

Though the chiefs of Misillimakinac be resolved not to abandon their fort, notwithstanding they led Sieur de Callières to expect that they would remove to Detroit, it is a matter worthy consideration; he will communicate to them his resolution on this subject by the person he intends to send to Misillimakinac in the fall.

[Sieur de Vaudreuil does well not to give them a decisive answer on their resolution not to go to Detroit, and to postpone to another occasion the communication of his opinion thereupon, because he will, meanwhile, have my Lord's orders.]

As Sieur de Callières, to whom they had already applied for a Commandant, has written on the subject to the King, he will let them know his Majesty's pleasure on the arrival of the ships.

[It is important that my Lord communicate his pleasure in this regard. A commandant at Misillimakinac is unnecessary; he is on the contrary prejudicial. It has ever been the policy of Governors and officers to have commanders at Misillimakinac and everywhere else, in order to increase their powers.]

[*Good. To send positive instructions.*]

He will give orders to the person he intends to send to Misillimakinac to put a stop to the War between their neighbors, and to oblige them to execute the general treaty of peace; he, meanwhile, expects them to contribute thereunto on their side.

[Well answered and well done to expect them to maintain peace. His orders to that effect can be sent to the Missionaries to be communicated to the Indians, instead of sending private persons thither who go there only for the purpose of trading.]

[*Concl.—Appears good.*]

*Speeches of the Hurons to M. de Vaudreuil, 14th July.*

That it is their custom to speak of news before business.

[Such is their custom.]

The Mohawks have come on the part of the English to invite the Hurons to Orange.

[This is the work of Quarante Sols, already mentioned, which shows that it is not proper to have the Outaouas, Hurons, and other Indians friendly with the Iroquois. Some adroit effort must be made to prevent them becoming good friends.]

[*Good. With address; to write it to Vaudreuil.*]