

26th Sep^r 1809.

My dear Sir, I have twice written to you this summer requesting you to send to me the bond for a deed of the two Sachems, dated May 1. 1767 to Cap^t Carver, & a bond for me to sign & seal to reconvey to you &c &c a certain part thereof when the Indians shall have confirmed their predecessors deed to Carver & Congress shall have ratified said Indian deed to Carver, but I have received no Answer, nor Intelligence from or of you. Hence I conclude you have not received my two letters by Post: or you have become dead, sick, or have laid aside all further Endeavors to obtain said Land for Carvers Heirs. I informed you what I had done towards securing those Lands by means of Governor Hull of Detroit & his son a Lawyer in this City, who were to meet the Naudowessie Chiefs in July and August in a General Congress at Michilimackinac & then to let me know the result by Post in Sep^r or as soon as could be - I have heard nothing as yet - but daily expect to hear, that the present Sachems have confirmed their Ancestors deed to Carver & if so to fulfill my obligation to say Gov^r Hull & his Son their expenses &c &c & then refer^{me} to Congress to finish the Title - I have need of your deed prior to any kind of settlement with Gov. Hull & his son, or any going to Congress & before I can advise you to prepare to come here & go with me to Congress: next December - whatever you intend pray let me know by return of Post - & also forward said bonds to Mr. Russell at Troy or to Judge Graham, or to whom you think proper with speed, that all things proper may be done & made ready - If you neglect now all future Endeavors will be vain and idle - Col Lyon is on the spot & will not fail to assist the claim of Carver - Thus will A A also many others in the middle & northern States - Health & respects is the salutation of your fidel

S. A. P.

Though Mr. Jefferson has done his best to destroy the claim of Cap^t Carver by purchasing 20 miles lat or wide on Carvers claim next to the river of an Indian of one of the tribes of the Naudowessie tribes & Dr. Mitchel was one of the Committee of that purchase for 2 or 300

dollars I fear not.. if Hull gains a ratification of the Forewent Sachems
of Carvers Deed - As Madison & the Congress will not dare to bring that
purchase against Carvers Claim, which was laid before Congress in
1806 - we are free of Jefferson & our Committee. J. Smith. A. Baldwin
& Jm^c Smith all of whom were enemies to Carvers claims & they have
received proper payments. Yet I am sorry for the insanity of J^m Smith,
who was at best but a friend to himself during his sanity,
or he would have provided for you as I requested & he promised
to do. Your new Governor Galusha is Brother in Law to Col Lyon
& to Mr Chittenden of Congress, you may obtain letters & their
interests & other of your members in Congress at this critical period
- I have the promises of many to move on the Land when you & I can
go but we must yield half of it to Congress no doubt to gain the
other half - on condition that Congress shall support a Governor
of it as a Colony until we are numerous enough to be a State.

I pray you not to fail answering me & every thing necessary
as Broome is daily expected.

The first news I receive (I shall write to you by the Post) either from
Hull or Broome. whether I hear from you or not - but delay on your
Part will destroy all future Endeavours or hope -

I wrote to you (via) Judge Thoon, yet from him I have heard
nothing - Report says he is gone to the Ohio, where he has
made a purchase. Stanley Griswold is now Senator in room of
Jm^c Smith from Ohio - a favorable event for us - he of good cheer & be
ready to come to Troy, thence to New York & with me go to Washington
Capitol. My love attends you and yours, Mrs Clarke is married - but
yet resides with me - here is your home - I salute all the heirs of
Capt Carver - Adieu

S. A. P.

Copy of a letter sent to me and
from Dr. P. Sept 1800

~~Samuel Williams Esq.~~

intercepted by a person I must not dis-
cover — and received by me May 27. 1811

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