

This is the favor, Monsieur, that I ask of you for them. Sieur de Boisguillot, who remains here, will await your orders in this.

Two days after the murderers had had their heads broken, the Kiskacons, the Outaouats of Sable, and the Outaouats Sinagaux held a council, in which they gave me six collars (each tribe giving two), to cover the Frenchmen who had been killed, and to efface their blood, in order that the earth might be clean in future. An hour later, they performed the same ceremony toward Achiganaga and the relatives of the Folavoine who were then present.

The next day I held for them a great festival of wheat and tobacco in the cabin of Le Brochet, in order to take away the pain that I had caused him by pronouncing the death-sentence of the two savages in his cabin, without speaking to him of it. To this I invited all the chiefs and elders of all the tribes previously named. The Hurons here gave me three collars for the same purpose as the others had, and they gave three for the Sauteurs and the Folavoines.

It still remained for me to enable Achiganaga and his three children to go home and join their family, located about 120 leagues from here, where they had been taken. They could not travel this distance without my aid, as they were in need of everything. Knowing their need, I informed them that you were not satisfied with merely sparing their lives, but that you wished to preserve them in life by furnishing them with everything they needed to escape dying of hunger and cold on the way—which you did by giving them, by my hand, blankets, guns, powder, lead, mitasses,¹ tobacco, axes, knives, twine for making a beaver-net, shirts, and two sacks of wheat to keep them until they could kill some game. They departed two days

¹ Mitasse: an Algonkin word adopted by the French Canadians, as the name of the leggings worn by the Indians and hunters in winter; defined in Clapin's *Dict. Canad.-Français* as "a gaiter of deerskin or cloth, ornamented with designs in beads or moose-hair of various colors." Crawford Lindsay, of Quebec, informs the editor: "What the Indians and French Canadians call *mitasse*—the English inhabitants call 'neap'—a blanket over-stocking that we wear inside moccasins for snowshoeing."—*Jes. Relations*, lxvii, p. 344.