

Copy of one of my Montreal Letters for Messrs McGill &c please look for it and send it me.

I trust that the Express for Mackinac is off, as there is every appearance of fine weather. I have very little flour I am obliged to keep the Indians from Starving, no fish. If Beaupre is alive Five days hence it will be a wonder. I look on him & Men all ready for the other World. I can not assist them, as we have nothing ourselves. Please get Mascas wheat made into flour that is to be sent here what I have is hardly eatable being quite Black. Write me by any opportunity.

I am Dear Sir Yours Truly,

R. DICKSON.

Lt. John Lawe.

DICKSON TO LAWE.

WINIBAGOE LAKE 20th Jan^y 1814.

DEAR SIR,—I received yours by Dabin yesterday with the copy of the letter I had forgot.

This will be handed to you by Thomas¹ who I sent to La Baye with some of his people that they may get some provisions, they are in a starving condition here. They are on the Lake from Morning till Night but spear little or nothing. Please furnish them with Ten Bushells of Wheat, & procure for them a Cow, Ox or Bull. I only mentioned the Wheat so if you can find an Animal let them have it. Since my arrival from La Baye I have consumed almost all the provisions. There was only a little of the Flour Black it was when Jean Veau was here. White or Black you must contrive to get me a little, hunger is not nice respecting the quality. No News as yet from the Prairie. I am getting impatient. I always dread some Roguery in that Quarter. I am pleased you got the Express off in the time you did, as they have had good weather. I think by this time that they are near Mackinac.

Beaupré was here with Alexis on the 18th he will live some time longer as he has received some provisions. I

¹ Thomas Carron, or Old Tomah.— ED.