

1663. had express orders to return to France by the same vessel that took him to Quebec, in order to render the king an exact account of the country, and inform him as to the conduct of the bishop and ecclesiastics, the effect produced by the establishment of the council, what ground there was for the complaints made against the Baron d'Avaugour, and the manner in which Mr. de Mézy was received.<sup>1</sup> This Commissary fulfilled his mission as an upright man, and every thing passed satisfactorily to the parties. The terrible scourge with which Canada had been afflicted had restored all things to order, and reconciled all. The Baron d'Avaugour, who could be reproached only with excessive harshness, and a disinclination to lay aside his prejudices, seemed well pleased with a recall which he had himself requested. He soon after, with the permission of his royal master, re-entered the service of the emperor against the Turks, and was killed the next year, while most gloriously defending Fort Serin,<sup>2</sup> on the frontiers of Croatia.

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The Iroquois, nevertheless, kept constantly in arms; but they did not appear in the colony. They wished, apparently, to observe what effect, so far as they were concerned, would be produced by the changes made and the re-enforcements received. The next winter they resumed their forays in the north, and committed great cruelties. Still Garakonthié did not cease to labor for peace; and his ever consistent conduct gave reason to hope that Canada would always find in him a resource against the caprices and levity of his nation. He had again assembled the French captives to be found in the cantons, and sent them to Quebec escorted by thirty Onondagas.<sup>3</sup>

As they were advancing on their way, in all the security that such a commission seemed to permit, they were surprised by a party of Algonquins, who took them for ene-

<sup>1</sup> See instructions, Arrets et Ordonnances, iii., p. 23; N. Y. Col. Doc., ix., p. 9.

<sup>2</sup> Zrin, on the Unna or Sunna, a tributary of the River Save.

<sup>3</sup> Rel. de la N. F., 1664, pp. 26-34.