

& Selery the grubs have entirely destroyed). I have been verry unsuccessful w^h the two yews I brought w^h me they had two lambs each, & after feeding the old ones well w^h Turnips & paying great attention & attendance they all died I am again with my old stock to commence raising
De nouveaux

Brush disappointed me. he was to have sent me a Barr^l of Cyder if not two. he could as well Smuggle Cyder to our side as wine to his. If he had sent it to Makina addressed to Doc^t Mitchel & wrote the Doc^t that it was intended for me it would have been in my store House long ago. We have a method in this Quarter, unknown below how to import & export into the U. S. Per the *Nancy* youll receive a keg of Sugar marked in your Name which I send you & one keg mark'd P address'd to your Care which is intended for M^{rs} Peltier & Several things which are intended as addressed in a Bundles marked in your Name

19th M^r W^m M^cGilvery⁶⁴ & M^cKay accompany by Count Chabot arrived from Montreal yesterday M^r M^cKay informed me that Jⁿ B^{te} Cadot⁶⁵ was appointed by S^r John Johnson to be Interpreter in my stead & that M^r Todd dined w^h those Gentlemen at LaChine & was greatly displeased at S. J. J. for having taken that appointment from me. I once esteemed hopes that fortune would favour & enable me to pay my debt but Alas the Wheel is turn'd again & unless the Clerkship is added to Storekeeper I cannot live on a Dollar per day & will have to abandon this, which will be verry hard after going to such expence as I have in getting my little property. I cannot comprehend the meaning of appointing a Man in my stead without notifying to me the reason, Unless that S^r John has been displeased at the L^t Gov^r having appointed me instead of

⁶⁴ For the career of William McGillivray, see *B. H. R.*, I, 533-34.

⁶⁵ For the Cadotte line, see *ibid.*, 52. The precise family connection of Jean Baptiste, here mentioned, has not been determined. Evidently he is the individual whom Sir James Craig, on May 11, 1808, directed Lieutenant-Governor Gore to appoint as interpreter at St. Joseph in place of Askin, whom Sir James had been informed was "not well qualified." *Mich. Pio. Colls.*, XXV, 247. About the end of January, 1810, Captain Thomas Dawson, commanding at St. Joseph, summarily removed Askin as storekeeper and appointed Cadotte to replace him. This action was repudiated by Governor Gore, who characterized Cadotte as unfit for the place by reason of his habits of extreme intemperance. See *ibid.*, XXIII, 84, 86.