

*Reply of the Foxes*

My Father, regard me as a person to be pitied. I am not ignorant of the steps Monsieur De Lignery has this day taken. This is what is good, my Father, M. D'Amariton, M. De Clagincourt, and the Reverend Father whom Monsieur De Lignery this day associates with himself, to have pity on us, our women and our children.

Behold, my Father, what is good. Although you have come at a time when a party of our young men are gone to war, this will not prevent me from giving them your words when we shall be together, nor from causing them from seeing things as you do.

Behold what is good. When I learned that Monsieur De Sourigny\* was gone to France, and that he came to announce to us on the part of the King a general peace; but, although the Master of Life may have disposed it thus, here is M. De Lignery, who comes to supply his place.

Since the Grand Ononthio, the King, extends his hand to us, to signify this day that he wishes truly to pity us, our children, and our women, thus, my Father, I give you to-day my word; although our young men are at war, I expect to gain them over.

*Reply of the Sauks*

Behold what is good, my Father. Behold what is good. We understand that you have pity on us, on our wives, and on our children. My Father, we are of no consequence; we are old men; we are always ready to listen to your words. My Father, although we may be worthy of pity, during your absence, you will have reason to [two words unintelligible] if there escapes a young man of all the company of which we are, because we have given their word—yes, yes, my Father.

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\* Probably a mis-transcription or mis-print for De Louvigny, who commanded the French expedition against the Foxes in 1714.