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Santa Fee (New Mexico)

7th February 1826

To Mr. B. H. Reeves

Thomas Mather

Commissioners and

Gentlemen,

I have drawn orders on you today, in favor Mr. Boggs and Dempsey for three of our wagons that are now in Missouri, including the ____ that belongs to them. I hope the wagons may not have been sold before the presentation of these orders, because I think I have sold them well, having received for them nine good mules, that will be worth to us not less than \$40 a piece in Missouri.

I do not suppose it will be necessary for you to bring out more than <u>two</u> wagons with you; and I think it will be advisable to bring <u>two</u>. As I have not said to Boggs and Dempsey, <u>which</u> of the five wagons they are to have; it may probably be well for you to reserve the two numbered <u>4</u> and <u>6</u>.

It is probable that I may sell the ____ here, as it is somewhat the worse for wear. Then we shall have three remaining, which I am fully persuaded will be necessary to complete our work, and I do not think we need keep any more. It is understood that Boggs and Dempsey are to take the wagons as they find them. We are to be of no expense for repairs, unless in a case where a wagon has been very materially injured by running away or upsetting. In short, they are to receive them without any allowance, for wear and tear, commonly so called.

I am respectfully,

Yr. Mst. Obt. Svt.

G. C. Sibley