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Letter from Benjamin Reeves, George Sibley, Thomas Mather to Peter Hagner, June 17, 1831

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St. Charles, Missouri, June 17th 1831

To Peter Hagen Esq.

3rd Aud. Tresry. Dept.

Washington City

Sir,

Your letter of the 20th April last having been only recd. Incidentally at our representative places of residence, has been as promptly attended to as the nature of circumstances would permit. With the view of rearranging the acts. Of our disbursements under the act of Congress that authorized the President to course a road to be marked out to N. Mexico. We have this day met together at this place, and after a careful examination of the subject with the aid of the books and papers in our possession that relates to it, we have been led to the following conclusion which we lay have to submit to you.

In order to state our acts. So as to conform as nearly as possible to your requisition, we deem it important that that all thou statements that have heretofore been suspended to the Engineer & Indian offices, and a file of sixty vouchers that were forwarded by mail to Mr. Anditon Lee in January or Feby. 1829 should be previously returned to us. In other words we desire to withdraw the whole if our papers from the offices, that have any relation to our Accounts.

As soon after the receipt of those papers as we can possibly effect it, such statements (supported by vouchers & other good proofs) shall be forwarded to you, as will be sufficient we have good reason to believe, to remove every difficulty that exists in effecting the adjustment and final statement of our accounts.

And as we are extremely anxious to close this business, which we have been urging from time to time since Novembr. 1827, we must ask the favor of you Sir, to cause the papers herein requested, to be forwarded to us with as little delay as possible, directed to Mr. Sibley at this place.

And we have the honor to remain

Sir, very respectfully

Yr. mo. Obt. Svt.

B. H. reeves

G. C. Sibley

Thomas Mather

Late Cominrs. For surveying and marking out a road to N. Mex:

Answr. Redd. From Mr. Hagner to the above on the 19th July 1831

Treasury Dept. 3rd Auditor's office

July 5th 1831

Gentlemen

I have recd. Your letter of the 19th Ult. And that part of it which relates to the 2nd Aud. I have referred to him. As regards the papers in this office relating to your accounts I send you a copy of the statement refund to them this office by the Engineer dept. which constitutes the only original on file here in relation to your expenditures The original Act. Is retained on file according to the ways of this office.

Respectfully

Yr. Obt. Svt.

Signed Peter Hagen Aud.

Messrs. B. H. Reeves}

G. C. Sibley}

Tho. Mather}

To the case of G. C. Sibley}

At St. Charles}

Missouri}

Original sent to Col. Reeves __ 24th July