

DICKSON TO LAWE.

WINEBAGO LAKE, Dec^r 25, 1813.

DEAR SIR,—I received yours by the Men with the Provisions. I have been eat up lately and as you say it is lucky the Ice would not allow the Beef coming up else it would have gone with the Rest.

Michelle Boyer has been here. I told him to see the Indians at Millwackee know that they can only expect Amunition & Tobacco from you. It would require a Ship load of Goods to cloathe them all.

I expect you and Mr. Grignon at all events in the last of the year. I shall return with you & we shall send off to Mackinac soon as possible. Mr. Pulman writes that some of the gentlemen are unwell & cannot come I am sorry for their misfortunes, but hope that they will recover.

I am most heartily tired of this distributing of Goods and wish for the Spring. I hear nothing but the cry of hunger from all Quarters. I think if we can come across an American Convoy of provisions, it will go hard but we shall take it. If you come up in a Cariole bring a few potatoes & a pec of Beef. The Otoways stole the Quarter of Pork I got from Mr. Chevalier¹ & my Larder is not well stocked at present. My respects to Mr. Pulman he is to come up with you. I am glad that you take care of him. Not a Sturgeon yet but live in hopes.

I had letters from the Prairie three days ago. All quiet there the Saukes have all quitted the Americans. An Envoy from the Spaniards, I believe Mr. Henry, has been among them. I tell them to strike on the Americans & Both the Spaniards & English will support them. Inform Mr. Grignon of this news as I do not write him please give my respects & say that I shall be glad to see him with you, with the Compliments of Season. Accept of my sincere wish for your health & that of your Family.

I remain Dear Sir Yours truly,

R. DICKSON.

P. S. Remember me to Mr Jacobs. I expect him with you if not sick.

Lieut. John Lawe.

¹ Barthelemie Chevalier, a south-side settler at Green Bay.— Ed.