

yet I am impressed with the belief that he speaks the truth — We have many loyal and well affected Indians on the shores of Lake Michigan, who must not in future be so entirely neglected.

I send you a newspaper, giving all the particulars of the late negotiations. You will announce this intelligence to the Indians in Grand Council with all the éclat & effect which you can give it, & which its singular importance to them, is so well calculated to inspire. I enclose a speech which you may add to, in any way that you think will make it more impressive. In fact, the ensuing summer will require no small dexterity and judgment in successfully managing them, amidst so many difficultys. Leave no means untried to excite their enthusiasm & perseverance, were it only for the next campaign which if we bring to a successful close (of which I have most sanguine hopes) all will be well & the game our own. Pay your court to *every one* that has influence with them, & engage them in promoting & encouraging in them the right disposition. Let no endeavors be wanting and whatever may be the result, let us at least have the proud consolation of knowing that we deserve success.

Yours always,

R. McDouall,

Lt. Col. Comg.

Captain Bulger,  
&c &c &c  
Fort McKay.

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#### M'DOUALL'S SPEECH TO THE INDIANS.<sup>1</sup>

*To The Folléavouines, Waynebaggoes, Ottawas, Chippawas, Sauks, Renards and Sioux.*

"MY CHILDREN!" — "The Great Chief Sir Geo. Provost who holds at Quebec the place of your Great Father The King, has lately sent me intelligence of great importance to your future welfare and prosperity, & which he has commanded me to circulate, and make known to all his Indian Children."

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<sup>1</sup>Enclosed and alluded to in the foregoing letter.— Ed.