

Value. as he did not return to this Post after I received the acc^t of sales, his acc^t with me went on without any notice being taken of what his packs neated, Untill about nearly two years ago he reminded me by letter of this circumstance and even, in a note of hand he gave my agent for the Ball^e then supposed due me he Inserted a condition relative to the sales of said Furrs a copy of which note I here Inclosed. I then recollected the whole matter which realy for some time had Escaped my memory and drew a fair statement of his acc^{ts} with me charging him with what his Peltries neated less than the estimated value, which account with a letter dated the 6th of May last I sent him per Monsieur Tousaint Dubois requesting his conformation of the Ballance in my favour of £735.9.1 N.Y.Cur. which if not then convenient to discharge he would Experience from me such Indulgence as he had before received; to this letter I have not received any answer tho I have no doubt he must have got it. Surely to an Honest man it should make no difference whether he finds himself more or less in dept [debt] than he supposed. What I have to request of you is, that as my Attorney you call on him & request his acknowledgement of the aforesaid Ball^{ce} which by the account I transmitted him you will see is fairly and justly due, & let me know his answer, for in case of refusal, I will furnish you with such proofs as will put [it] in your power to recover the sum, & were [where] any thing unfair is meant I'm & allways have been determined to sue should it cost me half the original Sum. There is one deficiency in settling with the Widow Gamlin¹⁴ which is she Offers certain property in Order to get a discharge from M^r Sharp, M^r Adhemar & myself the two latter I could answer for as M^r Adhemar gave over his property to me,

¹⁴ For sketch of the Gamelin family of Detroit, see *B. H. R.*, I, 27-28. Two of the sons of Laurence Eustache Gamelin and Mary Joseph Dudevoir, there mentioned, in mature life became prominent residents of Vincennes: Pierre, born in Detroit on Aug. 31, 1752; and Paul, who was born, Nov. 1, 1757. Paul Gamelin was one of the militia who volunteered for Governor Hamilton's expedition against Vincennes in the autumn of 1778, which probably marks the occasion of his first visit to that place. Pierre Gamelin was already a resident of Vincennes, where in July, 1778, he married Ursule Vaudry of that place. Another permanent Vincennes resident in this period was Joseph Antoine Gamelin, who was probably a second cousin of Paul and Pierre. He was also their brother-in-law, for he married in Detroit, Nov. 24, 1766, Mary Catherine, daughter of Laurence Eustache Gamelin and Mary Joseph Dudevoir. Genealogical data from Denissen, *op. cit.* On Joseph Antoine Gamelin, see also note in *B. H. R.*, I, 320-21.