

Mr Bap^t Barthe³⁶ & myself with some others went over in the same boat and landed below Brownstown. Alex M^cKee had his [horse] crossed and I had another taken over he had lent me. we waited some time here, for the Indians to join us, at length *Tecompse* with a few others came to us. a Gun Boat commanded by Mr Bender³⁷ of the 41st Reg^t came over—we all that is the Gent[lemen] embarked in the Gun Boat and got under way our horses were sent on by land. when we got near the Point au Roche³⁸ it blew Rather hard and it was thought dangerous to go round the Point. we therefore put into River Huron but how long we staid here I do not know; for I believe I was a sleep when we left

Thursday Morn^g 20th Got early in the morn^g to Rocky River.³⁹ Rained a good deal this Morn^g & I believe it did last night but I was under cover du[r]ing the night and not exposed to it. We got into two houses that were deser[ted] we made fires in them, and got some breakfast. three other boats were with us here, all under Bender's command. Cap^t Elliott⁴⁰ and his Son Alexr joined us here the[y] came on horseback with a number of Indians we most all got horses and Rode to River Raizin where we arrived about 10 or Eleven O'clock A. M. We went towards the Blockhouse but finding that the Block house was open; and nothing in it we returned to Mr Lassel's⁴¹ where we got Breakfasst

see *B. H. R.*, I, 15, 376. At the outbreak of the war, Alexander was a second lieutenant in the First Lincoln Artillery Company. On June 8, 1813, he was appointed lieutenant in the Indian Department, and on June 25, 1814, was promoted to a captaincy. See Irving, *op. cit.* The date of his birth has not been found, but since his parents were married in April, 1797, he must have been a very youthful officer.

³⁶ Apparently Jean Baptiste Barthe, who was born in Detroit on Oct. 18, 1779, eldest child of Jean Baptiste Barthe and Geneviève Cuillerier *dit* Beaubien, for whom see *B. H. R.*, I, 74. He was a first cousin of the diarist, his father being a brother of Mrs. John Askin. He was a lieutenant in the First Essex Militia, and according to Irving, *op. cit.*, died later in the year 1812.

³⁷ Lieutenant Benoit Bender of the Forty-first Regiment. In a report of Sept. 10, 1812, Colonel Procter states that the boats and engagés of the South West Company had been taken into the public service and Lieutenant Bender had been placed in charge. See *Mich. Pio. Colls.*, XV, 146.

³⁸ Modern Stony Point in Frenchtown Township, Monroe County, about midway between the mouths of the Huron and Raisin rivers.

³⁹ Modern Stony Creek.

⁴⁰ Apparently the diarist intended to write Captain McKee.

⁴¹ Presumably Jacques Lacelle, for whom see *ante*, 34.