

price. I do not like your charging 5. and 6. dollars, a pound for your powder, it does not look well. Such an exorbitant demand will stagger the confidence of Government, and will make it be believed that your wish is to impose and extort. How can you with any face, look to Government for indemnification for your losses, when such a glaring evidence of your disposition to impose upon it will appear against you. I know that the powder did not cost you more than 2. Dollars and a half at Mackinac, and you ought to be satisfied to receive four Dollars a pound for it. Of this I will venture to assure you, that such as appears to me to have a disposition to take advantage of, or impose upon the Government, in this dangerous crisis, will experience very little of its bounty or favour. It rests entirely with yourselves, by divesting your minds of all sordid considerations when the fate of your country is pending, prove yourselves worthy of belonging to the first, and greatest nation upon the earth.

Green Bay, March, 7th. 1815.

A. BULGER, Capt'n
Commanding.

TO M'DOUALL.

GREEN BAY 10th March, 1815.

SIR,—Several objects of great importance to the public service have called me to this place, one of which was to make arrangements for assembling and subsisting the Indians destined for Mackinac, but the principal object of my journey was to obtain a supply of Gunpowder for the defence of Fort McKay, having dispaired of receiving a timely supply from you. I had in the early part of the winter sent directions to Lieut Lawe, (whose zeal and attention to my orders I cannot sufficiently commend,) to ascertain the quantity of ammunition in possession of the Traders with a view of borrowing or purchasing it for use of Government, and finding afterwards that they were disposed to take advantage of the times, and exact a most