

Cargo were immediately taken possession of by the Enemy, and our furs and peltries became forever lost to myself and partner.

The dreadful affair that happened to the troops at Chicago in Aug. 1812 occasioned another loss of property to myself and partner. As I before observed, I was brought down a prisoner by a certain Capt. Craig, and between Craig's men and the Indians our loss of property was again very great, and I have now before Congress a petition for loss of property sustained at Chicago and Peoria hoping I will be able to recover something for my creditors, but alas, it will fall short of being sufficient for that purpose, owing to the total loss of our furs and peltries at the post of Mackinaw.

Thus Sir, you are made acquainted with the risks I have run, the sufferings and losses that I have experienced during the late war, and I hope you are already acquainted with my capacity as an Indian Agent and integrity for the good of my country. I am also happy to say, that I have the friendship of the principal inhabitants of the country where I live who can vouch for the truths of the above statements; hoping from the within statements of facts and recommendations from people high in office in the country where I am well known, I would respectfully ask that my salary as an Indian Agent may be augmented to that of a full Agent's salary with the usual privileges, &c., &c.

Your answer when convenient will be gratefully acknowledged.