Mr. Geo. B. Sibley
Factor for M. S
Fort Osage

The Secretary of War has so far consented to the plan suggested by you in your letter to me of the 29th January that he has directed the annuity for the Osage Indians to be supplied for this year from the Factory. Experience will shew whether
it had best be continued, you will then deliver on application of Lord Winchelsea and to his order, in value, at the cost, as shown by the Invoices sent from this office, and in such articles as he may require goods to the amount of One thousand Dollars for the great Osage, and of five hundred Dollars for the little Osage tribe— you will make distinct Invoices for each by duplicate get them receipt by Gen. Clarke and forward them to me—by these settlement can be obtained at the War Office—without a draft as by a late Law— all the annuiters are in future to be supplied by orders from the Secretary of War this this office. You will be careful to make up these annuiters of good merchandize and such as will give satisfaction to the Indians—at the same time so far as Gen. Clarke may find it right to yield to such a selection, to make it with as little injury to your assortment for trade as can be done—

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