

Mr. James Morison.

Sir,

Always susceptible to your kindness, I cannot but beg you once more to get involved in the bad treatment which Mr. Cartier still appears to want to give me as he said. However it would be necessary that you offer to pay him, since I made him a painful reproach at my place. Having come to see me, through interest, I believe, whatever be the case, Sir, I took care of his plans, in a way unexpected by all. Your interests, as well as your generous manner of behaving are too close to my heart, to suffer that you lose even a *sol* with me, on the contrary. Sir, rest assured that I will be the true guarantee of your property, & that I will not accept any but yours, which I have received myself, being a prey in the hands of a false friend, who in order to recover his debt, has convinced you of my honesty. He could have done so, but not in a manner as unjust and as disinterested, because by acting that way, he has hindered me to act freely in my little business, and he has deprived me of the honour and the satisfaction of completely living up to my word. Whatever the case, Sir, I beg you to be assured of this, & to believe me, sincerely,
Your very humble obedient servant.

[signed:] L. [?] Bernard.

[dated:] St. Charles, March 25th, 1790.

[address-leaf reads:] Mr. James Morison, merchant, at Montreal.

[footnote on envelope side reads:] by favour of Mr. Drolet.

[docketed:] Mr. Bernard, 25 March 1790.

Sir,

By the present, I have the honour to notify you that Mr. Jacques Cartier, merchant at St. Antoine, Chambly River, one of my creditors, having obtained judgment against me, had a notice served for a general execution [seizure of all property] eight days ago, but as he has not yet been able to succeed in his purpose, I feel obliged to write you immediately on the subject, for fear that you might lose with me, who have so many obligations to you, for all advances which you have had the generosity of making me. Mr. Cartier does not want to give me any delay, & in that extreme, I warn you to take immediately your precautions to divide with him the little I own, because if he continues to act with the same rigour, because after the judgment, execution, & arrest, I will only have left what the law allows me, without seeing the slightest glimmer of hope ever to be in condition to satisfy even the smallest portion of what I owe you, unless you give me the chance yourself by accepting the condition I propose you below. In this rigorous extreme, I propose you two things. One, to put yourself in agreement with my other creditors, with yourself or someone else as executor, duly authorized by you, as well as the others who are, like you, my creditors, so that you give me under your private seal, a delay of seven years, during which I will work with all my strength & will use all my talents, to give each of you according to his dividend, yearly the profit which I will have made. If that condition, which I hope, will be approved by your humaneness, does not please you; there only remains me to offer to you, what I owe, which you will divide as it will please you, each of you giving me acquittance for what I owe you; & if later on, Providence would allow me the means of making anything, I would use it to satisfy you. You see, Sir, the feelings of honesty with which I have resolved to act with you, until the last moment of my life. I expect everything from your goodness, & I will always be, with gratitude, Sir, Your very humble obedient servant.

[signed:] André Bernard.

[dated:] St. Charles, 11 April 1790.

[address-side reads:] Mr. James Morison, merchant, Montreal.

My dear Brother, Hoping that the present letter will find you in perfect health in the same manner it is leaving me, I take hold of the opportunity of Mr. Céré travelling to give you some of my news. You ought to know that I did well to go [to the *pays d'en haut*] this year, because I found an advantageous spot in the Illinois country, where I hope to make money which I can send to you every year so that you can hold it for me, because I will be very pleased when I return in a few years to find some money, and as I know you will take good care of it, I will send it to you. For this year, the ^{little} I have I will use it to buy some goods which have arrived in the Illinois country and I hope to make a good profit on it, because I hope that next spring you will receive at least twelve or fifteen hundred *francs*, I am sure. Embrace our dear family for me. The occasion is pressing; please excuse my writing.

I am, my dear brother-in-law, the one who ~~claims for~~ ^{SAYS} your good advice.

[signed:] Chs. Leonor Le Pallieur Junior.

[P.S.:] If you want to write me, take hold of the opportunity of Mr. Céré [being in Montreal]. He will only be in Montreal for eight days, and send your letters to the Illinois country.

[dated:] Michillimackinac, 6 August 1790.

[address-leaf reads:] Mr. James Morison, merchant at Montreal.

[docketed:] Mr. Lepallieur [sic], 6th Aug^t 1790.

Michillimackina, 10 August 1790.

My dear brother,

This will beyond any doubt be the last for this season. However, it will not be a long one, but only to wish you a good health as well as your dear family. My dear brother, as I have given a list of some articles to Mr. Winter to bring back to me next spring, that I beg you to be so kind as to tell him that as far as the two pieces of cloth I had asked him to bring me, to have shirts tailored out of them, and to have them decorated with the Baptiste [batik?] which I requested from him, because they will be easier to sell, because next year I will send you the little money I will have made in order to have held the merchandise which I will be needing then. Adieu, stay in good health and do me the pleasure of writing by hands of Mr. Céré, who will not be in Montreal for a long time.

I am, with respect, your faithful friend.

[signed:] Chs. Lr. Le Pallieur jr.

[address-leaf reads:] Mr. Mr. James Morison, merchant at Montreal.

[docketed:] Mr. Lepallieur, 10th Aug^t 1790.

Mackinac, 29 September, 1790.

My dear brother,

Hoping that the present letter will find you in as good health as it leaves me and which I wish to the little family. The great esteem which you have always shown me and which I beg you to maintain, obliges me toward you with an eternal gratitude which you deserve. I would believe to be disrespectful to you were I not to take hold of the opportunity of Mr. Bissonet[te]'s going down to Montreal, to fulfill my obligation toward you of the promise I have made to write you, and I hope you will receive the present letter as an agreeable surprise.

My dear brother, I hope you will be kind enough to write me next Spring and to give me the news of your country, as well whether there is any Revolution which may concern the trade of the lands here, and whether there is any change to the price of the goods; if you will do me this pleasure I will be infinitely grateful to you.

Having always followed the advise you gave me, today I am reaping the benefits thereof, and I will always claim that this is a consequence of your kindness to give me your advise. And this will be the means that I will always behave as an honest man. You can ask Mr. Winter how I behaved. And I hope, my dear, that you will have the pleasure to say that you have a brother-in-law who has feelings.

Send my respects to Mr. Winter and to your whole family. I am hurried by the circumstances; therefore I hope you will excuse me for my poor handwriting. I have nothing new to tell you, only that the ships have not arrived, that is the ships with the merchandise; and flour is very low because there is no longer any bread, but potatoes ... [last few words illegible].

I am, with respect, my dear brother, your obedient
[signed:] C.L. Le Pallieur.

[P.S.:] The ships have arrived this morning the 30th September. No [other] news.

[address reads:] To Mr. Mr. James Morison, merchant at Montreal.

[docketed in Morison's hand:] Mr. Pallieur, 7 [sic, i.e. 29] Sept'r 1790.

Mackinac, 20 July 1791.

My dear brother,

Hoping that the present letter will find you in as good health as it leaves me, I have received your favour dated 22 June last by the hands of Francis Winter on 18 July of the present month. Here is the second letter which I have the pleasure of writing you to assure you of my sincerity, and to thank you for your good feelings toward me.

In receiving your generous letter I have had the sad news to learn of the dangerous illness of our dear mother as well as the situation of our dear father; but my dear brother, we have to put ourselves in the mercy of the Supreme Being; His will be done and not that of men.

You ask me to give you news of the little things in my business. I have had all possible satisfaction as well as success and wish this year will be the same, let's hope. I have wintered at Grande Rivière; I have already sent my clerk ahead with two and a half pieces [?] of assorted blankets to trade with the Indians. I hope to join them in the beginning of next month if I receive my equipment from the son of Mr. Haword [~~Hayward~~, Howard?] in the canoes which have not yet arrived. I would be on the verge of leaving, had I not been cheated by Mr. David Rankin [?] who has made me believe that upon Mr. Winter's arrival he would fulfil my order, and Mr. Winter has sold to Dr. Michel what I was hoping to receive for my outfit from Mr. Rankin [?] and Winter. I have already received two pieces of assorted blankets from Mr. Rankin [?], but I hope I will not be cheated by Mr. Haword [~~Hayward~~, Howard] jr. He has told me to wait another eight days and that he was hoping to outfit me. It is a pity I have been cheated in this manner, but I hope next year I will not be cheated because I intend to come down in early Spring to go and outfit myself at Montreal, because we pay one hundred per cent too much, and we are overcharged on our invoices three quarters of the time.

My dear brother, in order to make some money in a few years, I would need to have a partner in Montreal to send me the merchandise and to receive my furs; I do not dare, my dear brother, offering you such a partnership for three years. You would fulfil the orders which I would send you and ship the merchandise to me, which I would go and sell while wintering during three consecutive years, and for which I would send you a faithful account. I would not make as many expenses as most of the traders for whom one has to buy fat, flour and sugar as well as the canoe [that is to carry these goods]. With few things, where I winter, we have just about all we need at little cost for the expenses at that post. With three [one word illegible] I am able to feed twenty-five men and myself every day, because since I am working for myself I have not spent one hundred franks [?]. I manage very well without bread, and do not drink any liquor or wine. It is not by making hundreds of expenses that one makes money; on the contrary this takes away all the credit of a young man, and I can assure you that my credit is good, because I have been offered goods by the English as well as by the French, but unfortunately I had trusted Mr. Rankin [?]. However, I will find [goods] with Mr. Coté and Mr. Campion, but the asking price is as much as retail in Montreal, and they hold an auction between a group of people who do not know any better. Moreover, dear brother, get information about my behavior from whomever you wish, and you will see whether I must deserve your esteem. But, my dear brother, if you consider it proper to outfit me without going into a partnership it will be just as well. For that matter I send you my order, either for a partnership or to outfit me, it is the same. If you have

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the feeling for it, send your answer by Mr. Cerée [?] or by the Detroit mail this winter. If you can fulfil the order for next Spring I will know whether I have to come down [to Montreal] or I will expect my order to be fulfilled, because if you fulfil my order I will not make the expense of coming down. If you can fulfil my order I should receive my goods at the beginning of July next at the latest, or it would be better in early Spring. If you want to make a partnership, all you have to do is have an act drawn up before a notary for a three year period, and once I am in town I will sign it on the conditions you will see fit, because I have great confidence in you. This is why I am convinced that I will always be involved with a gallant man.

It is impossible for me to send you any furs this year, since I have sold them and have paid what I owed for the merchandise which I bought on credit, and I have had to buy many things which are very necessary for trade, as well as many small wares for accounting purposes, as the assortment which I have sent with my clerk, who is a very agreeable man and who is well known by the [Six Indian] Nations. You can inform yourself about this from any person who knows him, because if I had had a sufficient variety, I would have made a good deal, because the furs have sold well. Enclosed herewith my order.

My dear brother, it is impossible that I write to my family, since I am working for some people, which does not leave me the time to write, but please assure my dear father and my dear mother of my friendship, that I embrace them and wish them a better health, as well as the whole family at home. To your little family my friendship, as well as my respects to Mr. Mauray [Murray?]. I am waiting for your news, my dear brother, and I expect painful news from my family. But God be lauded and His will be done, not mine. I will write you on the first occasion how I managed my small business, and from whom I will obtain my wares. Please excuse me if I write this badly; I am in a hurry.

You can address your letter at Mr. Carignan, notary and superintendent, at the post of Michilimakinac to have them forwarded to me. He can do so at any time.

My dear brother, it is with sincerity, that I am, your obedient servant.

[signed:] Charles Leonor Le Pallieur (with flourish).

[address-leaf reads:] To Mr. Mr. James Morison, merchant at Montreal.

[docketed in Morison's hand:] Letter from Mr. Lepallieur.

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McKinac, 25 July 1791.

My dear brother,

This letter is to assure you of my respects, hoping that it will find you in perfect health in the same manner it is leaving me. It is impossible for me to write you any news of the arrangement of my outfit since the canoes of Mr. Hawors [~~Hayward~~; Howard?] have not yet arrived at this post, but as soon as they will have arrived I will let you know about it. If it is in your power to send me an answer by hands of Mr. Céré on the subject of a letter which I have by hands of Mr. Quesnel, if however he arrives before the present letter. Notwithstanding, I have given orders to the bearer of the present letter if Mr. Quesnel does not arrive before him, to bring you the letter which I have written by hands of Mr. Quesnel, to which I hope you will make an answer. If it is in my power to send you some packs of red furs, I will do so, but the winds are so frequent on the Lake that I fear for their arrival at this post too late; however I have to hope I will be able to do so. On the subject I have noted in the letter which I have sent you by hands of Mr. Quesnel, I beg you to answer me, either through Mr. Céré or by the Detroit mail this winter. You will oblige him who will have a great obligation to you for it [i.e. Le Pallieur]. You ought to know that Mr. Henry has arrived at this post, and nobody wants to employ him according to his knowledge. And I am afraid that he will not find a job. I have had news from my family, and that my dear mother feels a lot better, as well as my dear father. Give my regards to your whole little family, and to Mr. Mauray [Murray?]. As news you ought to know that there has been a matter of honour [duel] between Mr. Agleby [Ogilvy] and lieutenant Roche of the Fifth Regiment. Mr. Agleby [Ogilvy] has gone to the field indicated by Mr. the lieutenant Roche with Mr. André [Andrew] Tood [Todd] his witness, and Mr. Roche has come without witness, stating that he had not been able to find a witness, but however has offered to fight. Mr. Agleby [Ogilvy] has acted as a gentleman and has said to him, that since he did not have a witness, to put the matter off for some other day. Since he had made him come to the field of honour, and that he wanted to have satisfaction. Those gentlemen have withdrawn to their respective quarters. And Mr. Roche has been to make all apologies which Mr. Agleby [Ogilvy] demanded from him. And Mr. Agleby [Ogilvy] has told him that he was obliged to be satisfied by those apologies, and Mr. Roche has gotten out of it in this manner. You will find me long in my letter.

My dear brother, I am, with esteem,

[signed:] Charles Leonor Le Pallieur.

[address-leaf reads:] To Mr. James Morisson, merchant, at Montreal.

[docketed:] Mr. Lepallieur.

My dear Brother,

I take hold of the opportunity to assure you of my respects and to note the good memories I have of you as well as of the whole little family. I hope that you have received the letters which I have sent you. You will know that I have been outfitted by Mr. Maldram [Meldrum] and he has acted very gallantly toward me. I hope that you will show him my thankfulness on the subject, and I am very appreciative to the good deeds of Mr. Winter. I will be eternally obliged to him.

On the subject which I have broached in the letters which I have sent you, I hope that you will answer me. I beg you not to forget me. There is no merchandise left at this post. Only Mr. Côté has goods left, which nobody wants to take because he sells like a Jew. Adieu my dear brother, give my friendship to the whole little family, as well as my assurance of respect to Mr. Mauray [Murray?].

I am with esteem, your faithful friend.

[signed:] Charles Leonor Le Pallieur.

[dated:] M^cKinac, 6 August 1791.

[P.S.:] You should know that Mr. Henry went to winter in the Mississippi territory on account of Mr. Young.

[address-leaf reads:] Mr. James Morisson, merchant, at Montreal.

[docketed:] Letter from Mre. Lepallieur.

St. Charles, 8 August, 1791.

Mr. Morisson,

Having only received a letter from you of 18 July in which you note that you have written me by hands of the man of Mr. M^cKinsay [Mackenzie?], from whom however I have not received any letter. I have to tell you that I have sold twenty-three bushels of hay which I have found at Mr. Bernard, at one *écu* per bushel for the grain. As I had sold eight hundred bushels to Mr. Cartier and after having delivered those to him, I remain with another 50 minots which he has promised to take from me, I thought I would sell yours at the same time, but he has refused yours as well as mine because of the revolution which occurred. With the result that I have yours as well as mine on my hands; I however have managed to sell twelve bushels at 40 [shillings], at retail price, and I still have another twelve, which I will try to sell as soon as possible, in preference over mine, which I have resolved to keep.

Mr. Chovin [Chauvin], the bearer of the present letter, will hand you six *louis*, for which you will give him a receipt; and for the balance which you ask from my account, I found that you omitted two *louis* and some shillings, which I gave you the last time that I was in Montreal.

I will shortly go into the city and we will settle all our business; since at present I cannot let go to waste a small harvest of peas which I have to take care of. Meanwhile, expecting the pleasure of seeing you, I am your very h[umble] ser[vant].

[signed:] J.C. Drolet.

[addressed to:] Mr. James Morisson, merchant, Montreal.

[docketed:] Mr. Drolet, 8th Augt. 1791.

My dear brother,

It is the last I will have the pleasure of writing you for this season, but I hope to give you my news through the Detroit mail. I hope you have received the letters which I have sent you as well as my order, in which I have omitted some small articles which are mentioned in the present letter, and which are very necessary. As I hope you will answer me on that subject before next Spring, and I hope that if you accept my offers, that you will do business with a boy of honour. You can take information about my conduct from any 'voyageur' trader, English as well as French, and you will see from their account whether I must deserve your favour. If by any chance you cannot fulfil my order, you can be certain to see me early in the Spring. There is nothing new in this place. I will be leaving in five days for my wintering post. Let me know by the Detroit mail this winter whether the furs are valuable [i.e. expensive]. And send your letter to Mr. Maldrain [Meldrum?] at Detroit, who will have them forwarded to me; he has promised this to me on the day of his departure. Here are the wares that are not included in my order:

5 pairs of blankets of more than 2 ½ points.

5 ditto ditto ditto 3 points.

2 ditto ditto ditto 1 point.

Black coloured [?]; they must be foxes' tail [coloured?]

2 [skeins?] more of small [thread?]

14 more [warclubs?], the trap in the English manner.

100 more London tobacco.

instead of 24 barrels of rum, put 24 barrels of spirits double strength.

2 more dozen of Indian shirts, either red or brown; all Indian shirts must be red or brown, or at least there must be some red in them.

1 pair of common black handkerchiefs [?]

1 solid tobacco pouch for me.

½ dozen penknives.

1 cellar [?] of 6 flasks of [illegible]

1 basket for provisions.

I am, with respect, your sincere brother.

[signed:] Charles Leonor Le Pallieur (with flourish).

[P.S. on verso:] Send the whole small family my best memories, as well as my respects to Mr. Mauray [Murray?] as well as to anyone who informs about me.

I hope to send you my furs next Spring if I do not come down. Be well and I wish you a happy health.

[dated:] Mackinac, 18 August 1791]

[signed:] C.L. Le Pallieur (with flourish).

[address-leaf reads:] To Mr. James Morison, merchant, at Montreal.
by favour of Mr. Campion.

[docketed in Morison's hand:] Mr. Lepallieur, 18th August 1791.

My dear brother,

If by any chance you would find a piece or half a piece of taffeta or damask with flowery print in silver or gold, and if it is not too expensive, you would do very well to send it to me, because it sells well to the Indians, because it is used to make small coats [?] on which we make a great profit.

If you have the goodness to chose me a good and nice gun with a nice stock, I will be very much obliged to you, because mine died last Autumn and hurt my left hand much. However, I am not invalidated, and I have healed perfectly. Please oblige me if you can; I will take care of you in return this Summer, if you are kind enough to send me a nice snuffbox, because you know that I take snuff because I cannot smoke.

[signed:] Charles Leonor Le Pallieur.

[dated:] From my wintering house, 26 October, 1791.

[verso:] [list of] Articles which I have forgotten in my order, and which I need because they are very necessary to the trade, to wit

5 pair of blankets of 2½ point.

5 ditto ditto of 2 point.

5 ditto ditto of 1½ point.

5 ditto ditto of 1 point.

1 [one word illegible] of copper kettles [one word illegible].

1 dozen crooked knives.

1 piece of blue *molleton* [soft thick flannel or cotton].

1 piece of white flannel.

1 piece of faint border for the hooded coats

2 pieces of striped *calmenet* [?]

8 skeins of assorted thread

8 skeins of vermillion

1 extra bag of lead for *métarde* [some kind of bird]

1 ditto for duck

5 thousand beads

½ dozen pieces of trade silver

2 pieces of fine dark *indienne* [fabric]

1 piece of cotton ¾

2 pairs of large black handkerchiefs

2 pieces of Nankin [fabric]

1 piece of olive *jannet* [fabric]

½ dozen fine boxes [?] for razors

6 guns not for trade, decorated with copper

½ piece of green *rabane* [nautical rope] 3-4 inches thick, to decorate the [one word illegible].

½ ditto yellow.

½ ditto violet.

All the above-mentioned articles are for trade.

[initialled:] L.P.

[address-leaf reads:] To Mr. James Morrisson, merchant, at Montreal.

My dear brother,

I have received your favour dated 16 April last today, and have been very moved by it, and at the same time by the death of my mother which, you will not doubt, has given me great sorrow, as well as the situation of my father, but what consoles me is that I have no doubts whatsoever that you will take care of the family as if you were caring for yourself, because if the Supreme Being disposes of my father, the rest of the family will throw themselves into your arms, and will beg you to serve as their father, which I believe you will not refuse.

You know that I have put my confidence in you; if by any chance my brother Michel would try to harm my sisters on the subject that our parents were married with community of property, I beg you, at my expense, to take care of their affairs, because I would be very sorry to learn that my sisters were bothered for a matter such as this.

For my wintering I have had many problems; I have taken 44 packs of furs from my post, in spite of the war of the *Bostonnais* [the Americans] with the Natives I trade with, which has as a consequence that I am losing 1100 *piastres*, even more because had I had the good luck that there was no war, I would have made quite a profit. It is a general disaster this year, because there are [traders] who have only taken 3, and others 4 and 5 packs only. In order to pay back their investment of 1000 *Louis* it is a disaster.

Here is the statement of my furs: 22 packs of buckskins; 13 of cat [i.e. lynx]; 2 of beaver of a hundredweight; 1 of otter; 1 of [word illegible], 1 of muskrat; ½ [pack] of martin and mink; the rest of the packs consists of 3 of bear skins, and 65 bear skins to be used for covers, 2700 lbs. of sugar, 346 lbs. of fat, 140 bushels of wheat. All that will not be sufficient to pay for my bills. I am in the red. It is a pity for me; after having suffered as much as I have that I cannot have the satisfaction only to say that I have paid my bills. What partly consoles me for my sorrows, is that it has not been my fault.

Give my father my filial love, and tell him I am unable to write him because I am overcome with grief, because when misfortune is upon a man, it seems he has to die under its weight. Give the whole family my respects, as well as to your family; no more news. I have been offered merchandise and I do not know whether I should accept them, because I am depressed. I believe I will be going North. They are offering good prices for clerks at that post. I am irresolute about everything. You ought to know that Mr. Quesnel has left for the Illinois country. I have not received any other letters but yours the past season. I see that nobody thinks much of me in the family, but that does not stop me from thinking about them. I would be glad to know how they are making out. Please do whatever possible to let me know, because I will make arrangements with you, because I am on the verge of going North. I have not sold anything yet; I have only returned from my wintering post since two days. I nearly died at Pointe au Sable in Lake Michigan; my canoe broke on the rocks quite a distance from shore, but everyone was saved; fortunately I have not lost anything, only some minor things got wet. You ought to know that Mr. Gravatte [?] has been killed by a gunshot by his *engagé*, and it is being said that it was in self-defense. This misfortune has happened at the far end of Lake Superior. Adieu. I am, with esteem, your submissive servant,

[signed:] Chs. L. Le Pallieur.

[dated:] M^cKinac, 24 June, 1792.

My dear Brother,

If I take the liberty of writing you, it is because I am on the verge of sending my furs to your hands to be sold for my account, and at the same time, if you have been paid for me, as you have a power of attorney, for my part of the estate, it will please you to satisfy on my behalf the bearer of this letter. I have been told that you withdrew my portion, and that is why I take this liberty. You will oblige him who is, with respect, your submitted servant, who will make up for this. It is with friendship,

[signed:] Chs. L. Le Pallieur.

[dated:] M^eKinac, 30 June, 1792.

[addressed to:] Mr. James Morrisson, merchant, at Montreal.

My dear brother,

I take the liberty to draw upon you for the amount of the letter enclosed herewith; this is because I was told that you have withdrawn on my behalf my portion of the estate; this is the reason why I have drawn that small letter, and I assure you that you will not see any others from me. I have not made any money because I have not sold my furs. I feel like sending you a canoe loaded with furs, but I am afraid you will do like me [i.e. not sell them]; therefore I beg you to accept the letter.

I am, with good hope that you will not refuse it,

[signed:] Chs. L. Le Pallieur.

[dated:] M^cKinac, 30 June, 1792.

[address-leaf reads:] Mr. James Morisson, merchant, at Montreal.

[docketed:] Letter from Charles Lepallieur. 30 June 1792.

Mr. Morisson,

I hope that the present letter will find you in as good health as I wish, and expecting the pleasure of hearing about your health, I beg you to deliver to the bearer of the present letter a dozen of ladies' leather shoes, and that you will do me the pleasure of selecting the largest, because it so happens that all those I have taken are generally small; therefore, I will be needing them slightly larger in order to make an assortment with the others, and 1/4 black goat-skin. You will oblige your very humble servant,

[signed:] J.C. Drolet.

[dated:] St. Charles, 13 9bre [November] 1793.

[address-leaf reads:] Mr. James Morison, merchant, Montreal.

[docketed:] Mr. Charles Drolet, 13th Nov'r 1793.