

Waterloo 2nd 21st 1824

Respected Friends

D. Merrill & Son I received yours of the 13th Instant in due season. The contents of which I was some what surprised at I immediately went to see Capt Rusco who appeared to be very much surprised, ~~and stated~~ ^{to me} that he did not go to Schenectady with the Boat ~~himself~~ but hired a Capt. Parsons to go with it. Rusco and myself went to see Capt. Parsons who states that he got from in a few miles above Schenectady ~~but~~ after a few days got to Schenectady with the Boat he then went to D. W. Co. and while at their store saw a waggon loading with empty Bags. Marked D. Merrill & Son he told D. W. Co. the wheat was yours and they took off bags enough to ~~fill it~~ hold the wheat which was put in your bags except about 15 Bush which was a little wet they spread that in the loft and promised to have it ~~dry~~ until it got dry. he got short of cash and sold 31 Bus to pay expenses which Rusco says he will pay for. Parsons says D. W. Co. promise to send the wheat to you the next day. he says he told them if they would not send it the next

day he would stay and attend to
it himself they assured him they would
attend to it and he came home

yours of the 18th is also at hand and contains
noticed, as respects the 1200 Bus wheel I have
not on my own ac and had ground you
state you will take with what I have not
for you. but as I want my funds in
N. York it will suite me better not to
draw on you but let it lay until I go
to N.Y. which will be about 1st 4th mo then
I will take your note at as long a time
from that date
as I can get it discounted. which will
probably be 90 days with interest from
this time. which will no doubt suit
you as well as a draft through the
Bank of Geneva 4th mo if so you
may have it at the same rate I
agreed to buy for you

I remain Your friend

R. F. Hunt

N.B. please let me know if you take it
as above, and also what D. W. H. says
in reply to Capt. Parsons. if his
story is correct they D. W. H. are
more ^{to blame} than him

Received of
J. F. Hunt
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