

TO BENTON.

MUNNOMONEE,  
GREEN BAY, Township,  
Dec. 20th, 1825.

SIR,—In your letter dated in March last, you suggest the propriety of submitting new Petitions by the Inhabitants of this region to Congress at its present session, upon the subject of a new Territory. I stated to the people the views which were entertained by you upon their case, for which they appeared to be very grateful, but they seemed to think that they could urge nothing more in support of their prayer. Of the Counter Memorial which we are informed was sent by the Legislative Council, we know but little, as it was never *published*, and all our attempts to obtain copies have proved ineffectual. We are therefore, from these singular circumstances, prevented from refuting what may have been alledged in that still more singular production. I may also add that the active exertions which have been, and are still, made by the Inhabitants of the Peninsula, against our Petitions, have greatly *disheartened* many in this quarter. They think the truth against such means can have no effect; especially as we cannot expect the aid of the delegate from Michigan.

Permit me to state further upon this subject, that the late Legislature adjourned twice during its term to meet upon days which they knew would exclude the member from this district: That at those sessions they adopted the memorial above alluded to; and by an act, divided the Territory into several districts, to which they apportioned the members of the Council, and by that apportionment gave to some districts on the Peninsula which do not contain *one half* of the number of Inhabitants that this does, *two* members, while to this they gave but *one*.

That we are so far removed from the seat of Government of the Territory, that we do not *at this day* know who is elected our Delegate to Congress; and the laws which were passed by the Council in Jany. March & April last,