

Thanks for sending me your letters. In a day or two I will send the newspapers to you and to Mr. Lawe, and will also write you more fully. But I should be more glad to see you as soon as possible, for I have many things to tell you. You will try to send by express as soon as you can.

I think the Indians are very impatient to return to Mackinac. While I hope for the pleasure of seeing you very soon, accept my wishes for your health, and your family's.

I am, dear sir, your very humble servant,

R. DICKSON.

I have sent you several letters for McKinac and La Baye.
Lieut. Grignon, La Baye.

DICKSON TO LAWE

WINNEBAGO LAKE, March 20, 1814.

Dear Sir:—On the 17th inst., I perceived the flag waving on the lake—the omen of favorable news, and which far exceeded my most sanguine expectations. Nothing can be more glorious to our country than the late brilliant achievements, and will be attended with the most [happy] consequences. On the receipt of this, with Lt. Grignon, you will assemble the people and Indians to fire a salute, and to drink the King's health, the Prince Regent's and Sir George Prevost's. I have a great deal of private news independent of public, but I have been so pestered with Puants, Renards, etc., for these three days past, that it is out of my power to detail them at present. Mr. Dease, with three men, were left at the Village de Sauk, on the Ouisconsin, six days ago, on their way here. They are a set of bunglers—no snow-shoes nor provisions. I am afraid they are dead by this time. I send off to look for them to-day.

I have requested Mr. Grignon to endeavor to keep the Indians [from] going to Mackinack a day or two longer, to give the news from the Mississippi, in hopes of Mr. Dease's arrival. I will send you newspapers in a day or two. I have hardly looked at them yet. Mr. McGill died after an illness of only four days. I sincerely regret him. He was a worthy man. My brother William is arrived from captivity. He has had both his houses and furniture burnt, and