



**W**estern Reserve & Northern Ohio Historical Society,

Room 3d Floor, Savings Bank Building,

Cleveland, O. July 10 1872

Mr M Darlington  
Dear Sir -

I presume H M Chapman Esq of  
this city sent you the enclosed  
memorial but I do the same  
more particular to have your  
copy in the hands of Rev E D Neil  
if you know where he is -

We are crowding the matter of  
Mr May's map in all directions &  
if Mr Neil is at Washington wish to  
get his personal attention to it  
thru -

Please advise me to when you  
write among the members also to  
support a conference with Har Jones  
provision of this to have our future  
no result - yours truly  
Chas Whittlesey -

*[The page contains several paragraphs of handwritten text in cursive script, which is extremely faint and largely illegible. The text appears to be a letter or a document page.]*

Pittsburgh Sept 24<sup>th</sup> 1870

Chs Whittlesey Esq

Dear Sir

I have received your letter relative to the expedition of Gen Bradstreet in '76. A complete narrative of that campaign would be very valuable and interesting. The best account of it yet published is that of Monte (referred to in Bancroft's U.S. Vol. 5.) He states that the boats were "fifty six feet in keel to carry twenty seven men and three weeks provisions", as the "Army" consisted of 1180 men, at least forty four boats formed the fleet. I presume sails were used in addition to oars as such unriveted sails could not otherwise make the distance from Sandusky to Rocky Mt within the time given. One day - ~~and~~ a morning Rocky gave a near it to be the scene of the disaster. The same author states that "in the evening as Lieut (Bradstreet) was going to land the troops a sudden breeze of the lake with a very little cause destroyed some of his boats; but no lives were lost." "This surprising phenomenon" proved to be the forerunner of a storm which continued several days whereupon he came aboard to detach part of the Army by land to Niagara. The letters of Gen Wm John M. Allen in your History and also in the New York Col. Vol. 7. give a lot of confirmatory statements of Monte - if any were needed, that no lives were lost. Mr Millian was very inimical to Bradstreet and prejudiced for, I judge against him. - Monte warmly defends Gen B. Incessantly I think. It appears that Bradstreet's Army attempted to penetrate into the interior by the Sandusky river their boats could not ascend above the falls (rapids or rapids) a detachment was sent against

The Indians of Mohican Johns Town - which  
the Saraps abandoned before the troops arrived.

I expect to be in New York this fall and  
will probably meet a literary gentleman of  
that city with whom I have some acquaintance  
He told me a year or two since that he  
was connected with the present family of  
Mad Muts who are <sup>directly</sup> collaterally descendants  
of the Generals and that he had been  
making some researches relative to his  
Western expedition in 1764. If I remember  
rightly he had been reading your history - and  
appeared very much interested in the subject.  
Should I obtain any information or impulsion from  
him or any other source I shall not fail to  
communicate it to you.

Yours truly,  
Wm. M. Darlington