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**FROM MR. GILBERT SIMPSON.**

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Sr I have sent my Son to you: for some money: to pay off the men that is at work at the Mill: which they want Clothing and Cannot get any Cloths for the want [of] money: the walls of [the] Mill is done and the Race is not done by Reason for the want [of] Powder by which it Could not be had: and the frame is all got but the Rafters and they are about them now: I expect the House will be done by the 10th of Next month and the Dam will be done in about 10 Days from this Date and the fore bay is all fraimed Ready to put Down: the work that is Done is Count'd the best of work. Mr Stephens is so Pertiquar about the Mill that he will have it Done in the best manner if he is a Little the Longer about it and hand is been very hard to get which it is backard the work: Sr. it is not in my Power to come Down for I cannot Leave the worke: and Provision very hard to get and I have Done my Utmost indeavor to foread the work all that in my Power lay Sr. I should be glad if you Could sent me Three Hundread Pound at Least: if you can by my Son for the money that I have sent to you will hardily pay the Expence that I have been at: and as to our Pardner Ship is all well Sr I made three Hundread Bushels of Corn I have nothing more to Relate to you & my Family is all well at Present

Sr I am your Humble Servant GILBERT SIMPSON