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G. C. Sibley Linden-Wood near St. Charles. December 28, 1830

Hon. David Todd Franklin, Mo.

Dear Sir.

I wish to obtain from Some persons of Respectability who know the premises, an opinion of the fair Value of my property in Jackson County in this State= I mean the Tract of 640 Acres of Land, which embraces the Fountain Cottage farm (my late residence) and the old Military Scite of Ft. Osage.

The Survey lies in the fractional Sections 34 and 35 Range 30, Township 57, is bounded by the Missouri River on one Side, & embraces an ample portion of the beautiful & fertile upland adjacent.

You will much oblige me by giving me your opinion, as early as it may be convent. of the value of the Land above described, taking into consideration, and including in your estimate, the improvements thereon=

It is proper to State, that I am about offering the above property to the Government of The U. S. in payment of a Debt that I am held liable for as Security; and I am desirous of accompanying my offer with the opinion of impartial Men as to its Value.

very Respectfully Sir

Yr. Mo. Obt. Svt.

G. C. Sibley

To The Hon. David Todd Franklin, Mo.

P.S. Mrs. Sibley desires me to cause her affectionate regards to be presented to your good Lady & family, and you will be pleased to offer my very best Respects also- We wish you"Merry Christmas".

Yrs. G.C.S.

Also write as above to Jas. Aull, Esq. of Lexington, A. Leonard of Fayette, Col. Jno. Thornton Jefferson City, Gen. Leavenworth U. S. A. Wm. Russell, St. Louis- & others.

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