

Letter

Geo Young

Dec 8 1818

Mr James Dawson  
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Millersport Oct 7 - 1820

My dear Sir

I have yours of the 3<sup>d</sup> inst. to which I beg leave to state that I would most certainly authorize you to collect, through the winter for spring shipment, any ordinary quantity of good heavy oats, not less than 32 lbs per bushel, that might come in your way - but in the mean time I need your best efforts to supply a quantity for the first issue of the Storage on the 25<sup>th</sup> of this month or as soon thereafter as possible. If you could ship three or four hundred at an early day, or even less, they would fill up the void till the farmers had a little more leisure to thrash - My quotation of 2/ for 32 lbs implies that I could afford 2/1 for 34 + 2/2 for 36 lbs Oats per bushel. My contract delivers the oats to 10 lbs for every ration & the heavier the bushel, I can advance the price - I am much obliged for your



information regarding the vessel sailing thither from  
St E Island with 400 bushels on board & also for  
your attention in writing on to Charlotte  
Town - But I had anticipated you on the  
latter measure as I wrote Mr G. Cameron  
on the 25<sup>th</sup> Ult. to look out for me & he  
since had advised from him. I should be anxious  
to collect for me & close with my final  
proposal sent by the same post, it will  
be in his power to pick up on the spot  
all the heavy oats that may be presented  
at market. I have limited him to 2/1 for  
32 lbs & 2/1 for 34 & 2/2 for 36 lbs to bushel -  
My contract binds me to serve out none  
to the troops weighing less than 32 lbs to bushel.  
For that quantity I cannot afford more than  
2/1 or 2/1 delivered at Halifax free of all charges.  
All this is confidential & between ourselves.  
Mr Cameron offers 1500 bushels @ 2/2 this fall, &  
a larger quantity in spring at a lower rate with-  
out specifying what the rate may be -



My monthly issue will be about 550 barrels so  
that by Dec<sup>r</sup>, before the navigation closes for  
the winter, I must be provided with about 3000  
but our own wharves will supply the greater  
quantity, if I could be fortunate enough to  
secure a third part or a half by agents in the  
outports - I wish to enquire for my go-  
vernment as to my other orders & purchases,  
that by return of post - I might be Mr Dawson  
from my good Lady who has been rather in  
plainness of late - Yours very truly

R. Robinson