

Oct. 4/14  
55

I could, but on account of the great distance we are  
from the Society, that we shall be all under the necessity  
of having immediate support. We go relying upon  
the strength for protection, and we hope under  
Divine direction likewise - for my part I mean  
to exert myself in the erection of a hut or house  
for each family and I hope the Lord will bless us  
with health, and proportionate our strength to  
our labours - I mentioned in a former letter  
that I should like to have a Gun as a kind of defence  
as there is nothing the Indians so much dread as  
the sight of a Gun, and to make it more immediately  
useful it ought to be one that would kill ducks  
at the distance of 60 yards, as the rivers abound  
with these valuable fowls and my Gun is too short  
and too light for the purpose - and if you will have  
the goodness to procure it with a quantity of Duck  
Shot and send it by the first conveyance I will  
take it as a particular favour - Mr Hall joins  
me with our best respects to Mr Smith  
and remain Dear Sir your most Obedt Servt  
In Christ - Wm Hall