

**William Clark to Thomas Jefferson, April 3, 1805,
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Fort Mandan April the 3rd 1805.

Sir

It being the wish of Captain Lewis, I take the liberty to send you for your own perusal the notes which I have taken in the form of a journal in their original state. You will readily perceive in reading over those notes, that many parts are incorrect, owing to the variety of information received at different times, I most sincerely wish that leasure had permitted me to offer them in a more correct form.

Receive I pray you my unfained acknowledgments for your friendly recollection of me in your letters to my fiend and companion Captn. Lewis. And be assured of the sincere regard with which I have the honor to be Your most obedient and Humble Servent,Wm. Clark

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