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Letter from Benjamin Reeves to George Sibley, December 29, 1826

Benjamin H. Reeves Fayette, Missouri

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ALS B.H. Reeves, Fayette

To: George C. Sibley

Der sir,

Since writing to you on the 24th just. I recd. Your favour of the 20th from St. Charles. It arrived on Tuesday but did not come to my hands until about 12 o'clock on yesterday. I immediately dispatched a special messenger to Reynolds to Franklin with a note to Mr. Gunnegle but as yet have not learnt whether he has left that place or not.

I have just met with Mr. Ransom, the partner of Mr. Simpson who leaves this place early in the morning for St. Louis, by him there will be forwarded to Messrs. Tracey and Wahrendorff all the light funds which can be had at this moment amounting to about \$2,600 I say about this sum, but not but less which I hope will answer your present purposes. Mr. Simpson assures me the balance in his hands will be in reading when required, of which I have no doubt.

It will be ___ for me to give you at this time the amt. or even the kind of articles yet on hand. Col. Mather deposited with Mr. Samuel in Franklin the whole of them on our return & what amt. he has sold I am unable to say but I presume a very small amount. All that I have in my hands is the wagon etc. which you forwarded to me & some packsaddles, sacks, ropes, etc. etc. My account of expenditures Col. M. drew off is among the papers I left with you & him which was the amount of my disbursements up to the 1st just with the exception of the number of days which I was employed amounting to about 440. I give you this number as probable number of days. Without having reference to my memo & andum[?] which I have not with me in town. I am compelled to write you most hastily as I will not have it in my power to see Mr. Samson before he sets out.

I will write to you again by mail. With much esteem

Yrs. Truly

G.C. Sibley esqr. B. H. Reeves