learning it, as all the men have spent most of the winter in an expedition against their enemies the Sioux. Their only idol is the demon; and their fear of him prevents them from paying homage to the one God. Aulneau hopes that a fellow-worker may be sent him, another year. He has a presentiment that death is near—which, as we shall see, was fulfilled soon after he wrote this letter.

CCX. Le Petit announces (June 29, 1736), to the general of his order, the loss of two workers in the Western missions: Gabriel Guymoneau, for twenty years a minister to the Illinois tribes; and Antoine Senat, a colleague of the former, who was, on Palm Sunday, burned at the stake by the hostile Chickasaws.

CCXI. Nicolas de Gonnor writes to a priest in France, announcing the death of Aulneau, who has been murdered by a band of Sioux Indians, and desiring his friend to tell this sad news to Aulneau's family. Little more is known about his death than the fact that he and his party of twenty Frenchmen were slain—probably surprised at night; and that other Frenchmen, passing that way, found the dead bodies.

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