

of your lands, they requested him to hand you a few of such as they thought would be most useful to you. We hope since you have received them, that you have diligently used them for the purposes for which they were intended.

Brothers, as we travelled through your village we were much pleased to find that you had got so much ground under good fences, and that you have so considerable a quantity of corn growing.

Brothers, we are now satisfied that you are beginning to see your true interests, and we hope you will not permit any small discouragement to turn you out of the way which you are just getting into. This path, if steadily pursued by you, must in a very few years lead you to comfort and plenty.

Brothers, we have very much rejoiced to hear from your white neighbours, that your general deportment has been such, as to secure you the universal respect and good will of all of them. This is to us very strong proof of your good conduct, and we will not fail to communicate it to our friends at home.

Brothers, we have also heard with great satisfaction that you have for a considerable time entirely banished strong drink from your village. This measure if persevered in will

be of greatest importance and most lasting benefit to you.

Brothers, as long as you conduct yourselves so correctly, we shall feel ourselves bound to extend to you all the assistance in our power. - The Great and Good Spirit will never permit your friends to abandon you, while you thus continue your exertions to do right. Our means of aiding you are not now very extensive, but you may rely upon our doing all that we can to encourage you.

In reply Captain Lewis observed
My Brothers the Quakers, we feel very much rejoiced that the Great Spirit has brought us together this day.

Brothers, it is indeed a high satisfaction, that we are permitted this day to meet you. The long journey you have made to visit us, proves to us your good disposition towards us. We believe that you have been moved by the great disposer of all things, to undertake so great a journey to see your brothers and sisters, who you have this day met here. Every one that is now present, both old and young, both men, women and children, are rejoiced in their hearts to see you, and have the opportunity to hold you by the hands.

Brothers, every one that you see here have been