

To our Great Father Sir John Colborne
H. C. B. Lieut. Governor of the Province of
Upper Canada &c &c

The Memorial of the Meskwigues
Nehin residing at the River Credit -
Humbly Sheweth.

That your Memorialists have
been by the kindness of the Government establish-
ed in a Village at the River Credit.

Lately sickness has prevailed extensively
amongst us, during some seasons of the year,
but our People being very poor and unable to
pay, have been very backward in applying for
Medical aid which has rendered diseases more
fatal - The regular attendance of a Phy-
sician resident near us, would be a great
benefit & relief to our People, and save many
lives.

We are now 236 in number, and in
consequence of our present poverty, & the great
number of widows & orphan children we have
to provide for, we make this Petition, humbly
to ask our Great Father the King, to give
us a wise Physician, to take care of our
health, & the health of our children.

Joseph Adamson Esq. has attended us
since we have lived in this Village and
before, and from the great kindness which
he has always shown us & our people, would
be very thankful should our Great Father appoint
him our Physician.

And your Memorialists will ever pray

(Signed) James Ajitans. John Brane

Joseph Sawyer. S. Quinebeiran
Syeentungens. Sam. Pahdshiquong

River Credit
Feb. 24th 1829.

New York - 152. Allen Street
March 18th 1829.

My dear Sir

Yesterday I received your letter dated
Feb. 21st containing the appointment of His Excellency
Sir John Colborne at the head of the Indian Depart-
ment in Upper Canada, and also of his generous
offer to assist us in the printing of our Shippenway
Translation of the Scriptures. I am extremely
sorry that this information did not reach me
before I left Canada, as I should have been
happy to attend to the commands of His Excellency
immediately; but I had not the least intimation
of this subject until I received your communi-
cation, and a letter from my Brother John since
I arrived at this place.

In obedience to His Excellency's request
I shall defer in getting my Translation of the
Scriptures printed until I return home to Canada,
and I shall endeavour to return as soon as pos-
sible, I hope to be at the Credit in May next.

I am very happy to learn that His Excellency
Sir John Colborne feels ready to do all in his
power towards promoting the happiness and prosperity
of the Indians, and that on the most liberal & libe-
rals on religious subjects, I hope that the Indians
will soon lose their attachment to, and confidence
in their Great Father the King & his Government, but
will ever be firm and strong, and this I believe
will be the case. Their Great Father showing
friendship to his red children, & liberal feelings on
religious subjects will no doubt strengthen their
attachment.

I am much obliged to you for the com-
munication