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Settlement, in that neighborhood. by threat-
 ening and frightening the Settlers. which
 had also incessantly urged Your Petitioner
 to apply, since his father's death. And Your
 Petitioner begs leave to assure Your Honor that
 he has a competent knowledge of the Chippewa
 language, and would be happy to serve as
 Interpreter, and that if he is so fortunate as to
 be appointed, it will enable him to support
 himself and family (which his precarious health
 otherwise disqualifies him for) and become an
 useful member of Society. and that his atten-
 tion to his duty shall, be such as to merit
 approbation and to show himself worthy of
 the confidence that may be placed in him.
 Your Petitioner therefore prays Your Honor to
 commiserate his situation and grant the
 Prayer of his Petition, and he as in duty bound
 will ever pray -

Wth 2^d December 1805 John Cowen