

Francois Seguin, the Canadian Pioneer (6) (Concluded)

as was the custom at that time. He must even have been one of the principal traders at the Fort Ponchartrain post, if one considers the sum total of merchandise which he had handed over to equip his canots at the time of their trips to Detroit. On 9 September 1728, the notary Charles-Joseph Raimbault recounts, in his study of Montreal, a document by which Joseph Seguin "about to set sail" for Detroit recognises his indebtedness to Sir Charles Nolan, merchant-equipper of the same place, for the tremendous sum of 5075 livres, 6 sols, and 3 deniers for the delivery of trading merchandise. Joseph adds more and more of the colonie to his accounts in the Great Lakes. The people of St Laurent River interest him no longer. It is at Fort Pontchartrain that he establishes "his store" and ends his life.

Robert Lionel Seguin (42)

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