

Orders. I Complide on my Part to Grate advantage and asembled Eleven Chefes who went with me Besides a Number of Conscripted Men. By the Intarpretar I had the Speach Expland and the Intenshun of the Belts—and after we had got Ready for Saleing we all Imbarkt and went down the River to its Mouth. Hear we found Sum traders who Com from near the Head of the Misseppey with Sum Chipewa Chefes with them. I was Much Surprised to Sea them So Ventersum among the People I had with me for the Blod was scairs Cold—the Wound was yet fresh—But while we Stade thare a Young Smart Looking Chef Continued Singing the Death Song as if he Dispised thare threats or torments. After we had Made a Short Stay hear we Imbarkt for the Planes of the Dogs whare we joined a Vast Number of People of all Descriptions Wateing for me to Cum Down and go to Macanac to Counsel for these People Had never Bin thare or out of thare Countrey Except on a War Party. It Excited the Cureosatay of Everay Nation South of the Lake of the Woods and from that was a Number Chefes which was more than two thousand Miles. Indead the Matter was Intresting all Parties Espechaley to the trading Party for the following Reson—Each of these Nations are as much Larger than Eney of thare Nighbering Nations as the Inhabitans of a Sittay are to a Villeag and when thay are at Varans [variance] Property is not Safe Even traveling threw thare Countrey. When we Left the Plane of the Dogs Everay Canoe Made the Best of thare Way up Oconsen [Wisconsin] to the Portage and Got over as fast as thay could and Got over the Portage. While we ware on the Portage one of my men Informed me that thare was an Indan from St. Peters River that was in Morneing for his Departed friend and Wished me to take of the Morneing for he had Worn it long anuf I Desired he mite Cum to me which was Dun. He was Blacked with Cole from the fire—Hand & face. His Haire was hanging over his Eyes. I askd what I should Due for him. He Desird that his Haire mite be Pluckd out to the Crown of his Head, his face and hands washed and a white