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**Letter from Thomas McKenney to George Sibley, et al, June 18,
1816**

Thomas McKenney

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Indian Office
June 18th 1810.

To J. W. Johnson, P. du Chien
G. C. Sibley, Osage
G. S. Gaines, Choctaw
J. Rawlings, Jr. C. Bluffs
T. M. Simard, Natchitoches
M. Irwin, Green Bay
J. B. Varnum, & Chicago
D. Hughes, Esq., Fr. Hawkins

Sir

It is desirable that all the information which it may be in your power to furnish, be given to me, from time to time, respecting the particulars as well as general wants of the Indians within your limits, and who look to the Factory over which you preside have charge, for those articles which serve their necessities, and minister to their comfort.

In the first class, Blankets & Strouds, and similar articles of clothing, are mainly important; But as the Government, and Society in General, would be happy to learn that our border neighbors were quickening in their advances to a state of civilization; and growing fond of the agricultural life, I have to request that you ascertain what particular implements of husbandry would be most acceptable: And also, I have to request.

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that you will keep me informed of their wants in general; - having an eye upon ^{the keeping up of} that apartment at the factory which is so essential to its prosperity.

respectfully
in

J. L. W. K.