

place about $\frac{1}{2}$ a Mile got over nearly at Mid Day. from thence passed in the Run & small Lake³⁰ to the River deplain & Course turning nearly South West a very wet afternoon & heavy Thunder arrived at the River deplain said to be fifteen Miles & camped.

Wednesday May 12th 1790. Sett off from the River deplain which runs from the North our Course down the Illinois River South West passed La Croix & after Les Arbres seek a pass that goes in a small Lake to the South East & by this pass its said to be three Leagues to little Kenomuk³¹ on the Lake this about 11 oClock. passed the petite & Grand Tosil & afterwards the long Rapid & came to the Villiage of Mount Juilliett³² the Course South West a high hill at West resembling Fort Lernolt at Detroit passed afterwards the Lake following & camped. here Morras informed me not to be surprized that there was so much Danger he would not return with me. Lamorand said he was to make the Voyage with him & if he did not return he would not.

Thursday May 13th 1790. Finding the Goods not dry enough & very warm Weather coming on remain'd to dry them better in the Afternoon threatened Rain & we were obliged to take them in.

Friday May 14th 1790. Remained & finished drying the Goods & pack'd up. Belhumour a Frenchman settled among the Indians stop'd to pass the Villiage at the Forks with us near Night a heavy Thunder Storm

Saturday May 15th 1790 Loaded & set off passed the Villiage at the Forks³³ the Chief & Villiage in Feast & Goodhumour gave him a little Tobacco & powder & he said he should be ready to assist me bought five Sacks of Corn for 4 shirts & powder & paid Belhumour with powder

³⁰ Called Mud Lake by the early settlers. Gurdon S. Hubbard's autobiographical narrative of his fur trade career (Chicago, 1888) presents vivid pictures of his experiences in passing this portion of the Chicago portage.

³¹ The Little Calumet River.

³² Mount Jolliet was a striking natural formation in the shape of a huge mound which was usually mentioned and frequently described by early travelers in this region.

³³ The juncture of the Des Plaines with the Kankakee, from which point the united streams take the name Illinois.