

FRIDAY, Oct. 14th.—Nothing of consequence, except that the vagabond, the Tonnerre Noir, arrived. He neither showed his flag, nor called upon me.

SATURDAY, Oct. 15th.—Having borrowed a keg of gunpowder some days ago from Mr. Giard, for use in case of necessity, and finding no other means of encouraging the farmers to make flour, I gave it to Capt. Dease to exchange for flour or other provisions.

SUNDAY, Oct. 16th.—Practicing at the target was the means of expending much ammunition, left it off; but had the men drilled. In the evening two Folles Avoine women arrived from Green Bay, one month on the passage. They say Robert Dickson was to be at the Bay about the 1st of October; that he was bringing with him a number of Court Oreilles, all the Folles Avoines, and upwards of one hundred soldiers; that the Nancy had taken two American vessels, and that the Sarcel was the first Indian that got on board, for which he got a wampun collar.

MONDAY, Oct. 17th.—Began the northeast Block-House. The Renards made a straw man, or a man of straw, and challenged the Sioux to strike upon him, which they did and gave them a number of their arms, utensils, and fineries. Bought six cords of wood from Champegne which I have not yet paid him for. In the evening Lieut. Graham returned, bringing with him Mr. Rolette, from Mackinaw, who brought me letters from Col. McDouall, etc. As time will not admit of my copying they are filed in the desk.

TUESDAY, Oct. 18th.—Began to write letters, to send off Lieut. Graham with them. At four o'clock in the afternoon, fired a royal salute for the good news from Mackinaw.

WEDNESDAY, Oct. 19th.—As I received orders from Col. McDouall to discharge the Green Bay Volunteers, I did so. I got money from Mr. Rolette to pay them off. I issued a proclamation that neither provisions nor lead should go out of this post, knowing that an order was sent here from Green Bay, and the demands we had for those articles for the Government, were my reasons.

THURSDAY, Oct. 20th.—The Little Corbeau called a council, when he notified us that part of the Sioux were going to return