

I am now in Treaty with the Ottawas about furnishing their quota to cut off the Rebels at Post St. Vincents, but as they are under the management of two Chiefs, the one a drunkard and the other an avaricious trader, I met with Difficulties in bringing it about. Thirty Saguinah Warriors are here in readiness to join them, and the Island Band can furnish as many more.

The enclosed papers will show Your Excellency the arts practiced on the Indians by the Rebels, & French Emis-saries.

I have the honour to be Sir, Your Excellency's most obed<sup>t</sup> & most Humble Servant

PAT<sup>r</sup> SINCLAIR

Michilimackinac 29<sup>th</sup> May 1780.

L<sup>t</sup> Gov<sup>r</sup>.

P. S.—Serjt. Phillips of the 8<sup>th</sup> Reg<sup>mt</sup> who has my war-rant to act as the Lieut during Your Excellency's Pleasure will Garrison the Fort at the Entrance of the Mississippi<sup>1</sup> Captain Hesse will remain at Pencour, Wabasha will at-tack Misere [Genevieve] & the Rebels at Kacasia. Two vessels leave this on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of June to attend Machig-wawish who returns by the Illenois River with Prisoners. The small Vessels remain at Milwaké with some provision after visiting the Pottawatamies [east] side of the Lake to give the alarm expected at St. Josephs, at least by Cheva-lier.

All the Traders who will secure the Posts on the Spanish side of the Mississippi during the next winter have my prom-ise for the Exclusive Trade of the Missouri During that time — and that their cannoes will be forwarded.

The two Lower Villages of the Illenois are to be laid un-der contribution for the support of their different Garrisons, & the two upper villages are to send Cattle to La Bay to be forwarded to this place to feed the Indians on their return.

A part of the Menominis who are come here, some Puants, Sacks & Rhenards go immediately to watch the Lead mines. Orders will be published at the Illenois for no per-son to go there, who looks for receiving Quarter, and the

<sup>1</sup> Prairie du Chien.— Ed.