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Mr. Perrot's lot was still more unfortunate. The Sieur des Gouttins and the captain of the Union had escaped with him; but although they all took the same route to reach Jemset, des Gouttins, after a time, found himself alone, without knowing what had become of the rest. During this time the Chevalier de Villebon, after visiting Jemset, was returning to the sea in his canoe. On the way he learned not only the loss of the Union, but also that of his two ketches, in which he had discharged all the cargo of that vessel. He expected a reinforcement of Indians, whom he had summoned, and indulged the hope that, with their aid, he might recover the two ketches; but they arrived too late.

At the same time he learned that the two ships which had taken the Union, were not of Admiral Phibs' squadrons, but two pirates, carrying ninety men; that they had on board nine settlers from the Island of Mariegalante, which they had pillaged; that they had entered Port Royal, landed these planters there, burnt all the houses leading to the fort, killed a number of cattle, hung two farmers, and burned a woman and her children in her house; that, after capturing the Union, they had landed men to pursue those who escaped; that Mr. Perrot, the captain of the ship, and the pilot, had fallen into their hands; that they had treated the former in the most shameful manner, apparently to force him to tell where he had concealed his money and property; finally, that a part of the Union's sailors, the surgeon, and two soldiers had joined them to cruise, and that they were to sail within two days.<sup>1</sup>

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ture.

Neither this sad intelligence, nor the fear of a fate like Mr. Perrot's, restrained the Chevalier from descending to the sea with the few Indians who had joined him at Jemset. On arriving he perceived the two pirates, anchored near the shore; he landed, and, favored by the woods, approached close enough to fire on them, which he continued to do without respite till evening. During the

<sup>1</sup> De la Potherie, Hist. de l'Am. Sept., iii., p. 85. N. Y. Col. Doc., ix., p. 477.