

of the River aux Raisin yeoman to the Said Sheriff Directed, I the Said Gregor M^cGregor took in Execution as belonging to the Said Etienne Laviolette a Certain Piece of Land Situate at the Said River Raisin Containing four Acres in front by forty acres in Depth more or less bounded in front by the Said River Raison & behind by unlockated lands adjoining on the South east Side to Piere Martin¹⁷ and on the North west Side to Jean Baptist Morrins¹⁸ land with a Dwelling house & a Barn thereon Erected Which Said Premisses were adjudged to the Said John Askin as being the last and highest bidder at the Sum of fifteen Pounds Twelve Shillings & Six pence Currency of the Province after the usual advertisements as Required by Law. Now This Indenture Witnesseth That I the Said Gregor M^cGregor for and in Consideration of the Said Sum of fifteen Pounds Twelve Shillings and Six pence Currency afore Said to me in hand Paid by the Said John Askin have bargained Sold Granted aliened and Confirmed and by these Presents, as Sheriff for the Said District Do bargain Sell Grant aliene and Confirm unto the Said John Askin his heirs and assigns

Detroit, known as Côte de Misère. Judith Prudhomme was buried at Sandwich, Nov. 4, 1780. Etienne Laviolette married (second) Margaret Angelica Descomps *dit* Labadie, at Sandwich, April 18, 1785. The bride was the widow of Martin Levry and the daughter of Pierre Descomps *dit* Labadie and Angelica Lacelle. Laviolette removed to the River Raisin at some date prior to 1791, where his wife was buried, Oct. 2, 1802, and he himself on Feb. 7, 1807. By his first marriage Laviolette left several children, and numerous subsequent descendants. Denissen, *op. cit.*

¹⁷ James Levry married Mary Tardy, and to them was born a son, Martin, in 1736. He married at Detroit, Jan. 22, 1759, Margaret Angelica Descomps *dit* Labadie, born at Montreal, Sept. 6, 1738, daughter of Pierre Descomps *dit* Labadie and Angelica Lacelle. They had several children, born at Detroit in the years 1758 to 1764. The wife outlived Levry and married (second) Etienne Laviolette, noted above. The eldest child of Martin Levry and Angelica Descomps *dit* Labadie was Pierre Levry *dit* Martin, the person here noted. He was born at the Coast of the Potawatomi, Detroit, Nov. 13, 1759, and buried at St. Antoine, River Raisin, Aug. 9, 1832. He married Mary Frances Cardinal, and to them were born at least two children, baptized at Detroit in 1791 and 1793. Denissen, *op. cit.*

¹⁸ There were two distinct lines of Morins represented in Detroit and vicinity. One line was descended from Pierre Morin, born in 1669, a native of the diocese of St. Brieux, France, who came to Canada and on Feb. 22, 1694, married Magdelene De l'Espinay at Beauport. The other, and more numerous line, was descended from Noël Morin, born in Brittany in 1616, who married at Quebec, Jan. 9, 1640, Helena Des Portes, widow of William Hebert and daughter of Pierre Des Portes and Frances Langlois. Many descendants of this couple were residents of Detroit and vicinity in the later eighteenth century and subsequently. The Jean Baptiste Morin mentioned herein has not been identified.