

should betake himself to the montagnais, and father defretat to france.

On the 19th, another Consultation was held, regarding the Beaver trade carried on at Sillery,—to wit, whether it should be tolerated. Father le Jeune, father Vimont, and I were present; and it was said:

1. That, if the warehouse were reasonable, we were obliged in conscience not to divert the trade elsewhere.

2. If it were not reasonable, we might with conscience dissimulate,—the habitans having the right, by nature and from the king, to trade.

3. That, whether the warehouse were reasonable or not, we were not compelled to trade.

On the 21st, the Algonquains of the petite nation arrived, with 6 yroquois Scalps; the narrative will appear in the Archives.

This same Day, there was an Election of a procuror Syndic, who was Monsieur bourdon; he, on the 28th, presented the petition of the habitans. They placed all their affairs in the hands of monsieur the governor, pending some settlement, and set aside all the Elected members and Directors.

This same 28th,—bastien, one of our men, and la neigerie having become drunk in our old warehouse, where they slept,—certain men, having come to smoke, dropped fire upon the straw, which kindled the building. The fire appeared about midnight; la neigerie escaped, and bastien was suffocated and half burned. They took out what was left of his

*Concerning the trade.*

*Arrival of the Victorious Algonquains.*

*Procuror Syndic and petitions.*

*Sad death of a drunkard. Fire started at our house.*