

will be active in getting all the guns and swivels in the highest order as expeditiously as possible.

AUGUST 21st.—Ordered that blacksmiths be employed to do such work as is necessary about the guns.

AUGUST 22nd.—Ordered, that all accounts, of flour and other articles borrowed, be settled, or made out, by the 25th inst.

AUGUST 23rd.—Ordered, that as Chesier, the blacksmith, is idle, and does not work as he ought to do, another blacksmith be employed and having no tools, will make use of Chesier's shop, etc., till the work necessary about the guns be finished.

AUGUST 24th.—Ordered, that two Lieutenants of the Indian Department, namely, Lieut. Graham and Lieut. Brisbois, and three interpreters, namely, Augustin Rock, I. B. Guillroy, Francois Bouchre *dit* La Malice, with bombardier Keating, eight Michigan Fencibles, and sixteen of the Volunteers, with a brass three-pounder, and two swivels in the gun-boat, and a barge, be all ready to march the 27th inst., on an expedition against the Americans, in order to meet them on their way up here at the Rock River, and assist the Sauk nation of Indians in the preservation of their wives and children.

Lieut. Graham will take the command. The Commissary will issue fifteen days full rations of pork, and five days full rations of flour. Interpreter Renville will leave this place early tomorrow morning, and proceed with all haste, to the chief of the Feuilles, and inform him of the expedition going below, and tell him that I request he will come down immediately, with as many of his young men as he can possibly spare, and go down and assist the Sauks; and at the same time to tell him to send word to the Little Corbeau, etc., to move this way immediately; but to remain about the Prairie a la Crosse, till further orders, and as soon as the Little Corbeau arrives there, he will send word and let me know, and Mr. Renville will return here as soon as possible.

AUGUST 25th.—Ordered, that the Sauk chief, Thomas, leave this place tomorrow morning, for the Sauks at Rock River to inform them, that an expedition will leave here on the 27th, for that place. Lieut. Graham will have everything ready to march at eight o'clock on that day. The men in general, going on the