

engaged himself as a clerk at the yearly salary of £80.

We embarked in three large canoes navigated by fourteen men each. At Coteau du Lac, Archibald Norman M'Leod embarked in the canoes with Lieutenants Missani and Brumby of De Meuron's regiment, and their servants, who were privates of the same regiment.

On the 31st of May I arrived at Fort William, where I remained three days, and was desired, together with Charles Reinhard, to go into a store to choose arms for ourselves, which we accordingly did. At Fort William, the large canoes were changed for five North canoes, and I set out before the rest in a loaded canoe, and was overtaken by the brigade next day, when I joined them.—At a portage about three days journey from Fort William, we came up with a loaded canoe navigated by two Iroquois, and two Canadians, one of whom, named Laverdure, was a man between sixty and seventy years of age, who was too weak to work as hard as the others and to carry over the portages. Archibald Norman M'Leod, asked him why he did not carry over the portages? and when the man complained of being too old and infirm, M'Leod knocked him down, and kicked him severely, calling him at the same time abusive names. Lieutenant Missani, at last, took M'Leod by the arm and spoke to him.—At the portage near the fort at Lac la Pluie, the gentlemen stopped a little while to dress, when Lieutenant Missani came to me and told me, that it was M'Leod's desire, that Charles Reinhard and I should put on our regimentals, which we