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Letter from Benjamin Reeves to George Sibley, May 2, 1829

Benjamin H. Reeves

Fayette, Missouri

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Fayette Mo. May 2. 1829

Dr. Sir

Monied matters at this time is beyond my control. And however anxious I might be to contribute to your ___ without the sale of property I am entirely unable to do so. From Mr. Bates' opinion, you think it probable if not certain, next winter the appropriation will be made. I regret this delay & would with ___ as a friend would counteract the inconvenience it occasions you if I could But from causes now beyond my control \$5000 would not be more beyond my reach than \$500 would. Unless by the sale of property. Which at this time I do not know that I could effect at any fair price.

Mrss. Meyers Tracy & Wahrendorff I have no personal acquaintance a draft on them would be unavailing unless I could give them certain assurances of a speedy reimbursement.

With Respect

Yrs. Sincerely B. H. Reeves

G. C. Sibley Esqr.