

or Nis-so-wa-quet and Pontiac were of the number; nor do I know how large a band my grandfather led from the North-West; but I remember his saying, that when they assembled at Fort Du Quesne, the total number of French and their Indian allies amounted to not far from fifteen hundred; and my strong impression is, that nearly all the Indian force was composed of the bands led forth by my grandfather, the *Sieur Charles De Langlade*. Among his party, who served under him on this and most of his subsequent campaigns during the war, were his brother-in-law *Souligny*, his brave nephew *Gautier De Ver-ville*, *Pierre Caree*, *La Choisie*, *La Fortune*, *Amable*, *De Gere*, *Philip De Rocheblave*, *Louis Hamline*, and *Machar*. The latter was my father's uncle, and the grandfather of the present *Mrs. Rosalie Dousman*, of *Lake Shawanaw*.

Upon their arrival at Fort Du Quesne, spies were sent out to discover the enemy's approach, and they soon returned, reporting that *Braddock's* army was within a half a day's march of the *Monongahela*, cutting a road as they advanced. It was determined that *M. Beaujeu*, with what French could be spared, and the Indian force under *De Langlade*, should go out and meet the enemy at the *Monongahela*, and attack them while crossing that stream. The English got to the south bank of the *Monongahela* about noon, halted and prepared for dinner; while the French and Indians were secreted on the other shore. *De Langlade* went to *Beaujeu* and told him no time should be lost, but that the attack should be at once commenced. *Beaujeu* made no reply. *De Langlade* then called the chiefs together, and desired them to go to *Beaujeu*, and demand orders to commence the battle. No reply was made to this demand. Then *De Langlade* went himself, and urged the necessity of at once attacking the English, saying to *Beaujeu*, that if he did not intend to fight at all, then it was well to act as he did, but if fighting was to be done, then was the time to do it, while the English were eating,