

St Charles County Missouri Sept 19th 1831

Dear Sir -

I embrace this opportunity of writing to you by a young man who lives in the neighbourhood of the point, by the name of Phillip Anthony - who should you see him can give you information of many of your friends in this County - I have nothing particular to write you more than the health of the family & friends - your Mother is still living, and has good health - your Sister Melley is living in this neighbourhood and has good health - your Brother James is living in the same neighbourhood that Isaac lives in a bout fifty miles from this - them families are both in good health - Isaac & Corin is gone a trapping to Rocky Mountains - our family begins to scatter about we have one Daughter who lives high up the Mississippi married to a Mr Jas Craig another Daughter living up the Missouri & one living in the this neighbourhood - I have lately heard from them all and find them all in good health - we lost our daughter Nancy last fall she died on the 22^d of October - with a sickness of four days - she was 22 years of age when she died - Goodridge Saughters is living eight or ninety miles from us and I have not heard how the family want at present - Jas Telfer is likely to make a fortune at Mining he is still working at the place where your Cousin James Vanbelle left him a bout thirty five miles from this - I have nothing to write you in particular - Chas has to come very fat and can hardly write on his back - I should be glad to hear from you, please write & let me hear how you are doing - With much respect