

# POINT IROQUOIS

Way back in a time when a manitou's sign  
was the word that showed the way  
Just north of the Sault, 1662  
the Saulteaux Ojibway  
fell on their enemy with such ferocity  
that their foes they never foresaw  
that the place of their bones would forever be known  
by the name point Iroquois

Way back in those days the Ojibways  
lived in fear of the Iroquois tribe  
They always came around for the chance to hunt  
down  
whoever forgot to hide  
A woman and a man of the Garden River Band  
took their kids down to the shore  
when like an eagle's claw those Iroquois  
swooped down with cry of war

## CHORUS

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Whoa, whoa, whoa, Point Iroquois got its name

Some Ojibway scouts went looking about  
for the ones who'd disappeared  
At Sault Ste. Marie on a hill they could see  
the very sight all had feared  
The scouts returned and a war party soon  
gave chase the very next dawn  
When they reached the Sault they paddled right  
through  
for the Iroquois had moved on

They found them again up at Point aux Pins  
as they entered Superior  
The Ojibways saw as the Iroquois  
went further up the south shore  
The Garden River band had a medicine man  
who showed them the manitou's sign  
At dawn's first crack they would attack  
and revenge the terrible crime

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The next morning came with a shower of rain  
when they pulled down the enemies' tents  
With clubs and guns the work was done  
all at the Iroquois' expense  
When the sun had set there were just two left  
who were sent to their kin back home  
to tell them that they better never come back  
to the place of the Iroquois bones

Well the years slipped by as the eagle eye  
of the Ojibway looked all round  
but day or night there was no sight  
of an Iroquois to be found  
They were safe outdoors from the cry of war  
they were safe inside their homes  
and everyone knew that just north of the Sault  
was the place of the Iroquois bones

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