

went by the desire of Col^o Butler 24th 1796
to attend, and assist at the delivery of
the Annular Presents to the Indians settled
at the Grande-river and the Messasages
living at the Head of the Lake, River
la Tranche, and Yorko, which we
effected without any loss of goods
whatever. last year a whole Bale &
several other articles were lost or stolen
the Indians appeared to be perfectly
satisfied and pleased with the
Presents made them. —

I mention the circumstance of
the goods being lost last year and
safe this, as I have since received
a letter from the Secretary of the
Department at Montreal saying that
His Excellency Lord Dorchester disapproves
of my leaving the Store to go on
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