

Lachine le May 1808.

Dear Sir,

I have just time to acknowledge the Receipt
of your Letter of the 13th Ins. & to return you my thanks for the trouble you have
taken in drawing my Salary. The Indian goods are now forwarding to
Lachine & the receipt of the Invoice from England, says me under some
difficulty. Of course I must charge myself in my Accounts with the quantity
of goods received, but by not having an Invoice I cannot ascertain what
any of the Bales, Cases or Boxes contain, as a part of them have been sold
at Quebec, & the Account of the contents of the Packages is received, ^{from England} I am
persuaded there will be a necessity for a Board of Survey in order to ascertain
the sum. This will occasion a Delay in forwarding the Remainder of
the Supplies to N. Canada, but I see no other method of my being enabled to
take charge of them. May therefore beg of you when you or the Genl
charged to mention the matter to him. It is the further instance of the
kind I am really at a loss. I am glad some Regulations are coming
out respecting the Indian Department, it is much wanted. I hope it
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