

We hereby direct all traders to return together from their winter quarters, and in case that some arrive or start before the others, they shall pay a fine of four hundred francs.

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Dumais, Knight of the Royal and Military Order of St. Louis, Captain of Infantry, Commander of the Belle Riviere (Ohio River) and its dependencies:

“It is ordered to Sieur Langlade, Ensign of infantry, to set out at the head of a detachment of French and Indians, to strike Fort Cumberland. In case the Indians determine to leave the main route, Sieur Langlade will detach a few reserves, with a company of French to follow them—the principal object of his mission being to ascertain if the enemy is inaugurating any movement in this quarter.

“He will march with precaution and watchfulness, in order to avoid all surprise and ambuscade. If he attacks with the Indians, he must do all in his power to prevent them from inflicting any cruelties upon those who may fall into their hands.

“DUMAIS.”

Written at FORT DU QUESNE, Aug. 9, 1756.

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*Pierre Rigaud de Vaudreuil, Governor and Lieutenant-General for the King, in all his New France, lands and territories of Louisiana:*

We order Sieur Langlade, Ensign of troops, to leave this city immediately, and to proceed to the post of Michilimackinac, where he will serve in the capacity of second officer, under the orders of Monsieur de Beaujeu, Commander of the post.

VAUDREUIL.

Made at MONTREAL, September, 1757.

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MONTREAL, May 8, 1758.

*La Sieur Giasson:*

MONSIEUR.—I will not leave you in ignorance of the arrangements that I have made to reimburse you for the supplies that you have advanced to the Indians in passing through to Detroit.