

whatever he demanded, they twisted it at all points saying [he had] to make his profit but at last find^e me too hard for any thing they could offer wanting Reason they consented to do this & I gave an Order accordingly & wrote Mr Robertson for 6 Bushels corn 20 lb Grease 16 lb Sugar when tying up my Loading the Indian half drunk refused to go saying he loved his Horses & the Load^e would be heavy. other purposes ineffectual waited 'till next Day the Indians drink^e all night.

Saturday Ap^l 17th 1790 The Indians all drunk except the one I had engaged to go & he sleeping Mr Godfroy very obliging in going himself & send^e young Silo to endeavour by every Means to get an Indian but the other not seeming to care much it rain'd hard & this Indian still asleep, waited with anxiety [resolving] if he was to go to drink again to come to Detroit for I saw myself without help. he awaked but sick & did not wish to go in bad Weather. however by force of high pay I got him to start about an Hour before Sun set. passed the first large Run where we carried on our backs & encamped at Sun Set. received from Mr Godfroy a Turkey for 6/. Thebeaut asked 8/ for his

Sunday Ap^l 18th 1790. A very cold night & I had no Blanket, the Corn being in it. travelled very hard this day & camped at Sun Set another very cold night.

Monday—Ap^l 19th 1790. Arrived at the Portage about Mid day paid the Indian 3 Call^o Shirts & some Powder & Ball in full. Went with Joe to measure the Portage beginning at the South End with a Line of 100 feet English 15 Lengths Dry 50 feet Wet 17½ Lengths Dry 4 Lengths Swamp 9 D^o Dry 14 D^o Wet 4 D^o Dry 3 D^o Wet here nearly half Way 74 Lengths Dry to the North Stream in all 141 Lengths or 14100 feet or 4700 Yd^s. Blazed a Tree at West of the Road next the Water at North III on a hanging tree next to the Water [and] Another about half Way [on] a Tree West of the portage Road where another Road crosses South West & North East I had order'd the Cannots to

about the year 1787. To them were born thirteen children in the years 1788-1809. See Denissen, *op. cit.*