

Captain Anderson will continue to command & be included in the Pay Lists of his company of volunteers until the ratification of his appointment; and Captain Bulger will likewise be pleased to place the Detachment of Michigan Fencibles under his orders. He will state to them the Lieutenant Colonel's extreme regret & mortification, that the men from whose former conduct he had expect much, whom he had reason to praise, and that highly too, more than once for their gallantry should suddenly forfeit their reputation by the commission of one of the most heinous crimes a soldier can be guilty. He however, confidently trusts, that under the active and judicious officer appointed to command them, an opportunity will occur, for again signaling their courage in the field, & thereby do away the disgrace which has befallen them in quarters. This is the only mode of attoning for their transgression, & of effectually restoring them to the Lieutenant Colonel's good opinion.

JHO. RADENHURST,
Fort Adjutant.

FROM M'DOUALL.

MICHILIMACKINAC 26th Feb^y 1815.

SIR—The measures which you found it necessary to adopt, upon the unfortunate occasion of the murder of Mr. Rolette's men, appear to me to have been absolutely necessary to the future preservation & tranquility of the Country, & this act of summary justice will I trust have the good effect which you hope for. Tho' perhaps it would have been [desirable] to have made the execution of the murderer appear to have been the act of the Indians themselves—this would not have admitted of cavil & objection. I feel with yourself, the strong necessity which exists, that those in command at such a distance should be invested with adequate powers, in order that capital crimes may meet with prompt & immediate punishment. This shall be strongly represented accordingly.