Please send by my men One bag of Flour if ground. I am out of that Article almost, about 25<sup>1bs</sup> remaining. Try if possible to procure some bushells of Pease from Mr. Grignon or Mr. Lanchevine. I have not five days provisions for our men if you get provisions forward them in a Sleigh. Mr. Buckatte will be soon with us he is more trouble than the Embargo. Give Mr. Pulman Sergt. Roy's letter & beg of him to send an Order constituting him Sergeant from his having this.

Two Sauk Indians are here. I wish Thomas should see them before their departure. At least One half of the Sauks are below with the Americans—although the people of the prairie tell me they are all above.

I am sorry that I forwarded any letters from Mackinac to the prairie, as Mr. Barthe 2 says flour will be worth fifteen Dollars in the Spring to Mr. Rollette. Government is at a great expense in supporting individuals and the Trade & it appears that some so far from promoting the interest of the Government when in their power throw obstacles in its way.

If God spares my life untill Spring I shall do my duty rigidly without respect to persons. I shall forward no more private letters unless open. May you be prosperous & happy—

I remain, Dear Sir, Yours truly,

R. Dickson.

Lieut. John Lawe.

## DICKSON TO LAWE.

[No date, but apparently written in January, 1814.]

Memorandums — To send by Lieut. Pullman to Mackinac One Ox-fat.

Thirty Five Barrels Flour.

Lt. Chandonnet & Mr. Thierry to go to the Manistique with Mr. Pulman, two men for them—to collect sturgeon.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Langevin, husband of Domitilde, daughter of the elder Langlade.— Ed.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Louison Berthe, interpreter.— ED.