

tion. Champlain gave his in writing, and they provided :
 1st. That before any further steps, the Messieurs Kertk should show their commission from the king of Great Britain, and a power from their brother Admiral David ;
 2d. That they should furnish him a vessel to proceed to France with all the Frenchmen, without excepting any, not even two Indian girls belonging to him ; 3d. That the military should march out with their arms and all effects that they could carry ; 4th. That the vessel to be given them should be fully rigged and be provisioned, the last to be paid for in furs, the surplus of which to be carried off by the owners ; 5th. That no insult or violence should be done to any one ; 6th. That the ship should be given up three days after the arrival of the French at Tadoussac, and that barks should be given to convey them to that port.

There was little difficulty as to the main articles. Louis Kertk replied that his brother, Thomas Kertk, who had remained at Tadoussac, had the commission and authority demanded, and that he would produce them when he had the honor to see Mr. de Champlain ; that there would be no difficulty as to giving a vessel, and that if it was not large enough to carry all the French, there would be room on the squadron for any that wished to embark in it,—with the pledge of being well treated and of being transported to France as soon as they set foot in an English port. The article as to the two Indian girls was at first refused, but subsequently granted. It was agreed that the officers should march out with their arms and baggage, and in general all that belonged to them ; the soldiers with arms, clothing, and a beaver robe for each ; the religious with their books ;² but every thing else to be left in the fort. Champlain considered himself very fortunate in obtaining

¹ See articles (Champlain, *Voyages*, part ii., p. 216). The third article was not confined to the military, but included all, and named the religious expressly. The negotiations were conducted by Father le Caron : Sagard, pp. 989-91.

² And clothes. See articles, Champlain, p. 218 ; Creuxius, *Historia Canadensis*, p. 27.