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Rivierdesert 11th february 1873
to Rankin Esqr

Dear Sir



Inclosed please Receive
The Cash, acf for January
which I Trust you will find
All Right our Flour has
Just Comenced to arrive I have
Received 60 Bags Flour and
Expect some more soon
please forward the Invoice of
the Flour &c and oblige
your Obediant Servant

Thomas Moor

I believe your friend the Minister is still

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1873
Died 11 February
Thomas near
to
Berlin Run River
Aged 20 March.

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1873
St Thomas 23 June
John Parker

My dear Sir /
I am much
pleased to hear of your
success in the
North West
and the
Hudson's Bay
Company
I am
very
sincerely
yours
John Parker

23 June 1873

My dear Sir /
I am much
pleased to hear of your
success in the
North West
and the
Hudson's Bay
Company
I am
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John Parker

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to all the crew have me showen they apply for an
ashim. Much a ~~part~~ in my absence and
on board - so I ~~stop~~ my change to my wife. as
kennay direct to ~~the~~ you please
in look and ~~the~~ you please

Mr. Henderson
Kath. Sam. Lappin
Ther. up very much
I learn back

in look - and as I will take you
there is scarce any bully from ~~my~~
and I stop for the with our hunter
will not ready that repair ~~the~~ ~~my~~
place before I move

my - Would you
have the goodness
to send forward
my wife or brother
and can his ~~and~~ ~~and~~

I trust you will wish
stead a line to ~~the~~
and can his ~~and~~ ~~and~~

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White
5th April 1876
A. Rankin Esq
Seminarium



Dear Sir

It strikes me the
charges Grimes has against the
company for transport has been
already paid. However I refer
you to the transfer of against
Seminarium & Hunter. Also
in the Books at Mattawa it
appears to me the very same figure
came under Mr. notice once
before. The acct^t can be found
at Mattawa. Signed by Munley
his clerk, if it can be found
it will show the amount paid

& Co.

Yours, Obedt Servt
George Munley

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28th August 1876

Colum Hankins Esq

Imiecami gul



Sir Please pay to Father Guzman
 the sum of £ 7. 7. - (seven seven
 pounds seven shillings) being
 the proceeds of 219 (forty nine)
 made Beaver paid into
 the Provisional store to his
 Credit and charge the
 same to Rupert River
 District

augus W. Good
clerk for the
North Hudson Bay Co.

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Received 20th Oct
Assured 23rd do

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Reverend
30 Oct 1876



Columbian Exchange
Musconinega

Dear Sir,

your letters of the 3rd and 4th, were handed me on the 24th by Robert for-
igal who arrived at Quebec being all night.
I already had all my baggage done two weeks
before he reached here. Although the River
was very low I had very good luck in getting my
outfit deep. I was along with the voyageurs all
the time, as I had no one would depend on. I
got up considerable more stuff than last
year at a cost of at least fifty dollars less.
I had last fall.

Backus & H Dennis are at
 their old Station also at Backus and
 another new trader who I hear are all in
 the employ of Kirby of Ottawa. The latter
 (my Indian) believe is to be Stationed between
 the River and Grand Lac. My friend H
 Dennis has cut a path through the woods
 in the rear of my place to connect with the
 direct road. So it will enable the Indians
 to pass my place unobserved and give
 me the ship. However the making of this new
 path does not trouble me much but I
 believe he intends to erect another Shanty
 ahead of me. Should he do so I will be com-
 pelled to follow him. I am already prepared
 when he makes a move I shall follow. He
 does not intend to abandon his old place

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but is going to visit the two places I have
been endeavouring very hard to secure the
services of some good Indian guide, as the
only way to see both the factors is to force the
Indians and to do that I must have a man
that knows the country, and I find it a
most difficult matter to engage one. I had
one engaged but at the last moment he
would not accompany me and the reason
he gave for not doing so was that he heard
that Backus threatened to shoot him if he
engaged with the company and under
no inducement could I get him to
accompany me. I am well aware that
Backus is stooping to everything for and
mean to engage the company, he ~~does~~ does
all he can to get the Indians not to work for
me and I must say he works with some suc-
cess. I must say with Guntie they are becom-
ing a dangerous opposition, between the
four of them (engaged in by "Kibij") they man-
aged to take down 87 packs amounting to 60
packs. I have not succeeded in getting a
cook, a good action snow shoe walker
would be much better for this place.
I saw down after some things that I require
for the trade which just arrived from
Montreal. I am picking up a few skins
I got five fine large Bear skins the other day
that were killed last winter.

I have sent with best wishes
succeeded in remaining in
engaging a young
man as cook.

I remain Dear Sir
Yours obdt Servt
Geo. H. Peckham

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Junco amarus Philib.
25th Oct. 1876

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28th Oct. 1876

C. Rankin Esq.

Semiscarpus

Dear Sir



The beaver
I send to Morris for a few, which I will
I will be sent off for the trade, especially own case
& comodes. Mr. Burgess on his indent for August 4th
indeed shows comodes of 50 lb each, while we only received
2 boxes of 25 lb each, consequently we are 100 lb short, which
Mr. J. can well be able to supply. It would be well
to notify the Montreal Office of these matters regarding
our beaver & comodes, that it may not occur again.

I intended to have sent earlier in the season
but kept back expecting the Moose packet which
I am astonished has not made its appearance.
Something must be wrong. I will take
pige all over on the 13th inst. viz. little post.

For ease I should pen shut, if I were before spring
the horses will take 5 Baps, which will serve us all over.
Mapa & I have, we sell little or none through the winter
only sufficient to having the Indians to their lands
now come in to the place in Autumn. I have good
large supply of all other provisions. I am very glad

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to be able to inform you that so far we have got away
good returns nearly double the quantity, with a
few exceptions where that there was at this date last year
though that last. I hope may continue. The Indians
who were trading with Sumner for the last few years
have all returned again to this place.

We have made a fine fall fishing, on account
of the late starting so early.

I have written Mr. Shaw, enclosing letters for
Mr. Rogers regarding his account.

Mr. Wood will deliver you a small
case containing a gun which I would like to be
forwarded to Churchill to be protected.

Our Opposition here, near at Mattawa this fall
where they were supplied to the amount of \$200. by
John Beams, they are doing nothing & the Indians
never go near them.

I hope you are all well
Yours truly
J. A. Anderson

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Mattona December 18th 1877

Col. Rankin Esq.
Laurisauful

Dear Sir

I am in receipt of your favour
of 8th inst enclosing Cash \$40⁰⁰. and Memo of Debt
here 1st June 77.
I may mention that Sam Montuill has paid his A/c
in full. by Note. and John M. Gracian, has given out
50 Bush Note. on his A/c. I expect he will
pay in January and Daniel will be paid as soon
as shipping begins. The England has given an order
for \$15⁰⁰ on his A/c. on S. Thompson which he is to pay
in a few weeks and the balance. I will get in
just this minute. N. Miller says he will give Note
for his balance. when the goods get paid.

I will do my best to collect all as quickly as
possible. I enclose your "Box", and will make
as large a remittance to Montreal as possible. The Mail
Iraac Smith. wishes you to send him a Dorellian
suitable to make a shirt of (inside) thin and perfect
and 4 of same hue, and change to Mattona
Louis only aimed here last evening "Saturday"



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at about 11 AM. and reports a very rough trip. If it
John Thomson of E. B. Eldred's office \$22 ⁵⁰ per ton
delivered at his shanty for low hay and acid take
about 15 tons at that price. Winter here all hay
that they need is in better demand in getting hard now
& that price will be good. His shanty is distant
from here about 30 miles. I will satisfy myself
as to the fare before paying.
Would you advise paying Thomas Mackens. about 250
dolls at \$1.50 each for the pick. of them?
Nothing done here, and business dull, no snow
and roads bad. All well Friend. kindest regards
to self & family.

I am
dear Sir
Your oft servant
J. Warrick

P.S.
The Bundle of S. B. s.
arrived here. will you require them?

Ans 28 Dec



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1877
Methuen 18 Dec
J^r Murnock
no 21st
Ans 28 Dec

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2. Merchants Exchange
Montreal 8th March 1878

Colia Rankin Esq
Hon Hudson's Bay Co
Terrebonne

Dear Sir,

I shall be much
obliged if you will obtain for me the full
names and ages of the boy & girl, children
of the late J. W. Simpson - also be good
enough to note that any supplies
furnished to them must not exceed in
amount the sum of \$35⁰⁰ per annum
to each, and that I shall be glad if
you will in future keep the account of the
one distinct from the other.

I am

Dear Sir

Yours very faithfully
(signed) J. W. Simpson



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B78
Spencer Simpson
New Year & March
Recd
Sent to Montreal

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Mattoma 30th March 1878. 12

Maikini Esq
Hudson Bay House
Terrebonne



Dear Sir

Reyes and the Kase arrived here all safe in Hudson Bay. Both being somewhat tired.

Nothing has arrived here as far as your letter except Dr Martin's stuff, and some of the Indian flour, but I expect some more up early next week.

I know you find some here there is a possibility of forwarding them on. I will not fail to do so.

White leaves here with Lorus, and will hand you this along with 4th Corn Starch, and 8th Apples.

Which I hope find for and charged you. He as requested. I handed Reyes #12 being amount of his expenses down, & charged same to him. He has.

Wished you letter to Mr. Bennett.

Believe and you in kindest regards to Mrs R. Cella. Sincerely,

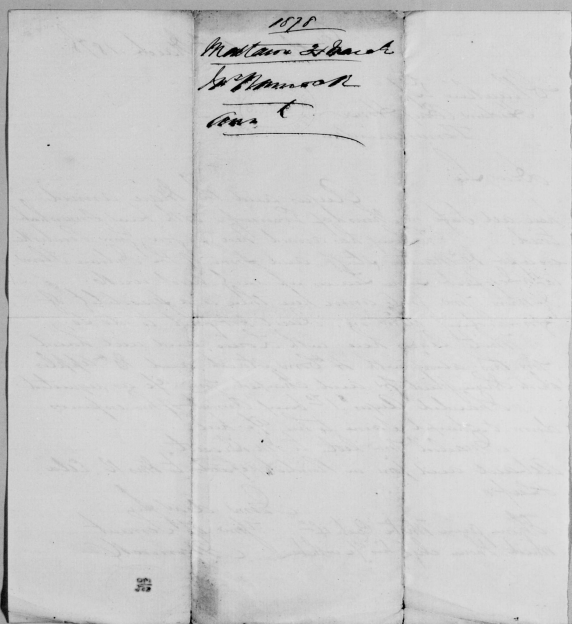
Yours dear Sir,
Thos prin White Cash 4th
which Thos chgs his fee with him. J. H. Bennett



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Private

Mattona April 22nd 1878.

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Charles E. Linnear



Dear Sir

Yours of 6th to hand,

with enclosure which I mailed, not having any official envelopes. I got some from Miller and sent them to you by the mail as also the letter paper. Charles McEvel is up and he tells me the parchment skins he got from me did not suit, and he is returning them, and as they are no use to me they can be returned to the office by first canoe mail.

I will forward all the papers. A good gun are coming in and I have paid in trade just the price mentioned in your letter, taking the newspapers for my authority.

If it is your intention to send me a man to replace Angus, I hope White will not be the one. Not that I have any fault or complaint to make against him, for he suited me well, but for other reasons, which I will explain when I see you.

If you cannot spare Anderson, I might be able to get Munro for a short time, till you could supply a more suitable person. Must therefore for well, but send White.

Hope the Carver reached home all safe and unharmed and correct. He is all well, & busy gardening, and with kindest regards to all

Yours



James Simpson
Hudson's Bay Company

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R. In Envelopes at the point - I opened the
Box for outfit 78. and now send you the dog
tag.

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Mathews Oct 24/78

Champion Exp



at the place of Medicine
arrived yesterday for you
which I take the first good
chance of sending up by
McGowan who came here.

Wm. Henry for reference
I hope it will reach you
I hope to come here again
I am with the crew to
send it on by post express
I'll send and send tonight
regards to you are before this letter
is sent
Yours truly
Wm. Henry

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Mathews 24th Oct.

for Warrack

And d.



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Matthew C. L. 15
Chaplain E. J.
Laurie

Dear Sir

I have found for Laramie to have
Yesterday. I have found up all the articles that can be
obtained here. There is but a barrel of salt to be had
in the village, and we are the only person who have Coal oil
and you all learn of course. In fact, there are no
plough points either to be had, and the sick & Laramie are
here but in stock.

The Mission sends you up a small trial of Tinjar out of the
same Box as the last sent you, and can't see, but that
it is good.

The Potatoe crop sample has sent the Receipt
some time ago.

I send you the chance, a parcel found in
the J. J. Case sent to Mattana for Mutual. Addressed
to you. I have received the two parcels sent you.
by Mr. Laramie. I send up to you the chance.

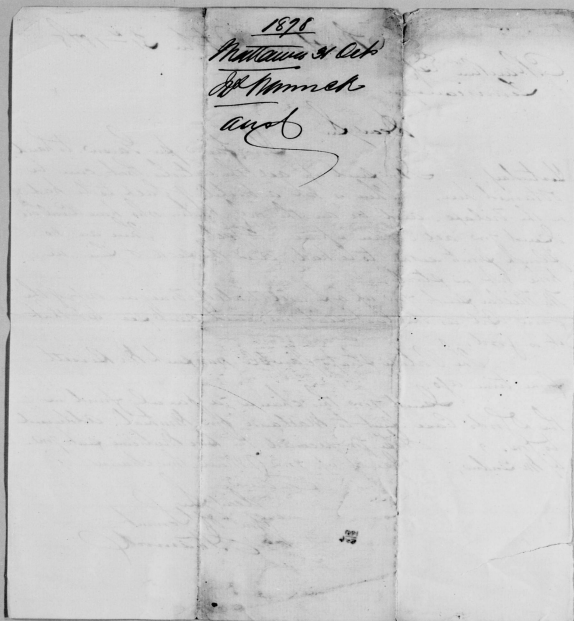


Yours
Sincerely
J. J. Laramie

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To L. Rankin Esq^r
Tromsamingue



Hunters Lodge
April 22nd
1879

Dear Sir

Pelson arrived here about noon.
also the two boys from Grand Lac. who have not
made bad time considering the walking.
It looks like a speedy break up. the ice is getting
very bad on the Sippewa.
I send by Pelson letters from Grand Lac.
I will commence packing my inventory immedi-
ately. for I am going to look after my Indians
about before the ice is all gone.
Joseph picked up a few skins on his way home.
I am doing nothing in the farming line at all.
George is clearing up. and I have got Dick drawing
the manure from the Hubson to the fields.
Joseph the Indian I am letting go.
I will do my utmost as regards the Indian debt. sometimes
I am afraid it may reach \$300 but I hope not.
I fear old Dick has caught the glanders or something
of the kind. he has a constant running at the nose like
Souris horse. He is very weak and poor, yet produces
know the old fellow eats enough.
I will leave this until Louis arrives.
I am staying with this Mrs. Rankin at
Hunters Lodge for Grand Lac. I like to know
on the Outfit - 79. I have put aside and shall have
them packed by George Foster to day.
I have filled up the order as nearly as I can. I was
obliged to make a little change in the round in pans
as I only had 3 of the sizes asked for.
I will make out the invoice for Grand Lac according to
the order in which I pack the goods not in a collated form.

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I send by Polson two additional items to be entered
as separate a/c's. One against yourself of \$9.00
another against George Fisher of \$11.00.
I also enclose his order for that amt.
I suppose I had better plant potatoes sufficient
for a season likewise garden seeds.
It is anxious money, if Alm and Ann is not in yet.
I hardly think Ole Dick is going to live much
longer, he seems to be wasting away, and has
become very weak.

Wed afternoon

Louis has come in, bad roads he says.
But Polson is not well. I fear he may not be able
to start tomorrow, though I hope he will.

I remain your Obedt Servt

Chas. Jam

1879
Mendenhall
22 April
C. O. S. M.
Amos B. May

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Hudsons Bay House.
Colly Rankin Esq White Sept 17/1881.
Vernis caninque.

Sir

In consequence of having
received an injury last summer which
will incapacitate me for the active life
required in the service.

I herewith beg to hand
you my resignation my engagement
expiring 31 May 1882. I hope to be released
at your earliest convenience after the
above date

I Remain
Your Oble Servt
W. Houston



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C. Grantham
1st March 1886
Nathama
1st March 1886

Dear Sir /
Shaveyacu

Letters and are enclosed
from Turner & Lee. This
man hauling flour business
is to be repeated again.
I am afraid we will have
to make a change at
Sunnagayme for this hauling
must be stopped. I
can say nothing about
buying ducks but rather
let him fight it out.
I am



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repairs settled and
at once.
I'll see Mr.
I'll leave on Monday
next and go direct to
Long Point, or pass
by the Lake - I think
the ice crossing Lippert
should be good
now - Yours truly
A. H. H.

I'll take up
I'm sure of horses
to when I'm off