

**Engagé Contracts to Détroit – 24 August 1712 to 2 April 1721 – Part 1<sup>1</sup>**

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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), 213 to 231. Although the first *Engagé Contracts*’ article included contracts to all locations, due to the total number of contracts listed in Massicotte, starting with this article, the contracts are limited to those going to Détroit. Whenever possible, names have been entered with the standardized spelling per Jetté.<sup>2</sup> The name of the notary appears in brackets at the end of the entry. Researchers can order microfilms for most of the notaries listed below at your local Family History Center, or consult microfilms on permanent loan at your local Family History Center. Starting with the 1714 contracts, 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://voyageurs.shsb.mb.ca/en/AdvSearch.aspx> for the advanced search form for this database. The summaries are in French. You can also use the database to search for contracts to other destinations.

- 24 August 1712 – **François Daupin sieur de LaForest** hired **Joseph Saint-Yves** and **Nicolas Saint-Yves** to make a voyage to Détroit [Antoine Adhémar]
- 25 August 1712 – **Sieur Pierre Robert** hired **Étienne Demers** to make a voyage to Détroit [Antoine Adhémar]
- 29 August 1712 – **Sieur Joseph Guyon** hired **Claude Primeau** to make a voyage to Détroit [Antoine Adhémar]
- 31 August 1712 – **Sieur François Daupin sieur de LaForest** hired **Louis Javillon dit Lafeuillade** to make a voyage to Détroit [Antoine Adhémar]
- 5 September 1712 – **Jacques de Ganiez** hired **Jean Baptiste Goyau dit Lagarde** to make a voyage to Détroit [Antoine Adhémar]
- 6 September 1712 – **Jean Baptiste Forestier** hired **Pierre Gagné?** to make a voyage to Détroit [Antoine Adhémar]
- 11 September 1712 – **Jacob de Marsac** hired **François Cécire**, of Lachine, to make a voyage to Détroit [Antoine Adhémar]
- 16 September 1712 – **Jean Viennay-Pachot** hired **François Martin dit Langevin**, of the Coste S<sup>t</sup>-Paul, to make a voyage to Détroit [Antoine Adhémar]
- 16 September 1712 – **Pierre Robert**, acting for the *sieurs Rivard*, hired **Julien Rivard**, of Batiscan, to make a voyage to Détroit [Antoine Adhémar]
- 17 September 1712 – **Jacques Hubert** and **René Mallet** hired **Pierre Deniau** to make a voyage to Détroit [Antoine Adhémar]
- 17 September 1712 – **Joseph Parent** hired **Nicolas Gagné** and **François Larchevêque** to make a voyage to Détroit [Antoine Adhémar]
- 17 September 1712 – **Jacques Langlois** hired **Nicolas Thuillier dit Desvignets** to make a voyage to Détroit [Antoine Adhémar]
- 5 May 1713 – **Jean Baptiste Forestier** hired **Pierre Leboeuf** to make a voyage to Détroit [Antoine Adhémar]
- 31 May 1713 – **Jeanne Cécile Catin**, wife of **Jacques Campeau**, acting under her husband’s power of attorney, hired **Claude Robillard, fils**, and **Joseph Robert dit Lafontaine** to make a voyage to Détroit [Antoine Adhémar]
- 31 May 1713 – **Louis Gatineau** hired **Joseph Vaudry** to make a voyage to Détroit [Antoine Adhémar]
- 2 June 1713 – **Jean Baptiste Forestier** hired **François Xavier Bateau** to make a voyage to Détroit [Antoine Adhémar]
- 2 June 1713 – **Paul Chevalier**, acting for **Jean Baptiste Forestier**, hired **Albert Beaune** to make a voyage to Détroit [Antoine Adhémar]
- 3 June 1713 – **François Rivard dit Loranger** hired **Étienne Deniau dit Destailis** to make a voyage to Détroit [Antoine Adhémar]

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<sup>1</sup> Please consult the additional information contained in the longer introduction included in: Diane Wolford Sheppard, “Engagé Contracts to the Great Lakes and Beyond – 1701 to 5 September 1712”, *Michigan's Habitant Heritage* 33 (Jul. 2012): 158-159.

<sup>2</sup> René Jetté, *Dictionnaire généalogique des familles du Québec des origines à 1730* (Montréal: Les Presses de l’Université de Montréal: 1983).

- 3 June 1713 – **Pierre Gareau dit St. Onge** hired **Joseph Cusson** to make a voyage to Détroit [Antoine Adhémar]
- 11 June 1713 – **Jacques Campeau** hired **Julien Saint-Aubin** to make a voyage to Détroit [Antoine Adhémar]
- 19 September 1713 – **Paul Chevalier** and **François Bigras** hired **Charles Parent** to make a voyage to Détroit [Antoine Adhémar]
- 23 September 1713 – **Sieur Pierre Roy** and **Sieur Jean Baptiste Trudeau** hired **André Longtin/Lonquetin** and **Pierre Colin dit Laliberté** to make a voyage to Détroit [Antoine Adhémar]
- 24 September 1713 – **Pierre Godefroy sieur Roquetaillade** hired **Henri Dubreuil** to make a voyage to Détroit [Antoine Adhémar]
- 25 September 1713 – **Jacques Desmoulins dit Fily** hired **Mathurin Chaput** to make a voyage to Détroit [Antoine Adhémar]
- 27 September 1713 – **Jacques Langlois**, acting for **Jean Richard**, hired **Joseph Sire** to make a voyage to Détroit [Antoine Adhémar]
- 29 September 1713 – **Alexis Lemoine** hired **Pierre Neufport** to make a voyage to Détroit [Antoine Adhémar]
- 29 September 1713 – **Alexis Lemoine** hired **Louis Daunay** to make a voyage to Détroit [Antoine Adhémar]
- 30 September 1713 – **François Larchevêque** hired **Claude Lépine** to make a voyage to Détroit [Antoine Adhémar]
- 1 October 1713 – **Alexis Lemoine**, acting for **Louis Gatineau**, hired **Louis Édeline** to make a voyage to Détroit [Antoine Adhémar]
- 1 October 1713 – **Gilles Lecours** and **Charles Cusson** hired **Charles Diel** to make a voyage to Détroit [Antoine Adhémar]
- 2 October 1713 – **Sieur Pierre Lestage**, acting for **Sieur François Viennay-Pachot**, of St. Jean, hired **Jacques Huet dit Dulude** to make a voyage to Détroit [Michel Lepailleur/Le Pallieur]
- 3 October 1713 – **François Viennay-Pachot**, of St. Jean, hired **Pierre Bourdon** to make a voyage to Détroit [Michel Lepailleur/Le Pallieur]
- 28 March 1714 – **Pierre Cardinal** hired **Charles Legardeur dit Quinze Roquilles**, a *panis*, to make a voyage to Détroit [Antoine Adhémar]
- 31 March 1714 – **Jean Verger sieur Desjardins** hired **François Hogue** to make a voyage to Détroit [Antoine Adhémar]
- 31 March 1714 – **Jean Verger sieur Desjardins** hired **Pierre Mongeau** to make a voyage to Détroit [Antoine Adhémar]
- 4 April 1714 – **Joseph Senécal** hired **Jacques Janot dit Lachapelle** to make a voyage to Détroit [Antoine Adhémar]
- 8 April 1714 – **Jean Tabault** hired **Jacques Paré** to make a voyage to Détroit [Antoine Adhémar]
- 13 April 1714 – **Jean Verger sieur Desjardins** and **Jean Baptiste Thouin** hired **Louis Turpin** to make a voyage to Détroit [Antoine Adhémar]
- 20 August 1714 – **Jacques Campeau** hired **Pierre Édeline** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 24 August 1714 – **Alexis Lemoine**, acting for **Claude Robillard**, hired **Marien Huet** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 19 March 1715 – **Sieur Jacques Charles de Sabrevois** hired **Pierre Daunay** to make a voyage to Détroit [Marien Tailhandier]
- 21 March 1715 – **Sieur Joseph Bénard** hired **Louis Daunay** to make a voyage to Détroit [Marien Tailhandier]
- 6 April 1715 – **Sieur Louis Lefebvre dit Duchouquet** hired **Joseph Panis** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 7 April 1715 – **Jacques Saint-Yves** hired **Joachim Deniau** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 8 May 1715 – **Sieur Jacques Charbonnier** hired **Pierre Bourdon** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 10 May 1715 – **Sieur Jacques Charbonnier** hired **Albert Beaune** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 14 May 1715 – **Sieur Jacques Charbonnier** hired **Pierre Desroches** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 17 August 1715 – **Charles de Sabrevois** hired **Marien Huet dit Dulude** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]

- 21 August 1715 – **Sieur Ignace Gamelin** hired **Jean Baptiste Regeas dit LaPrade** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 25 August 1715 – **Ignace Gamelin** hired **Louis Quintal** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 26 August 1715 – **Jacques Gamelin** hired **Jacques Séguin** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 29 August 1715 – **Jacques Langlois** hired **Henri Dubreuil** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 29 August 1715 – **François Picard** hired **Philippe Robitaille** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 2 September 1715 – **Jacques Gamelin** and **Raymond Babie** hired **Louis Venne** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 9 September 1715 – **Jean Baptiste Forestier** and **Jean Quesnel** hired **Jacques Robitaille** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 4 April 1716 – **Ignace Gamelin**, manager of **Charles de Sabrevois'** affairs, hired **Charles Ménard dit Bellerose** and **Jean Baptiste Veronneau** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 7 April 1716 – **Ignace Gamelin**, manager of **Charles de Sabrevois'** affairs, hired **Paul Laporte** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 7 April 1716 – **Ignace Gamelin**, manager of **Charles de Sabrevois'** affairs, hired **Jacques Charbonneau** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 29 April 1716 – **Jacques Larchevêque** hired **Nicolas Monplaisir** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 30 April 1716 – **Jacques Charbonnier** hired **Joseph Bonin** to make a voyage to Détroit and other places [not specified] [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 2 May 1716 – **Jean Baptiste Neveu** and **Jacques Neveu** hired **Julien Bariteau** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 6 May 1716 – **Jacques Larchevêque** hired **Jean Baptiste Mongeau** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 9 May 1716 – **Alexis Lemoine dit Monière**, acting for **Raymond Babie**, hired **Michel Marcot** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 30 August 1716 – **Louis Ménard** hired **Pierre Panis** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 9 September 1716 – **Ignace Gamelin**, acting for the affairs of **Charles Sabrevois**, hired **Joseph Chagnon** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 31 March 1717 – **Alphonse Tonty** hired **Jean Baptiste Dubois** and **Jean Baptiste Richaume** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 5 April 1717 – **Paul Raimbault sieur de Saint-Blain** hired **Louis François Latreille** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 22 April 1717 – **Paul Raimbault sieur de Saint-Blain** hired **Jacques Chénier** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 22 April 1717 – **Sieur Paul Raimbault de Saint-Blain** and **Jacques Cardinal** recorded an agreement regarding a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 1 May 1717 – **Paul Guillet** hired **Pierre Bourgery** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 20 May 1717 – **Paul Raimbault** hired **Joachim Deniau** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 21 May 1717 – **Jacques Desrosiers** hired **Joseph Lefebvre** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 2 June 1717 – **Jean Baptiste Cuillerier** hired **François Duclos dit Carignan** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 30 August 1717 – **François Marie Bouat** hired **Pierre Voisin** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 11 September 1717 – **Paul Raimbault sieur de Saint-Blain** hired **Nicolas Saint-Yves** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 14 September 1717 – **François Marie Bouat** hired **Jacques Bigras** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 15 September 1717 – **Jacques Langlois** hired **Joseph Auger** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 19 March 1718 – **Paul Raimbault sieur de Saint-Blain** hired **Pierre Buteau** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]

- 5 April 1718 – **François Poisset** hired **Louis Saint-Jean** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 18 May 1718 – **Pierre Cosme** and **Claude Legris** hired **Louis Daunay** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 20 May 1718 – **Monsieur Dumas** hired **Jean Maillot dit Laroche** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 21 May 1718 – **Pierre Trottier sieur de Desaulniers** hired **Jacques Godefroy dit Mauboeuf** and **François Volant** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 22 May 1718 – **François Marie Bouat** hired **Jean Renaud** and **Étienne Duchesne** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 27 May 1718 – **Jean Boyer** acknowledged that he owed 189 *livres*, 2 *sols* to **Pierre de Lestage**, merchant, for his voyage to Détroit [Raimbault père]
- 28 May 1718 – **Louis Roy** acknowledged that he owed 1220 *livres*, 9 *sols*, 10 *deniers* to **Pierre de Lestage**, merchant, for the voyage that would make to Détroit [Raimbault père]
- 28 May 1718 – **Pierre Roy** hired **Charles Diel** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 30 May 1718 – **François Roy**, *voyageur*, acknowledged that he owed 1308 *livres*, 1 *sol*, 8 *deniers* to **Pierre de Lestage**, merchant, for the voyage that he would make to Détroit [Raimbault père]
- 30 May 1718 – **Étienne Roy** acknowledged that he owed 198 *livres*, 10 *sols*, 6 *deniers* to **Pierre de Lestage**, merchant, for the voyage that he would make to Détroit [Raimbault père]
- 13 June 1718 – **Sieur Pierre de Lestage** hired **Antoine Lefebvre** to make a voyage to Détroit [Michel Lepallieur]
- 16 August 1718 – **Pierre Perthuis** hired **Jean Panis** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 17 August 1718 – **Pierre Perthuis** hired **Jean Baptiste Dubois** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 20 August 1718 – **Pierre Perthuis** hired **Louis Charles Janson dit Lapalme** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 28 August 1718 – **Pierre Perthuis dit LaJanvry**, merchant, and **Catherine Mallet**, his wife, acknowledged that they owed 3565 *livres*, 16 *sols*, 3 *deniers* to **Pierre de Lestage**, merchant, for the voyage that he would make to Détroit [Raimbault père]
- 24 September 1718 – **Joseph Larchevêque** hired **Christophe Mongeau** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 26 September 1718 – **Jacques Campeau** acknowledged that he owed 1993 *livres*, 7 *sols*, 4 *deniers* to **Jean Baptiste Pothier dit Laverdure**, merchant, for the voyage that he would make to Détroit [Raimbault père]
- 1 October 1718 – **Pierre Hubert dit Lacroix** acknowledged that he owed 860 *livres* to **François Poulin**, merchant, for the voyage that he would make to Détroit [Raimbault père]
- 2 October 1718 – **Jacques Hubert dit Lacroix** acknowledged that he owed 714 *livres*, 11 *sols*, 8 *deniers* to **Charles de Couagne**, merchant, for the voyage that he would make to Détroit [Raimbault père]
- 2 October 1718 – **Jacques Hubert dit Lacroix** acknowledged that he owed 3612 *livres*, 14 *sols*, 1 *denier* to **Anne Marie Chaspoux**, widow of the deceased **Jean Soumande**, merchant, for the voyage that he would make to Détroit [Raimbault père]
- 16 February 1719 – **Pierre Trottier sieur de Desaulniers, fils**, hired **François Normandin** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 2 August 1719 – **Sieur Louis Thierry Nolan** hired **François Judic dit Rencontre** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jacques David]
- 17 August 1719 – **Sieur Louis Thierry Nolan** hired **Alexis Moran** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jacques David]
- 2 May 1720 – **Pierre Trottier sieur de Desaulniers** hired **François Lepailleur/Lepallieur** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jean Baptiste Adhémar]
- 15 August 1720 – **Sieur Jacques Campeau** hired **Pierre Juneau** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jacques David] [two contracts]
- 11 February 1721 – **Charles Nolan sieur de Lamarque** hired **Louis Truchon** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jacques David]
- 26 March 1721 – **Sieur Jacques Nolan sieur de Lamarque** hired **Antoine Lacoste** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jacques David]
- 2 April 1721 – **Charles Nolan sieur de Lamarque** hired **Jacques Roussel** to make a voyage to Détroit [Jacques David]

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