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Washington Jan. 24. 1829

Dear Sir,

You have learned in this the cause,
taken with respect to the settlement at ~~Fort~~
Illimachinas. It was not, that I was not
desirous of ordering your recommendation, nor
that I felt no anxiety for Manxell, that he
did not succeed. But it was impossible.
The prejudice for those appointments was
beyond belief, and there were circumstances
connected with Jones, which made him
the successful applicant. I have been
talking to Duncan Stewart about the ap-
pointment of Manxell as an Inspector,
and I think it will be done. My efforts
of mine shall be wanting to promote the
object, as I consider him a most excellent
man. Your accounts for the expenses
incurred, leading to the Green Bay Prairie
du Chien treaty have been presented, and
an estimate for the amount has been
sent to the Committee. There is no doubt

of their payment. Col. Munnay says you charge
for the supplies furnished to him that he paid,
as soon, as the appropriation passes.

I trust, that none of the
changes, proposed in the present system of
Indian trade, will be injurious to the interest
of the Company. They cannot, because they
do not affect the course of the trade, but only
supply details, which render the existing laws
uncertain or inoperative. The discretionary au-
thority of the Agents is in some instances enlar-
ged, but there are such checks interposed,
that no injury can result from its exercise.
However nothing will be done this spring, ex-
cept the making of the report. That we shall
do in a few days, and I will send you a copy
of it.

Present me affectionately to Mr
Stuart, and believe me

Sincerely your friend
L. W. C. S.

Robert Stuart Esq.





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Robert Stewart Esq

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Michigan Territory.

Dear Capt. Esq.
Washington January 24th 1839.
Received
March 15th "
Answered —
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