

that the French should do the same. The chief likewise told me he would send four men to Fort Cumberland with me and the young man who was saved out of the vessel—I found some good effects from my behaviour to the Indians who brought me along; for they were here, and had told how honourably I had dealt with them—The name of the Indian chief here is Louis Francois,¹ the name of the chief of St. John's tribe is Louis Lamoureux²—they had large silver medals of the French king, hanging to ribbons round their necks. In the afternoon, went with the French to the island where the wreck was—they had rolled about two hundred barrels of flour from off the beach, to a place of safety; and there were about one hundred more good upon the beach—I did not discover any brandy, or bales of goods, but believe the French and Indians had hid a large quantity—They brought off fifteen barrels of flour—got back about nine at night.

THURSDAY, November, 26.

PICKED up yesterday bundles of English newspapers for twelve months past, with which I am highly entertained—find some of my acquaintance married, others dead—some fortunate, others bankrupts—it is great amusement for me, as my mind has fasted so long from any food of this kind.³

FRIDAY, November 27.

CONTINUE still drying and examining the newspapers—the Indians have fixed our departure for to-morrow—The French are very much afraid of the Indians, now they have strong liquor.

SATURDAY, November 28.

THIS morning proved very stormy—the Indians do not go—In the afternoon I was ordered to a council in one of their wigwams*—the council consisted of a dozen—they were all drunk, except the chief and another—they were a long time, before they would permit me to go—They would detain me till the frost sets in, and go by land, for fear of accidents

* Three or four drunken Indians, with loaded muskets, came, and taking hold of both my arms, a third Indian staggering before me, saying, "La me me chofe comme gouverneur Halifax;" by which I must understand him to be as great a man as the Governor of Halifax: When we arrived at the wigwam, the drunken governor of Halifax, pointing to the chief, said in English, "All one, King George."

1 Louis Francis in the List of 1760 mentioned in the earlier foot note under November 9.

2. Apparently the St. John's tribe is that of St. Johns Island, not River St. John. In the lists mentioned in the footnote under November 9, the chief of Isle St. John is given as Baptist La Morue (Sketches of New Brunswick) or Lamorne (Coonéy). The former is

evidently the same word as Lamoureux and perhaps the difference in the first name is an error of Smethurst's, or unthinking repetition of the Louis of the preceding name.

3. This feeling must be known to everyone, who, accustomed to much reading, finds himself for sometime deprived of it, as in long trips into the woods, etc.