have some hopes. how many poor souls sent out of the world without answering any good end & their friends left in the greatest distress. Captain M^cKee suffers dreadfully with the Rheumatism in the Head, but otherwise much better.

It will afford you the great^est pleasure I am sure to hear that your Grandson takes the greatest delight in the Instructions that are given him. Doctor Simms is anxious to have a case of Mathematical Instruments for him. he will himself take proper care of them if you can lend them. he says that the globe being a little out of order is of no consequence. My Dear Father I wish you would do me a favor, which is If you should meet with a favorable opportunity of sending these things, with the Books you mentioned to have the goodness to do so. our Horses are not shod. the Harness was lent to James Blue Jacket as also our Sleigh & we have not a cariole, and if you could lend me a [illegible] Bunk that is if you should have one not in use, I should be very thankful. out of Nine or ten Bedsteads I cannot get one up they have been so shattered from moving during the war. Doctor Simms was quite pleased when Cap^t M^cKee told him last evg, that you was a famous hand at Algebra. this is the first Christmass for some years that has past without our seeing each other. I believe my Brothers are determined I shall not see them this year. I hope Brush is getting better. I pity poor Alice with my whole heart. I hope the children are well. Nelly promises