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1767: CERTIFICATE TO A MENOMINEE

[Testimonial of Maj. Robert Rogers to Okimasay, dated July 3, 1767. Original MS. in Wisconsin Historical Library.]

MICHILLIMAKINAC, the 3rd July, 1767.

By Robert Rogers, Esq. Major and Commandant of his Majesty's Garrison of Michillimakinac & its dependencies. &c &c &c

Okimasay Folle Avoine having given to me and my Predecessors on many Occasions marks of his Attachment to the English Nation, and of his abilities in managing Affairs with regard to his Majesty among the Other Nations who are his Neighbours as well as the one he belongs to and with whom he has Credit

Therefore to make known to the English as well as the Indians how much we are satisfied with him, [MS. torn] and of his Great Service [MS. torn] with this warrant.

Recommending all the King of England's subjects who may meet with him to give him marks of their Friendship as it concerns the public tranquility in preserving the Indians Interest to his most Sacred Majesty—and order the said Okimasay to inform me of the affairs that may come to his knowledge and to give Advice to me or to the officers that may hereafter command at this post thereof, or at any time, any that may be sent amongst them, He having this day before me, entered into the strongest Engagements of [MS. torn] with his Brittish Majesty & for which I return him this Testimony of my Esteem

ROB.^t ROGERS

1767: TRADE AT LA BAYE

[Extract from a memoir submitted to the Board of Trade by Sir William Johnson. Reprinted from *N. Y. Colon. Docs.*, vii, pp. 974, 975.]

But on the other side we have now no post beyond *Detroit* except *Michilimackinac*, which tho' a place of much Trade and advantagiously situated, is far from answering the convenien-