

5. Pierre Vandal came to Poundmaker's camp at the same time with Arcand. This young fellow seemed to be a follower of the others simply through curiosity as a companion as some of the other half-breeds, and when he mounted guard with the others it was for the sole and only purpose of protecting the prisoners from the savages, who were only prevented from falling upon the prisoners by the most devoted and active efforts of the half-breed guards. I often passed hours with this young man Vandal and conversed with him and spoke to him in condemnation of Riel, and in favor of the Government, to which he assented and often condemned the rebellion. Gariépie all the time he was in the camp positively did nothing but protect the enemy to the best of his power, the prisoners white and half-breeds, from the savages, to which he devoted his whole attention, his conduct was immensely praiseworthy and kind. I am bound in conscience and gratitude to accord to him my best thanks and strong recommendation.

Alexander Cadieux, *alias* "Kitty-way-hoe," came to the camp with the others above mentioned. He is a fine savage, but has lived among the half-breeds, and is very ignorant. He has a great deal of influence with the savages, and through that influence he was enabled to save the lives of the teamster prisoners who were on the point of being killed by the Indians, who were very furious and determined. As one whose life was saved by the combined exertions and devotion of these poor men, when life was every moment in danger, I cannot sufficiently express my thanks to God and my gratitude to these poor men, and pray at the hands of the judge who is to pass the sentence of the law upon them, a merciful view of any fault they may have ignorantly committed, in view of the fact that they risked their own lives to save the lives of Her Majesty's subjects—men, women and children—from the fury of the savages.

L. COCHIN.

Sworn to and acknowledged before me }  
 at Regina, in the North-West Ter- }  
 ritories aforesaid, this 13th day of }  
 August, A. D. 1885. }

DIXIE WATSON, *Clerk of the Court.*