

the Savages have for him, and of what he had made them do in connection with the rumors of war that had spread last winter.

Monsieur the Bishop of Québec writes that the Savages of the Sault have earnestly begged him to represent to the Council their reasons for having no garrison; and that he would not otherwise do so, as this matter does not concern the Church. The reasons are: 1st, that if soldiers be placed there, it is only for their own interest and not for the good of the Savages; 2nd, that they furnish to the latter very bad examples, and that since they have been stationed there the mission has declined, as regards Religion; 3rd, as it is intended to place a garrison in that Mission alone, they think that they are distrusted, and they consider that the amount that would have to be spent in erecting barracks and a Guard-House of stone would be better employed, and would give them more pleasure, if spent on presents for them.

He says that the first two reasons are good and valid; that the 3rd concerns their own interests.

*Nota.* In 1720 an appropriation of 1,000 livres was set apart for the barracks and Guard-House, a similar amount in 1721, and another of 2,000 livres this year to complete the work, at the request of Messieurs de Vaudreuil and Begon.

With reference to the Garrison, Messieurs de Vaudreuil and Begon were written to on the 14th of June, 1721, in these terms:

“A memorial has been presented respecting the uselessness of the Garrison that is to be stationed at Sault St. Louis. It seems to the Council to be