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Mr. Doug Thomas,
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Dear Doug:

I hope you will forgive me for the delay in writing you, but have been utterly swamped with writing and some research that had to be completed. Then there were some Indians who had difficulties that I had to spend two afternoons and evenings, working with.

I am sending you a small amount of material, but it is generally good. In fact most of it has never been published, and is little known. So I hope that your instructor will forgive the delay, and you can put it in condition. You may keep all that I am sending.

Remember, there are <u>millions</u> of letters about this period of history.

A complete story cannot be told by one person, in his life. Each of as adds a bit.

Now I am supposing that the little pamphlet will give you a background of why there was a fort, who built it, and things like that.

But think about the real value of the Yakima Valley--its agricultural development.

So I am enclosing rare information on that subject. One is a copy of a letter nearly 100 years old! I will write remarks and attach, so it will be understandable if you read it and study it good. Good luck to you.

Sincerely

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