a Complaint in his Stomach I will thank you to send me by Mr. [Aeneas] La Rose some Friars Balsam or Turtington Peruvian bark & some of the Bitters Mr. Franks used. he has been very ill.

I am sorry to distress you by sending so many men to you but necessity has no law—I must have provisions nolens volens.

The Indians have speared only One Sturgeon these Six days past. I wait for the return of the Express from Mackinac before I send to the prairie, thank heaven provisions are to be had there—All I have left at present is 8 handfulls foll avoin—10<sup>lbs</sup> Flour—2 Shanks Deers legs three frozen Cabbages & a few potatoes. The Sauks swept every thing I had & I was obliged to feed them with Sugar.

I hope that the Express will arrive in a few days & bring us good news. I think we shall do some thing this Campaign. We shall have powerfull reinforcements from England. The Spaniards have landed in the Floridas a great force & the British have declared all the southern states to be blockaded so that Neutrals cannot get into any of their ports—Never did War rage as it does at present, the World seems convulsed, thank providence Our Country is still preheminent & will I trust continue so. Compts to all friends.

With best wishes for your health & your family,

I remain, D' Sir, Yours truly,

R. Dickson.

Lt. John Lawe.

## DICKSON TO LAWE.

WINEBAGOE LAKE Feby 6 1814.

DEAR SIR,—I received yours of the 6th Inst. and am happy to have received a supply of Provisions it was high time as I had nothing remaining.

I have sent back all the Bags as you wished and I have arranged with Masca & Mr. Lanchevin to bring up the remainder of his wheat as I shall want it all, when the Soldiers come up to assist in going to the Portage when the river is navigable. I have also purchased a young heifer