

A List of the Principal Chiefs Related to Michel Cadotte le grand and his Wife Madeline

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H. B. C. [Half Breed Claims] from no. 156 to no. 164

Michel Cadotte born at Lapointe 1764 [in pencil]

Property of Mrs. James H. Campbell [in a different hand]

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The late Michel Cadotte a ½ blood Chippeway was the son of Mons. Jean Bte Cadotte a distinguished trader of Sault Ste Marys and Lake Superior. Was born at Lapointe Lake Superior in 1764 was educated in Montreal, the last 40 years of his life was spent within the Chippewa Country and was for a great number of years the Chief Trader and Outfitter of South side of Lake Superior and Lapointe. Was one of the first traders who sent outfits into Lac du Flambeau Chippeway and St Croix Rivers. Died at Lapointe July 1837.

Was by the Mothers side 1st cozen to Nodin one of the principal chiefs of Snake River and also the Le trap a Brave and Brother to Nodin also 1st cozen to Le Bouf [Le Boeuf, Buffalo, Pezhike] Chief of Lapointe and 2nd cozen to the Great Martin [Marten] Chief of Wisconsin River district.

Madlen wife of the late Michel Cadotte is the Daughter of Le grue [the Crane] a chief by descent and brother of Gagannah [or Gagannah, possibly TugOwaug-aun-e] a present chief of Lapointe she was born on Lapointe the St Croix River. She is 2nd cozen to the White Crow and the White Fish [Fisher] his brother principal chiefs by ancient descent of Lac du Flambeau

Folio 1 verso:

and also 2nd cozen to the Little Buck [la-banse] a principal chief by descent of the St Croix River District—and Niece to the Lone Man one of the Chiefs of Snake River district, and aunt to the Martin [the Marten] principal chief by decent of Chippeway River and brother in law [sic] to the Wes Mouth [Wet Mouth, Kabamappa] one of the chiefs of St Croix River district and 2nd cozen to the Sab [?] one of the principal men of St Croix River district.

Notes: Mrs. James H. Campbell was Carlone Belzora Portman (1859-1926) a local historian and active with the DAR. Several items in the Lyon Papers have her name written on them indicating that she owns them. See Grand Rapids Public Library, "Finding Aids for the Caroline P. Campbell Papers Collection # 123," Oct. 2009 ver., <http://grplpedia.grpl.org/wiki/images/7/71/123.pdf> (30 Oct. 2014).

The identification of these Ojibwa relatives is clarified in Therese M. Schenck, *All Our Relations: Chippewa Mixed-Bloods and the Treaty of 1837* (Madison, WI: Amik press, 2010), 35 and 66.