

1665.

Great re-enforcements arrive in Canada. The Iroquois retire.

had accompanied him to the West Indies,¹ and he detached a part with some Indians, under the guidance of Captain the Sieur de Tilli de Repentigny, to pursue the Iroquois, who had renewed their raids.² It required nothing more to induce these savages to beat a retreat; and as the fruit of this first expedition, the harvests were gathered in perfect security. The rest of the regiment of Carignan, except some companies, arrived with the colonel, Mr. de Salieres, on a squadron which also brought over Messrs. de Courcelles and Talon, a great many families, a number of mechanics, laborers, the first horses seen in Canada, cattle, sheep—in a word, a more considerable colony than that which they came to re-enforce.³

Forts built on the river of the Iroquois.

The viceroy lost no time. As soon as he received this re-enforcement, he put himself at the head of all his troops and marched to the mouth of the river Richelieu, where he set them to work at the erection of three forts simultaneously. The first was erected on the site of the old Fort Richelieu, built by the Chevalier de Montmagny, of which only the ruins remained.⁴ It was put under Mr. de Sorel, captain in the Carignan regiment, who was left as commandant; and since that time the river has taken his name, which he gave to the fort. The second was built

¹ Tracy arrived June 30, 1665, with four companies on the Bresé and Teron; but four others had arrived direct from Rochelle on the 17th and 19th: Lalemant, Journal, June 19-30, 1665; Relation de la Nouvelle France, 1665, pp. 4, 25; Juchereau, Histoire de l'Hotel-Dieu de Quebec, p. 174; M. Marie de l'Incarnation, Lettre 28 Juil., 1665.

² July 23: Relation de la N. F., 1665, p. 7; Lalemant, Journal. Repentigny commanded a company of provincial volunteers: Relation.

³ Colonel de Salières arrived with his son, Aug. 15: Le Mercier, Journal. The Rel. 1665, p. 25, says Aug. 18-19. Capt. Poulet's vessel, from

Havre, which reached Quebec July 16, brought twelve horses and some girls, etc.: Lalemant, Journal; Rel., 1665, p. 25. Courcelle and Talon arrived Sept. 12, on the St. Sebastian: Le Mercier, Journal. The Jardin de Hollande came on the same day; and the Justice, with eight companies, two days after: Relation, p. 25. The first horse had been brought June 20, 1647, and was presented to Montmagny: Lalemant, Journal. See Hist. Mag., v., p. 355.

⁴ On Bellin's map accompanying this work it is placed on the left instead of being on the right of the river.