

with your own knowledge and experience of Indians, you will communicate to them in the strongest terms.

Mr. Langlade Jun^r is to accompany you as Interpreter & I shall write to the other Interpreters in the Indian Countries to give you every assistance to accomplish the above to effect & enable me to fulfill His Excell^y the Commander in Chief's most ardent wishes to diminish the expenses of this Post.

I wish you success & a safe return home.

I am, Sir, Your most obed^t & Hum^l Servant

(Signed) DAN^t ROBERTSON

Cap^{tn} 84th Reg^t.

To Mr. Geo. McBeath.

ROBERTSON TO MATHEWS.

MICHILIMAKINAC 27th April 1783.

SIR,—Having an opportunity to [send to] Detroit, I enclose you a copy of my instructions to Mr. McBeath for His Excellency the Commander in Chief's consideration, he sets out in a day or two as the weather is very favorable. I have the honor to be with Regard Sir, Your most obed^t & humb^l Serv^t

DAN^t ROBERTSON

Cap^{tn} 84th Reg^t.

Capt. Mathews.

REPORT OF A COUNCIL AT PRAIRIE DU CHIEN.

[Translated from the French by Grace Clark.]

LA PRAIRIE DU CHIEN May 24th 1783.

The Renards, Sacques, Scieux, Puants and Folles avoines held a council in this village in consequence of the Word which was sent them by their Father at Michilimakinac through M. George Mcbeath.

Speech of the Renards. Vimotolaque the great chief speaks:—My Father the english, I pray you to hear from me, all that I am going to tell you, I wish you good day, it is very true that you give us life to-day, you do us Kindness to drive away all dark clouds.