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At the yousal time We prepard to Desend to the Planes of the Dogs—I Shall not Make Eney Observations upon these People Nor Planes til the Insewing Year when I had a fair Opertunity. The Waters Sun went of or fell and we Imbarkt & Drifted Down with the Currant till we Came to the Plane where we Saw a Large Colection from Eavery Part of the Misseppey who had arived Before us-Even from Orleans Eight Hundred Leages Belowe us. The Indans Camp Exeaded a Mile & a half in Length. Hear was Sport of All Sorts. We went to Colecting furs and Skins * * * By the Different tribes with The french ware Veray Numeres. There was Not Les than One Hundred and thirtey Canoes which Came from Mackenaw Caring from Sixtev to Eightev Hundred wate Apease all Made of Birch Bark and white Seder for the Ribs. Boates from Orleans & Ilenoa and other Parts ware Numeres. But the natives I have no true Idea of thair Numbers. Number of Packs of Peltrev of Different Sorts was Cald fifteen Hundred of a Hundred wt Each which went to Mackana. my outfits had Dun well. I had Grate Share for my Part as I furnish Much the Largest Cargo on the River. After all the Bisness Was Dun and People Began to Groe tirde of Sport, thay Began to Draw of for there Different Departments and Prepare for the Insewing winter.

In July I arived at Mackenaw whare I found my Partner Mr. Graham from New York with a Large Cargo. I had Dun So well that I Proposd to bye him Out of ye Consarn & take it on my Self. He Excepted and I Paid of the first Cargo and well on towards the One he had Brot me. Nothing Extrodneray worth Notis Hapend hear. Dureing my Stay I Apleyd my Self Closely to Ward fiting Out a Cargo for the Same Part of the Country. Hear was a Grate Concors of People from all Quorters Sum Prepareing to take thair furs to Cannadey—Others to Albaney & New York—Others for thare Intended Wintering Grounds—Others trade in with the Indans that Come from Different Parts with there furs, Skins, Suger, Grease, taller &c—while Others ware amuseing themselves in Good Com-