

may perhaps furnish the Gov't of the U. States with a pretence to exact that vengeance, which they are so apt to indulge against them.

I believe there is little doubt that we cede this Island & there can be none, that your Garrison will be withdrawn. You may very soon look forward to that event. The Indians should be told, that we occupied Fort McKay while the war lasted, for their defence, but that since peace was concluded, it was no longer necessary, besides a proof, on our part, that we had no improper designs upon *their Country*. I doubt not, but on this occasion you will exhibit your usual address and good management.

The Flank Company's of the 37th have already taken possession of Amherstburg. Our great expedition to New Orleans failed with great loss. & Sir Geo. Provost & Sir James Yeo gone home. Genl Drummond a Knight of the Bath, & said to be the new Governor General, which I am most happy to hear. Commodore Owens Commands on the Lakes. Worsley goes down by Detroit, to the Chippewa to take him on board for the purpose of exploring the Lakes, new boundarys &c. We shall of course see him here. Most of the Fleet at Kingston, already paid off. I forward you a keg of salt—a keg of Rum for immediate use, to which allow me to add a small quantity of tea, in case you are short of that article.

The Indians with the Dispatches it is thought will not be here this six or seven days. On my becoming acquainted with the arrangements made, I shall forward to Green Bay, such supplies of Provisions, as will enable you to bring in the Garrison of Fort McKay.

Believe me to be

My Dear Bulger,

Very truly Your

RT. MCDOUALL, Lt. Col.

I send you the few Papers I received by the schooner & also some letters, both of which will no doubt be very acceptable.

*Captain Bulger, &c. &c. &c.*