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Thursday 17. To day held an Election for two
= bers to represent this County in Gen. Assembly
— W^m Davidson an Inhabitant of this River
an ignorant - cunning - fellow - but who has
influence over the People ^{here} ~~in this River~~ many
of them holding lands under him - & many
being Tradersmen & labourers in his employ
was chosen for one — & by the same influence
Elias Hardy an attorney of no great reputation
in his profession - an Inhabitant of the
St John was chosen for the Other — This
disappoint some of my friends - who hoped
Geo Leonard Esq & Capⁿ Stanton Hazzard
would have obtained the election — But it
was impossible — They were ~~under~~ ^{recommended by} us
we who proposed were but Strangers —
therefore no wonder we did not succeed against
an artful man who had a real influence
knew how to use it — This is the first Election

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was held in this Place. —
a few days ago we had a small fall of Snow
to now all gone — The weather now rainy &
warm.

Journal of a Surveying Expedition to see
what farms might be laid out at Bedouin
— by order of Gov^t & Coun: —

Tuesday 22 left home with J^m Lerdemer in
a canoe - got down as far as Point au Cheval -
there the wind & Tide being against us we
landed & encamped - in the night there came
on a Gale of Wind at ab^t N with snow & very
high tide we took off our canoe -

Wednesday 23 Gale continues with rain & snow
remained all day in camp -

Thursday 24 Pleasant - set out on foot for
^{Bay de Vin} ~~Bedouin~~ got within about 4 miles found
there some marshes w^{ch} were impassable for
water - returned about 2 miles & encamped
at Point au Cart —