

conditions you mention according to our agreement, with the exception of those contained in the said statement which proceed from the partnership of Messrs. Pothier⁶⁷ & Adhémar. I think Mr. Pollard⁶⁸ has charge of that matter and must have a record of it.

Mrs. Adhémar is very sensible of the kind remembrances of Mrs. Askin and yourself. She returns you a thousand thanks, in which I join her, and wishing you both good health,

I have the honor to remain, Sir,

Your very humble servant,

Adhémar St. Martin⁶⁹

SALE OF INDIAN LAND GRANT BY GABRIEL HUNOT
Detroit

PARDEVANT François Desruisseaux Bellecour Notaire, au Detroit, y résidant, et Témoin Soussignés, Fut présent le Sieur Gabriel Hunault Marchand Tretteur, de présent en cette ville, lequel reconnoit par ces présentes avoir vendu, cédé, quitté, transporté, et délaissé, dès maintenant et a toujours, avec Garantie de Ses propres faits, de Ses Hoirs et ayans Cause ainsi que de toutes, dettes, Hipotèques, Eviction, et aliénations qu'elconques; au Sieur John Askin Ecuyer, a ce présent, et acceptant acquéreur, pour lui Ses

67 Presumably Jean Baptiste Toussaint Pothier, who was born in Montreal, May 16, 1771. His father, Louis Toussaint Pothier, was a prominent merchant of Montreal and one of the founders of the North West Company. The son entered upon the western trade in early manhood, and for many years was one of the most active British traders in the Northwest. He was active in the affairs of the Mackinac Company, and in 1811, when John Jacob Astor organized the South West Company with a view to strengthening his hold upon the western trade, Pothier was one of the British merchants taken into the new organization. Notwithstanding this alliance, Pothier remained staunchly British, and on the outbreak of the War of 1812 he bore a leading part in the activities which resulted in the capture of Mackinac and the subsequent downfall of American authority in the Northwest. Pothier lived in Montreal, where he was long a prominent citizen. He was for many years a member of the Legislative Council of Lower Canada, and for shorter periods belonged to the Executive Council and the Special Council. He died, Oct. 22, 1845. See biographical sketch in *Bull. Recherches Hist.*, XXVI, 223-24; documents in *Mich. Pio. Colls.*, *passim*, especially XV, 141-44; and William F. Coffin, *1812: The War and Its Moral* (Montreal, 1864), 45-46.

68 Richard Pollard, for sketch of whose career see *B. H. R.*, I, 252. On May 8, 1782, Felix Graham wrote from Lachine to Thomas Williams in Detroit, introducing Pollard as "a gentleman of merit." Ms. in B. H. Coll. Presumably this fixes the time of Pollard's advent in the western country.

69 For the career of Toussaint Adhémar dit St. Martin, see *B. H. R.*, I, 177-78.