

Saint-Antoine, March 23rd., 1885

[Translation].

To our relatives.—Thanks for the good news that you took the trouble to send us. Since you are willing to help us, may God bless you.

Justice commands to take up arms. And if you see the police passing by, attack them, destroy them. (And written across the first part of this letter in english "Afterwards notify the Wood Indians not to be taken.")

EXHIBIT No. 11

"I will not begin to work before twelve hours."

[Translation].

Our relatives, thanks for the good news that you took the trouble to send us. Since you are willing to help us may God bless you. And if you see the police passing by, attack them and take away their arms. Justice commands to take up arms. Afterwards notify the Wood Indians not to be taken unawares, but rather to be on their guard, let them take munitions from all the stores at Nut Lake, Fish Lake.

M. F. X. Batoche,—The french Half-breeds have taken up arms in a body. None of our people are against it. Tell our relatives, the Indians, to be prepared to come and help us if necessary. Take all the company's munitions.

EXHIBIT No. 12.

[Translation].

Depend on God and on the circumstances that Providence actually brings forth in the Saskatchewan. We shall not forget you. If promises are held forth to you, say that the time for promises is past. We have reached a pass that compels us to require proofs for every thing. Pray, be good, obey God's commandments and nothing will fail you.

EXHIBIT No. 13.

Dear relatives, We thank you for the good news that you took the trouble to send us. Since you are willing to help us, may God bless you in all what is to be done for our common salvation.

Justice commands to take up arms. And if you see the police passing by, stop it and take away their arms.

Afterwards notify the Wood Indians that they might be surprised: let them be ready to all events, in being calm and courageous to take all the powder, the shot, the lead the posts and the cartridges from the Hudson's Bay stores, at Nut Lake and Fishing Lake. Do not kill anybody. Do not molest nor illtreat anybody. Fear not, but take away the arms.

LOUIS "DAVID" RIEL.