

nevertheless to understand and to make myself understood, but I would not dare yet to speak in public.

You expressed the wish, my reverend father, that I should give you all the information possible concerning the Jesuits of our province who are now missionaries in Canada. I shall not be long. Reverend father de Lauzon, superior-general of the mission, is universally esteemed, and with reason. He did his best with our reverend father general to be allowed to resign his office, which is a real burden to Him for more reasons than one, but it was decided that he should complete The ordinary term of six years. So we shall not have Him back in our Mission before their expiration. Father Chardon has been stationed for the last two years at The residence of monreal; he is looked upon as one of the most holy Jesuits sent out to canada. Father Guignas is in the Sioux country, at a little french fort with but six men with Him. Scarcely a month ago The marquis de Beauharnois, governor-general of new france, sent twenty-two men in four canoes with supplies of which he stood absolutely in need, for The Sioux refuse to provide for Him. It is not at all certain that The relief-party will reach him without molestation, their route lying close to the country of the renards. Father Saint pé, who has for companion father du Jaunay, an old fellow-student of mine at nantes, will return next year from missilimakinac, to take charge of the men's sodality at monreal. Father de La Richardie<sup>44</sup> spent the winter at Quebec, where he did a world of Good by the two general retreats he preached. The mention of this Reverend father's name reminds me that I must take back what I wrote you last year