

garrison at Mackinac will be out by the month of February. I think that we shall still have fine weather towards the end of the moon. I have very little provision, but trust to a kind Providence. I think that Jean Vieux will be the most proper person to get down the boats. Keep a good look-out, as some of the Michigan Fencibles are great thieves and have threatened to kill animals at La Baye. If they do so, put them in irons immediately. Give Mr. Chandonnet a guide to return, when the boats are got off at Mackinac. I am, dear sir,

Yours truly,

R. DICKSON.

*Lieut. John Lawe, La Baye.*

*Per Lieut. Chandonnet.*

---

#### ASKIN TO GRIGNON

MICHILIMACKINAC, December —, 1813.

*Dear Sir:*—We have intelligence of Gen. Proctor's defeat. It appears that our army retreated to the river Thames after Amherstburg and Detroit were evacuated. Tecumseh, with his party—some Ottawas, Chippewas, Delawares, Sauks, Folle Avoines, and some Hurons followed. That as soon as the Americans reached Detroit, a number of Canadians and Indians joined the army, and pursued our people to the river Thames, where an engagement took place one mile below the Moravian Village, which lasted for two hours, when our army was compelled to make a precipitate retreat towards Queenston, leaving all their baggage behind. Our loss is said to be two subaltern officers and one hundred privates killed, two interpreters, and twenty-two Indians. Capt. Muir and one hundred privates of the Forty-First regiment prisoners; also one hundred and fifty Delaware women and children which the enemy took. I am sorry to say, that Antoine Brisbois, and Lewis Campau, interpreters, and Tecumseh, are among the number slain. The latter fought bravely to the last, sword in hand; the enemy skinned him after he was slain. Gen. Proctor and the remains of the army are at St. David's. These two Folles