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Letter from George Sibley to Benjamin Reeves, November 29, 1829

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St. Charles 29, Nov. 1829

Dear Sir:

Allow me again to invite your attention to the subject of the yet unsettled accounts of the late commissioners on the Santa Fee Road upon which the Commissioners claim a balance due of \$1504.54 for expenditures necessarily made by them beyond the sum appropriated by Act of Congress.--

In order to call the attention of the Secretary of War to this subject with the view of obtaining his official influence in urging an appropriation on Congress; I deem it most proper that the (late Commissioners should address a joint letter to him and in pursuance of this opinion, I have prepared the enclosed which if you approve I shall be pleased to sign and return it to me as soon as possible by mail, that I may obtain the signature of Col. Mather and forward it to Washington so as to be there soon after the reassembly of Congress after the Christmas recess. I have also to request you to write your friends in Congress on this subject, urging them to use some exertions to obtain the necessary appropriation to pay the balance due the commissioners.--I have sufficed very materially already from the delay that has taken place in the getting of this account. That delay be continuous beyond the present session of Congress I assure you sir the consequences will not fail to be ruinous to me. In writing to you friends on the subject I request that my name may not be mentioned, for this request I have good reasons tho they are of a nature entirely personal to myself.

I remain very respectfully
and very truly, Your
(Signed) G. C. Sibley.

B. H. Reeves, Esq.