British Regime in Wisconsin

Should give their heads the batonade;
These suck their paws, like Northern bears,
Exposing nothing but their ears,
To hear if Gautier de Verville³⁴
Doth crave assistance from Lafeuille
Or, if the Chippewas of the plains,
Draw near to Wabashaa's³⁵ domains,
While none on earth live more at ease,
Than Carong's³⁶ brave Menomenies.

Let Nonocassee styled the Beau,³⁷
Still fear to meet the threatening foe;
With Petouiwiskam³⁸ and his squa,
Shove off his boat for Saguina.
To lay neglet lines and set salt snares,³⁹
For cat-fish,⁴⁰ trout, and timorous hares:
To dry wild meat and hull their corn,
Which you will eat when you return.

Such men are fit for warriors' slaves,
Whose sons shall p — — s upon their graves.
'Till not one painted stake appear⁴¹

³⁴ Langlade's companion—they were both appointed captains.—A. S. DE P.

⁸⁵ The great Scioux chief .- A. S. DE P.

Comment by Ed. His French title was La Feuille; for a brief sketch see Wis. Hist. Colls., xvii, p. 323.

³⁶ A very clever fellow, chief of the nation of Minominees, the handsomest man among the Indians.—A. S. de P.

³⁷ A perfect Thersites, and a great fop.—A. S. DE P.

 $^{^{38}\,\}mathrm{The}$ fop's father, an old fellow in league with the French and Virginians.—A. S. de P.

³⁹ A thread, dipped in brine, is laid from the trap across their tracks, which they are so fond of licking, that it conducts them to their fate.—A. S. DE P.

⁴⁰ Cat-fish weigh from 10 to 90, and trout from 10 to 60 lbs.—A. S. DE P.

⁴¹ In the manner of a head-stone.—A. S. DE P.