

Engagé Contracts to Détroit – 28 May 1738 to 21 September 1738 – Part 6

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The following index to *engagé* (hiring) contracts was translated and transcribed from E.Z. Massicotte, “Répertoire des engagements pour l’ouest conservés dans les Archives Judiciaires de Montréal (1670-1778),” *Rapport de L’archiviste de la Province de Québec pour 1929-1930* (Québec: Rédempti Paradis, 1930), pp. 365–370. Whenever possible, names have been standardized per Jetté.¹ In a few cases I have added a “?” following the name for one of the following reasons: (1) the notary and Massicotte recorded a common *dit* name in the record without recording the surname; (2) the spelling of the surname may be a misreading of the original or could represent more than one surname; (3) the surname does not appear in Jetté. Information added appears in brackets. The name of the notary appears in brackets at the end of the entry. Researchers can order the microfilms for most notaries at your local Family History Center. French summaries of many, but not all, of the contracts included in Massicotte’s reports are summarized in the *Voyageur Contracts Database*, a project compiled by the University of Saskatchewan and the University of Ottawa. See http://shsb.mb.ca/en/Voyageurs_database for an explanation of this database. See <http://voyageurs.shsb.mb.ca/en/AdvSearch.aspx> for the advanced search form. Researchers can use this database to search for individuals hired for voyages to other locations.

- 28 May 1738 – **Charles François Tariou dit LaPérade and LaNaudière** hired **François Abel** and **Antoine Grignon** to make a voyage to Détroit [François Lepailleur – two contracts]
- 28 May 1738 – **Charles Ruette d’Auteuil, Sieur de Monceaux**, hired **Jean Petit** to make a voyage to Détroit [François Lepailleur]
- 28 May 1738 – **Joseph Douaire de Bondy** hired **Louis Métivier** to make a voyage to Détroit [François Lepailleur]
- 28 May 1738 – **Charles Ruette d’Auteuil, Sieur de Monceaux**, hired **Louis Legault dit Deslauriers** to make a voyage to Détroit [François Lepailleur]
- 29 May 1738 – **Charles Courtois** hired **Ignace Fortin** to make a voyage to Détroit [François Lepailleur]
- 30 May 1738 – **Joseph Marie Lécuyer** hired **Nicolas Patenaude** and **Pierre St. Andre** [a *dit* name] to make a voyage to Détroit [François Lepailleur – two contracts]
- 31 May 1738 – **Charles Ruette d’Auteuil, Sieur de Monceaux**, hired **François Gendron** to make a voyage to Détroit [François Lepailleur]
- 2 June 1738 – **Charles Courtois** hired **Jean Baptiste Lyonnais** to make a voyage to Détroit [François Lepailleur]
- 3 June 1738 – **Antoine Thunay dit Dufresne** hired **René Poitevin** [a *dit* name], **Antoine Lacoste? dit Languedoc**, and **Baptiste Deniau** to make a voyage to Détroit [François Lepailleur – three contracts]
- 30 June 1738 – **Joseph Marie Lécuyer** hired **Ange Robert Drousson** to make a voyage to Détroit [François Lepailleur]
- 8 September 1738 – **François Neveu** hired **Adrien Monet? dit Boismenu**, to make a voyage to Détroit [François Lepailleur]
- 12 September 1738 – **François Neveu** hired **Vital Bineau** to make a voyage to Détroit [François Lepailleur]
- 14 September 1738 – **François Neveu** hired **Pierre Quenneville** to make a voyage to Détroit [François Lepailleur]
- 14 September 1738 – **Charles Chauvin** hired **Paul Dumouchel** to make a voyage to Détroit [François Lepailleur]
- 18 September 1738 – **Pierre Cosme dit St. Cosme** hired **Joseph Boyer**, **Joseph Lefebvre**, and **Louis Ste. Marie** to make a voyage to Détroit [François Lepailleur]
- 19 September 1738 – **Pierre Cosme dit St. Cosme** hired **Joseph Pagé dit St. Antoine** to make a voyage to Détroit [François Lepailleur]
- 20 and 21 September 1738 – **Pierre Cosme dit St. Cosme** hired **Louis Meunier** and **Baptiste Meunier** to make a voyage to Détroit [François Lepailleur – two contracts]

To be continued

¹ René Jetté, *Dictionnaire généalogique des familles du Québec des origines à 1730* (Montréal: Les Presses de l’Université de Montréal: 1983). Jetté’s dictionary stops in 1730; therefore, the *engagé* contracts for this period are not covered in his dictionary.