

exclusively in the interests of the company at the River Huron and its dependencies; to be responsible for the care of all merchandise, peltries, and provisions both in transport and at the trading places, which will be shipped to him and will be in his charge as the property of the said company; to be zealous for their interest, to avoid all that would tend to their loss, and to warn them of impending losses should he have knowledge of such; briefly, this contract binds him to do his duty as a good trader, to conform to the orders of the company or its representative in all things lawful and honest, to engage in no private enterprise and not to absent himself from the service of the company during the time specified in this agreement, under penalty of forfeit of salary and all the additional favors herein mentioned; all this for and in consideration of the sum of seven hundred and fifty livres, old Quebec currency, together with his board and lodging as furnished in that locality; also, as the said Gabriel Hunot owes a certain amount on his former equipment, in order to give him the means of paying this sum, the company stipulates further, that in case the peltry returns of the said Gabriel Hunot, with the good merchandise only that will be left unsold, if these on July 1, 1788, amount to a greater sum than the merchandise and other things that were advanced to him for trading, together with any money given to him, the wages of his men, and briefly, all other expenses which affect the company through his action, then the profit or surplus will be applied on his old debt to the company for former equipment, and the said Gabriel Hunot will himself know whether he is making anything or not by the itemized accounts of all things sent to him by the company for purposes of trade in their behalf, with the expenses, in this way conditions will be the same as if the company had equipped him.

In the presence of witness,
Thomas Smith

For the Miamis Company
John Askin, Director,

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Gabriel X Hunot
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