

Renards, among them Bardack, a chief, with news that the Americans, seen at the Riviere des Moines, were those driven back from the Rock River, who put ashore to bury some of their dead.

They also complained hard of Capt. Dease not giving them any powder on his way down. They also came to inquire about a report circulating amongst them, that the Sioux were assembled to go to war against the Renards and Sauks. This report was fabricated by the bands of the Jeune Homme, or Young Man, and Tonnerre Noir, or Black Thunder, Renard Yankee chiefs, to irritate those nations against the Sioux, and by this means to dis-affect our Sauks and Renards. I contradicted the report, and told them it sprung from the Little Corbeau having sent word to the Tonnerre Noir and Jeune Homme, when they heard of his coming down the river, to be out of the way, for his Father at Mackinaw told him to cut down everything American that he found in the road, no matter what color or size. In the evening interpreter Renville arrived from above. The Little Corbeau, with one hundred of his warriors, would not remain above to hunt, lest his presence might be necessary here sooner than word could reach him from me. He, therefore, will be here tomorrow, and appears to be determined to remain till his Father arrives from Mackinaw.

WEDNESDAY, Sept. 28th.—At eleven o'clock, the Little Corbeau arrived with one hundred men and their families. With all his young men, he called upon me, gave me a soldier's pipe and every assurance of his fidelity, and insists, that when Robert Dickson arrives, he will go to work with his warriors, to exterminate what Indians about here that adhere to the Americans. It was with much difficulty that the Feuille or Leaf with the assistance of Mr. Renville, who I sent up for that purpose, prevented Little Corbeau's falling upon the Renards above this. However, he promises to be quiet till his Father, Robert Dickson, arrives; then he, with the Feuille, will insist upon beginning with the Gens de la Feuille.

I only said to him, that his having been to Mackinaw, rendered it unnecessary for me to give him any advice, or tell him his Father's orders; but requested him not to permit his young men to