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Letter from George Sibley, Benjamin Reeves, & Thomas Mather to Peter Hagner, April 20, 1833

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To

Peter Hagner Esqr

3rd Audr. Treasy. Dept.

Sir,

Having been advised from the Dept. of War and by Gen. Ashley, early in March that Congress procured at its late Session for the payment of the balance due to the late Comsnrs. on the Road to New Mexico, and that the subject had been referred by authority to your office, that late Comsnrs. Have been expecting for more than a month past to have from you. and satisfied as we are that this disappointment is owing to no neglect or omission on your part, but that it must be attributed to the uncertainty of the mails, now so universally complained of, we deems it necessary now to appraise you of the fact, that no communication whatever has yet been 'received from you, by them, or either of them; and they would suggest the propriety of duplicates being sent in order to guard in some degree against the irregularity & want of safety of the mails.

We are not aware that there remains undecided or unexplained any question upon which the final settlement of our Act. Ought to be any longer delayed and __ allow ourselves to entertain the expectation that the Account appropriated [lines taped over] with the cautionary certificate of our discharge.

With great respect

I remain Sir

Yr. obt. Svt.

(signed) G. C. Sibley

Ben H. Reeves

Thos. Mather

State Comsnrs. Etc.

P. S. Direct to me at

St. Charles

Missouri

I have this very moment recd. a Ir. from Gen Gratiot, dated the 12th inst. in which he says you informed him that you had (some time previously), written to me. I repeat sir, no comsr. For you has yet reached me or either of us, an it is not probable that the one alluded to by Gen: ever will come to hand.

Yr etc G. C. Sibley