

His Majesty's council accordingly limited its projects for the ensuing campaign to expelling the English from the posts occupied by them in Newfoundland, from Fort Pemkuit, by which they kept all Acadia in check ; and from all they had left Hudson's Bay. The Pemkuit expedition was, it seems, to be made at the King's expense ; and the two others at the expense of the Northern Company. It is certain that his Majesty committed the first to d'Iberville, and de Bonaventure.

1695.

Project of  
a campaign  
for  
1693.

As early as February, orders were sent to Mr. Begon, Intendant of Rochelle, to equip at Rochefort the Envieux and Profond, and the instructions given to the two commandants directed, after reducing Fort Pemkuit, to raze it to the ground, and then proceed to restore the fort at the mouth of the St John's ; thence to dispatch de Serigny with the Dragon, commanded by him, to the head of Hudson's Bay, while they proceeded to Newfoundland, there to join several vessels from St. Malo, which would be there awaiting him, and all, in concert with Mr. de Brouillan, Governor of Placentia, attacked the English by land and by sea. We shall see in its proper place the success of these various expeditions.

In regard to the Iroquois war, the count de Pontchartrain thus wrote to the Governor General and Intendant in the month of May, 1696 : " It seems to his Majesty that the Iroquois war, especially in these later times, has had no cause except a jealousy of the commerce with the upper tribes, and with New York ; their position giving them a great advantage for both. He also thinks that the alienation of the Ottawas and other tribes of those remote quarters springs from the fact that the French by their extended excursions into the interior have usurped the trade, which these tribes had with the others lying further north, and that, in fine, bushloping more unbridled than ever, in spite of prohibitions, is the source of all the troubles of the colony, and has given rise to establishments which, by dividing, scatter it and defeat the views entertained by his Majesty for reuniting and encouraging the colonists in agriculture."

What the  
King  
thought of  
the Iroquois  
war.  
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