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Letter from Benjamin Reeves to George Sibley, August 25, 1831

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G. C. Sibley Esqr
St. Charles
Missouri

B. F. Reeves
Fayette, Mo. Augt 25, 1831

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Dr Sir

No doubt but what you think me tardy in my movements, in procureing & forwarding vouchers of our business. I have experienced no little difficulty in this matter Was I to say to you that I had rode not less than 500 miles in procureing what I had got, I perhaps would not exagorate. Stephen Cooper lives I believe in Marion County. He passd thro this county some weeks ago on an exploring tour to the Arkansas teritory. A few days ago He passd on home. I used every effort in my power with some of his relations to get to see him on his return but still I faild to see him. He will have to be written to. Mr. Giles Samuel is absent & has been for months. I cannot learn when he will return. I can learn nothing from his clerk in relation to that matter. Andrew Carson is now at St Fee & is not expected to return before the last of October.

I Have procured many little vouchers, & will forward them to you the first safe conveyance, they will be too bulky to send by mail if it can be avoided. I have some hope that Mr Lenonard, will in a short time go to St Louis, & if so I will forward them by him. I have a hope that I will be able to procure one or two more receipts.

Yesterday I returnd from Randolph in haveing Bird Pyles receipt witnessed.

My family has been much afflicted this Season, Tho please present my best Respects to Mrs. Sibley & believe me to be

With much esteem

Yrs Most Sincerely

G. C. Sibley esqr

B H. Reeves