

Lieps July 5. 1795.

Dear Sir

I received your favour of the 11th inst by
Mr. Ship with the Deed, ^{from Norway} and agreeably to your
request I here inclose you a memorandum of the
Littles deposited in Office for the two Indian Lots in
Gallen; what is the Indian Law or usage in the disposal
of such property, whether they have any, and whether
the Right will be determined by our, or their Laws,
I know not, I should however suppose by ours, and
in that case I presume your Little good for the fee of the
Land. And as I wish you well in all things, so do I
hope you will not loose this Land.

I promised to write you last Fall after our
Arrival, which I never literally performed, but having
an opportunity shortly after, I charged my Lawyer
Mr. Norman, to wait on you, and do more than
I could by writing, to wit, to tell you of our arrival
and all the remarkable circumstances of our
Long Journey, made up of the greatest variety of
Kerstems, of agreeables and disagreeables; and as
our faithful representatives to enquire after the good
health of your Family, and to assure you of the
strong remembrance we bore of the great friendly
Hospitality experienced by Mr. Lidyard & Family from
Mr. Smith and yourself; this at the time in a great
measure satisfied my mind in answer to your
friendly request that I should write you on my arrival,
and now, at this late day, offer it to you as an
apology. — Mr. Lidyard and the Girls
join in the most sincere Friendly Respects to Mr.
Smith — Mr. Lidyard has peculiar satisfaction in
congratulating Mr. Smith on the birth of her Son,
having two days before the receipt of your Letter been
delivered also of a Son, and in brave health, after infi-
nite apprehensions of what might happen on
such an occasion to her, above 300 Miles from
those

whose peculiar care and skill she had formerly
experienced. —

Congratulate you on the success
of Elections — and with your compliments of this
Season, how have you honored the Day and enjoyed
yourselves, in your highly improved part of our
Western world — We at Aurora have only met
in a select Company of about 2 or 3 and twenty Gentlemen
~~who~~ dined very sumptuously and handsomely,
with good humour, good universal or general sentiment
in both things. —

I am with perfect respect & esteem
Yr. friend
Sam. Hunt. Esq.

Ben. Ledyard

[Benjamin Ledyard]

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