

nation, he could not answer for the consequences; and that it would be useless for them to ask him to land at their village.

The Puan chief returned to La Baye, where he exaggerated still further what Perrot had said to him. The Renard Chief visited him expressly to ascertain the truth of the matter, and dared not wait for Perrot. He departed with eighty of his warriors to march against the Nadouaissieux, after he had given orders to the people of his village to assure Perrot in his behalf that he loved him, and to take great pains to entertain him well. He proceeded to the post of the Frenchmen who were sojourning in the country of the Nadouaissieux; as they were afraid of him, they gave him presents—a gun, a shirt, a kettle, and various munitions of war; and he told them that Le Petit Bled d'Inde had resolved to recall them to La Baye. This news, which was not very agreeable to them, induced them to quit that establishment; and they retired to a place eighty leagues farther inland, where they engaged the Nadouaissieux to go hunting, and to return to them in the Winter. The Outagamis profited by this opportunity to attack the Nadouaissieux, of whom they slew many, and took several captives. The alarm was immediately given among the villages; the warriors fell upon them, and likewise slew many of the Outagamis, and took some captives. The Chief fought on the retreat with extraordinary courage, and would have lost many more of his people if he himself had not made so firm a stand at the head of his band.

The Miamis, who had heard the report that Perrot would soon arrive at La Baye, set out to visit him, to the number of forty, loaded with Beaver-skins; when they came near the house of the Jesuits, canoes were sent to them that they might cross a little stream. The Chief sent his young warriors to erect some cabins; when these had been made, they all resorted thither, in order to consult about the interview that they expected to hold with Sieur Perrot. An incident happened to a Saki who was at the time in his cabin; while he was sitting on the floor, a kettle which hung over the fire fell over him, and part of his body was burned, as he wore only an old raccoon-skin. He uttered a yell, with contortions that made those who were pres-