

Grand River so Cald which Lead us to the Waters which Coms in to that River from the Southwest [Northwest]. We asended these waters & Makeing Som Careing Places we Came to a Small Lake Cald Nipasank [Nipissing] whose Waters fall into Lake Huron By the french River. We Desended that River and Coasted along the North Side of that Lake til we Came Oppaseat to Mackenac—then Crost the Streat to the Garrasson where I found my Goods from New York Had Arived Safe. Hear I Met with a Grate meney Hundred People of all Denominations—Sum trading with the tribes that Came a Grate Distans with thare furs, Skins & Maple Suga &c to Market. To these May be added Dride Venson, Bares Greas, and the Like which is a Considerable Part of trade. Others ware Imployd in Making up thare Equipments for to Send in to the Differant Parts of the Country to Pas the Winter with ye Indan tribes and trade what thay Git from the Hunt of ye Winter Insewing. I was one of this Discription. I Divided my Goods into twelve Parts and fited out twelv Larg Canoes for Differant Parts of the Mississippi River. Each cannew was mad of Birch Bark and white Seader thay would Carry seven Thousand wate.

*A Description of Macenac*—This Place is Kept up by a Capts. Command of British which were Lodged in Good Barracks within the Stockades whare thare is Som french Bildings & a Commodious Roman Church whare the french inhabitants & Ingasheas [Engagés] Go to Mass. Befoare it was given up to the British thare was a french Missenare [missionary] astablished hear who Resided for a number of years hear. While I was hear thare was None But traveling One who Coms sometimes to make a Short stay But all way in the Spring when the People ware ye Most numeras then the Engashea often went to Confes & git absolution. I had the next winter with me one who was adicted to theaving—he took from me in silver trinkets to the amount of ten Pound But I got them agane to a trifle. In the spring we found one of those Preasts at Mackenac who was Duing wonders among the People. My young Man Babbist who had Comited the theft Heard of it from his Comrads