

great attachment those Indians have to him that he had better be caressed at present than otherwise—Charlot Lassossissay the Iroquois came also with them and conducts them to Montreal. This Indian speaks good french and is a good subject Mr Langlade sent him with Therry [Thierry] to St Josephs to raise the Pottawatamies where he fell sick, but nevertheless was indifatigable in bringing over those Indians at another time those gentry would require a good Let down for past offenses and some very recent ones but at Present no nation requires more tender treatment their coming in I hope is a step towards future good behaviour.

Gautier is this instant arriving with the Sawks and Raynards I must therefore hurry them them off before they see each other as a meeting will be rather inconvenient at Present and may greatly protract this Voyage.

Gautier it seems has been employ'd by Mr Langlade to bring those Indians in here I can count in the Canoes to the number of thirty two.

I am &c &c &c

(signed)

A. S. DE PEYSTER.

P. S. I have enclosed the examination of the Minomies goods to Mr Langlade by which there appears to have been a most Scandalous Imbarrelment.

Indorsed:—"Copy of a Letter from Major Arrant Schuyler Depeyster dated Michillimakinac 13th of June 1777. In Sir Guy Carletons (No 28) of 9th July 1777. (4)"

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LIEUT. GOV. HAMILTON<sup>1</sup> TO CARLETON.

DETROIT 15th June 1777.

I have the honor to inform your Excellency, that the Ottawas, Chippawas, Pouteowattamis, Hurons, Miamis, are come to this place and are to meet in Council on Tuesday next. There are also some Shawanese, Delawares, Quashtanows, but a few in Number.

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<sup>1</sup> For sketch of Col. Henry Hamilton, British Lieutenant Governor and Superintendent of Indian Affairs at Detroit, and explanation of this massing of Indians at the Northwestern posts, see *Ibid.*, p. 98, note 3.—Ed.