

do all the good you can for the deserving warriors, I hope you will both encourage them to keep their guns in such good order as will entitle them to the reward.

Lieut. Lawe will give you a copy of the General Order of the 31st October, 1814, whereby you will see that Lieut. Col. McDouall has the command and superintendence of us all.

No doubt McGulpin has informed you that the enemy were compelled to evacuate Fort Erie last Fall, so that the whole of Lower and Upper Canada, with the exception of Amherstburg, are freed from the American yoke. Mrs. Askin joins me in good wishes.

With my compliments to J. Porlier and P. Grignon, Esqs., wishing them joy on their appointments, I am, dear sir,

Yours most sincerely,

JNO. ASKIN, JR.

Lieut. Louis Grignon, Ind'n Dep't, Green Bay.

DUNCAN GRAHAM TO LAWE

PRAIRIE DU CHIEN, 14th March, 1815.

Dear Sir:—Although I have nothing new to communicate, I wish to profit by every opportunity going your way, merely to let you know how we pass our time in this desolate part of the world. I arrived from below the 23d of last month. There is nothing interesting from that quarter. There were five or six Missouri Indians with the Sauks when I was there, and had their share of the presents. They say that all the Indians on the river lower than the Mohawks¹ are in a plot together to strike on the Americans this Spring. There were likewise some of the Iowas who left the rest of that nation three days march from the Mississippi on their way to join the Sauks.

They report that Julien [Dubuque], with one of his sons, and three or four men, went up the Missouri last Fall to winter with them; but he was wretchedly supplied with goods. He told them that he was afraid they would all perish together; that the Americans had neither guns nor am-

¹ As there were no Mohawks on the Mississippi, probably reference was made to the Shawanoes, in the southeastern part of Missouri.—L. C. D.