

REPORT FROM THE INDIAN DEPARTMENT.

Three Indians, who arrived at Burlington on the 6th Inst: from Sandy Creek, Saguina Bay, report that Mr. Dickson was at Green Bay during the whole of the winter; and that the Weynebaygoes, Folavoines, Chippawas, and all the nations of the North side of Lake Michigan, were with him in the sugar making season, and that he was collecting a great many cattle in the Green Bay settlement.

Thirteen Indians of Naywash's Band arrived at Burlington on the 9th Inst: from Flint River, and say, that they were informed, that Two Vessels, and six Gun Boats, with about 300 men, had passed the River St. Clair, about the 22d or 23d April, for Michilimackinac, and that no more than about 250 men remained at Detroit.— These Indians report, that there are about 500 men at Saguina Bay, who are ready to show their attachment to their Great Father, whenever his Troops shall return.— After receiving intelligence of their Great Fathers success at Niagara, and Black Rock, about 12 or 1300 men collected and came forward within a few miles of Detroit; where they waited some time in the expectation that the British Troops would return, as had been intimated to them by Col. Elliott, and having heard a cannonading during two or three hours, they believed, that their friends had arrived, and immediately pushed forward towards Detroit, until they were undeceived by some Frenchmen they met.

Immediately after this disappointment, the want of Provisions obliged them to return to their own country.— *Marpock* is generally at St. Joseph, but frequently visits the American Garrison at Detroit unsuspected.

Pipes and messages were received at the several Villages, inviting the people to fix upon a proper place for all the Nations to assemble and smoke together.

The foregoing information given to me by Captain Caldwell of the Indian Department.

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