

seldom, I hope you will open your stores and give us more presents than you do to other Indians who visit you annually. Now I speak to you, my father, in hopes you will be charitable to us, and give us something to take to our wives and children. They are expecting to be warmed by the clothing of their Great Father."

Taking some strings of wampum, he added: "*Father!*—I got this from the White Elk (Capt. McKee) to open a smoother path from our country to all your fires. I spoke to the Pottawatomies with it, and they were happy to accede to our proposals of friendship. Now, my father, we have always obeyed your voice, and will ever listen to your counsels. With regard to the Indians, we have a good road from our country to your fires; but there are whites who appear strong, and tell us they will not allow us to see you any more. Should that be the case, we will be miserable. But if the road continues good, as Capt. McKee told us it would, we will see you every day (year)." Delivered the wampum.

Answer of the Superintendent:

"*Children!*—I have listened to your discourse—every word has entered into my ears. When you came here, three days (years) ago I gave you, of your Great Father's bounty, a much greater proportion than I did to other Indians, and told you your presents would in future be given to you at Amherstburg. You were displeased. You went away dissatisfied. I have again, this year, treated you well. You appear dissatisfied still, and want more. I now tell you that your presents are at Amherstburg, and that in future you must go there if you wish to receive your Great Father's bounty. I have done everything in my power to please you and render you happy; but my efforts appear to have been thrown away upon you. Go home, and I do not wish to see dissatisfied children about me again. With respect to the road being stopped up, as you say, that is news to me. I do not know that any steps have been taken to effect that; and indeed if you behave yourselves, as I have always recommended you to do, I do not believe you will be hindered from seeing your Great Father's fires."