

*M. de Vaudreuil's Answer.*

He tells Quarante Sols and his tribe what Sieur de la Motte ought to have told him—that he was informed he wished to go to the English to learn if they, as well as the Miamis, would be well received; that the English had assured them of a good reception, and requested him to remove his village to a distance from the French forts, so as to be able to settle near them at Lake Erie, offering physical aid in case the French would offer any opposition.

[This is the intrigue of Quarante Sols, which seems but too well founded, although Sieur de la Motte ridiculed the Jesuits when they notified him of it, saying it was a game arranged among themselves to prevent the Indians coming to Detroit.]

[*Detroit affair.*]

To-day he tells them that he did not wish to answer their belts without hearing their speech.

[That's right.]

He must be aware that the French are now at war with the English, and he cannot go to them without giving displeasure. His tribe is forbidden to do it, and, if any one contravene this prohibition, he believes that it will be himself, being sorry for his young men.

[Sieur de Vaudreuil does well to intimidate Quarante Sols, and to tell him that he does not wish him to go to the English.]

[*Good. Keep the hand on him.*]

He is glad to see the Hurons and Miamis united, and exhorts them to continue so. The late Sieur de Callières had invited him to settle at Detroit; he does the same, and would permit Sastaretsy to go and join him there.

[Well answered.]

[*Good.*]

He declares to him and to all the nations that he [the Governor] does not pretend thereby that any person should settle at Detroit, or at Lake Erie, without his permission, or that of Sieur de la Motte; that he understands that, after Sieur de la Motte had marked a place for him, he had passed the bounds, and had extended himself towards the French fort, and that this