

Fort Goodwin A.S.

Dec 11th 1864

Mr A Joseph

Sir-

I have wrote to several persons in Laos, to ask of you if even you have received from Mr E Wilson in Denver the "Serepi" or any money, none who have ever wrote to me, have made any allusion to the matter. I therefore take this opportunity to address you these few lines to enquire of you how the matter stands. Did you ever get the "Serepi" or any money? If you have not why I am indebted to you some 50¢. I hope by next month, or month after to send it to you. I would of sent it from Fort Union, at least I ought to have done so. But the

intentions were good but the flesh
was weak. I am very sorry to have been
guilty of doings. (Especially that part that
is Borrowed money). & trust to your
Generosity to forgive me - there the old
saying - holds good in my present case
viz! "A frank confession is good for the
Soul". Though it don't pay you for
your ^{own} Liberality, & Accomodation to me when
I was "broken", I shall always remember
you for it. With feelings of the most
sincere Gratitude. & will allways consider
my self under obligations to you.

I have no

news to write that would interest you
from this "dama country" - & will close
with the wish that you will answer this
at your earliest & most convenient opportunity
& that you nor yours may ever be
exiled in this "God forsaken country"
trusting that this may find you

Enjoying good-health I say Good
night -
Yours Respectfully,
Smith H. Simpson

P.S Give my regards to Col Means
& your brother John

Adios

SHS

Salvador's letter
to Mr. Simpson
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