

Red River Settlement 10 June 1840

Dear Sir

Your note came - take to hand regarding the boat of wich you are very wellcome to providing the boat would come back in time to the Settlement I intend to go to York Factory this fall - but I have a spare boat that I could sell to you for five pounds sterling without sail or oars - as the boats has not repared this year. I am feared well be very licky [leaky?] they would whant a small repear.

Sir

I am yours most obedient

Joseph Bird

Addressed on Verso:

“To the Revende M^r W^m Cockran
Grand Rapids”