

The 28th, the Sauteux of Manomanisk arrived and after resting I spoke to them thus:

My brothers, I announce to you on the part of your father that if you do not hasten to see him this year you will make him think that you are not his children and he will be angry.

He has a long Arm and very large hands.

He is good, he has a good heart when his children heed him.

He is bad, he is terrible, he sits in judgment on all the indians and french.

reply.

It is good that you tell us what our father has told you to tell us.

I am a chief I hope to go see him twice this spring.

I know that the chiefs are good, strong, bad [*sic.*] and that they can all [go?].

20th [March]. But there came a Sciouse who told me that the Sauteux not being so strong as they in winter quarters had made them a present of a little oil which they [the Sauteux] had prepared with poison, which had made them [the Sciouse] all sick.

24th. The runner from the River St. Pierre reported to me that the Scioux were asking for me.

26th. The punts mourned their comrade and sang. I was obliged to clothe the deceased in clothing — his family was composed of six persons, and I repeat that I found this matter of importance seeing that they did not act from self-interest.

27th, sabache arrived with 20 men.

28th, we all set out to go up the Mississippi and put our canoes with our baggage.

7th April, I arrived at River St. Pierre where I found S^r

querre que toute la nation du Mississippi auroient soutenu si je ny avois remeaié et m'en auroit il couté davantage que j'aurois toujours assayé a les arreter.—ED.