

from Detroit, and the troops have all left except one hundred men who are left there to deliver up that post to the British who are in very great force at the mouth of the river Thames; that Fort Wayne was evacuated except ten men, and all kinds of property both public and private, had been taken away, and the ten men thus left have told the Indians that they will shortly go from thence also.

About the latter end of last month a Kickapoo Indian passed through the village of Sandy Creek from Rock River on his way to the Kickapoos who are with Gen. Harrison, to take them all from thence to Rock River, and says the Fort of Prairie du Chien has been taken by the Indians, and not twenty Americans made their escape in a boat, the remainder have either been killed or taken prisoners.

According to agreement, two Guns were fired off this morning to acquaint Gomo that there was an arrival from St Louis, but no person has come down from the village, and as Fourinier appears pressing, I don't wish to detain him any longer.

---

FORSYTH TO EDWARDS.

ST LOUIS, Aug. 20, 1814.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 16<sup>th</sup> of June on the 18<sup>th</sup> inst from the hands of Gen. Howard.

On the 11<sup>th</sup> inst, Gomo, with twelve or fifteen other Indians arrived at Fort Clark, and informed me of the disasters that have taken place at Prairie du Chien and Rapids of Lamoine, all of which I am certain you are better informed than I am. On my supposing to Gomo, that the British would shortly come and take Fort Clark, he said, how can they come? You know the waters are too low in the rapids for craft to come down. Suppose said I they come down to the mouth of Rock River, you know the distance is not great (90 miles) to come across? true, said he, but I believe their intention is to go down the Mississippi. He informed me that since the affair at Prairie du Chien, the Saukies, Kickapoos, Foxes and Winnebagoes have received from the