

Villebon, and who were of the same nation as those with d'Iberville, embarked on the *Profond*, commanded by Mr. de Bonaventure.¹ 1696.

On the 7th they anchored at Pentagoet. There they found the Baron de St. Castin with two hundred Indians, Canibas and Malecites, and Mr. de Iberville distributed among them the king's presents, both for them and for those of their people who had gone on the war path in a different direction. Saint Castin and his troop then embarked in their canoes, with Captain de Villieu, Mr. de Montigny and twenty-five soldiers of Villieu's company. On the 13th, they arrived in sight of Pemkuit, which they invested on the fourteenth.²

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kuit.

On the same day Messrs. d'Iberville and de Bonaventure anchored a league from the fort, and learning that Saint Castin had already planted two mortars and a cannon, they sent about five o'clock in the afternoon to summon the commandant, by name Chubd. That officer received the summons quite haughtily, and replied that were the sea all covered with French vessels and the land with Indians, he would not surrender, till compelled to do so.³

On this reply the Indians opened their fire; the fort kept up a pretty sharp fire of musketry, and discharged some cannon. About two o'clock in the morning, d'Iberville landed and pushed forward the batteries so diligently, that by three in the afternoon they were all ready, and five shells thrown into the fort filled it with alarm. Saint Castin perceiving this, warned the besieged that if they waited till the place was stormed, they would have to deal with Indians, from whom they well knew they could not expect quarter.⁴

This menace had its effect: the garrison, consisting of ninety-two men, compelled the commandant to capitulate. The conditions which he asked, were that no one should

It capitulates.

¹ Baudouin, *Journal d'un Voyage*. Canada Doc., II., viii., p. 33.

² Baudouin, *Journal*, &c., pp. 34-6.

⁴ *Ib.* p. 37. Hutchinson cites

³ *Relation*, &c., 1695-6, N. Y. Col. Doc., ix., p. 658. De la Potherie, Castin's handwriting." iii., p. 77.