

Fort Chabaut, C
Jan 7th 1874

Dear Mary,

I received your letter on Monday evening, and hasten to answer it. I shall not sign any paper to divide the lands and have told Mr. Bondrick Sr. I think Mr. Craig should be employed to attend to the lands, altogether and it will be no mark of disrespect to Mr. Lewis or infringement of what he has done heretofore, and if he is a sensible man he will understand it. The writer has so far been very favorable to our work and I have done a great deal in repairing and sinking new fences &c. We have plenty to eat but no