

monthly on producing the required certificates of improvement.

Detroit 10th Sept., 1790.

Martin Tofflemire received a grant of lot No. 13, and his son Henry lot No. 1, East New Settlement on Lake Erie.

In the case of Henry Tofflemire, the Board took into consideration the remarkable circumstances of his father, the petitioner's sufferings as known to part of the Board, his being a prisoner of war to a British officer, who had no authority over the Indians to rescue his children captured at the same time, from slavery, his wonderful exertions to support so large a family, and to pay so heavy a ransom for one of his children to the Indians, induce the board to meet the father's demands and readily grant a certificate for a single lot to his eldest son, who, being presented to the Board, although not of full age, appears fully equal to such an improvement of the lot granted as becomes a useful settler.

Leonard Scratch, private in Lt.-Col. Butler's Rangers, on October 1st, 1787, received from Major Mathews a grant of lot 12, New Settlement, which was confirmed by the Board on September 10th, 1790.

Leonard Scratch, one of the approved list, gave the Board equal satisfaction in the production of a discharge from the corps of Butler's Rangers, and certificates of his location at the Strait's mouth, and having received similar oath. The Board directs one month's provision to himself, wife and four children under ten years of age.

Lot No. 2, New Settlement, Leonard Scratch to John Wirt, June 8th, 1792.

Lot No. 2E, New Settlement, John Wirt to Leonard Scratch, June 8th, 1792.

Letter Major Arent S. DePeyster to Capt. McKee:

Detroit, 8th Sept., 1780.

Dear Sir,—I did myself the pleasure of writing you by George Girty's companion, the young Delaware, sending back the belt with a speech.

Nothing material has occurred since, yet I cannot let slip this favorable opportunity of assuring you of my good wishes.

If it is possible to obtain Mr. Ruddel's wife, and the remainder of his children, you will do me an infinite pleasure.

Mrs. DePeyster and the gentlemen join in compliments to you and the Gentlemen with you.

I am, Dear Sir, your humble and obedient servant,

ARENT DEPEYSTER.

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Letter Major DePeyster to Secretary Mathews:

Detroit, 4th Sept., 1792.

Dear Sir,—The bearer of this letter, Capt. Isaac Ruddell, was taken by Capt. Bird, who recommended him as a proper person to be fixed upon Hog Island, where he has lived quietly ever since, but having conceived the idea that an exchange of prisoners will take place, he is desirous of going down the country.

Give me leave to mention him to you as I did Capt. Orr.

I am, Dear Sir, your humble and obedient servant,

AT. S. DEPEYSTER.

Mich. Pioneer, Vol. 10, p. 634.

The raid into Kentucky by Capt. Bird is corroborated by a letter from Capt. Alex. McKee to Major DePeyster, Commandant at Fort Detroit, dated July 8th, 1780.

Mich. Pioneer, Vol. 19, p. 541.