

the country; 6 frenchmen fell there. The above happened on the 20th of february, a saturday. It rained during the whole night that they passed at that spot, and throughout sunday, when Monsieur the governor had various interviews with the dutch commandant. At his request, the French gave up an old woman, and a young half-breed boy who was claimed by his uncle, a dutchman. On the sunday evening they hastily raised camp, and marched during the whole night and a portion of monday. In the evening they met the Algonquins, about 30 in number, whose drunkenness had detained them on the road. They brought some relief to the troops by supplying game.

*Algonquins cause  
the failure of The  
expedition.*

Monsieur the governor found his provisions almost exhausted, when he was near the middle of lake champlain; he sent men to look for a cache of provisions, where Father Rafeix and Boquet had left some food, to the value of about 80 livres in all. Everything was found to have been stolen.

*Provisions stolen.*

*Father Raffeix In  
war.*

On the 8th of March, Monsieur the governor arrived at fort st. Louys. Many died of hunger; the number is not yet known, but it was over 60. Onnontio had a dispute with Father Albanel, who is at fort st. Louys, where he officiates as curé. He accused the Father of having purposely delayed the Algonquins, which proved to be untrue. But, as he was not satisfied, he tried to cast the blame upon the Jesuits. When he passed by three Rivers, he said to Father Fremin,

*60 died of hunger.*

*Blame cast upon The  
Jesuits.*