

Portland March 2/61

Dear Bush

Yours of 29th came to hand last night. You are right the note of Goodnough's with Holmes & Pentlands indorsement are left with you as collateral on the Portland note. I merely told it in order to collect the interest which I shall place to your Ct/ as collected.---I will not loan any more untill I hear from you.

We only have about \$1925 in our hands and the Stark note is \$2500 exclusive of interest---- I have heard nothing from Lewis since he spoke to me about that matter---We have not yet made advances as yet on next year crops but will make a small advance of those waxends ----

I still have hopes of the Government. God help us when hope is passed---

No news

Yours &c

Jno McCracken

Puttans March 25

Dear Buck

Yours of 25 came hands last night. You are right the note of Good enough's with Robins & Puttans, indorsement are left with you, as collateral on the Puttans note. I merely told it would be collect the interest which I shall place to your Cr. as collected. I will not loan any more until I hear from you.

We only have about \$1925 in our hands and the stock note is \$3500. exclusive of interest. I have heard nothing from Lewis since he spoke to me about that matter. We have not yet made advances as yet on next year crops but will make a small advance of those wayens.

I still have hopes of the government. God helps us when hope is passed.

No news

Yours

Wm. C. Cruse