

Renards; and he has also induced the oyatanons to make the same resolve, although they were not inclined, according to the statements which *Sieur de Ramezay* has the honor of sending you, and the report which he makes—to wage war on the Renards.

He sends you also, *Monseigneur*, a letter from *Sieur de Vincenne*, who informs him of the peace made between the miamis and oyatanons and the *Islinois*, and of their readiness to make war on the Renards, of whom they have put to death three, including the son of the Renard chief *Tonnere* [“Thunder”].

Besides the officers designated by *Monsieur the marquis de Vaudreuil* for this Expedition, *Sieur de Ramezay* sent *Lieutenant de Maunoir*, his eldest son, and *Ensign Dadoncour*, second son of *Monsieur de Longueuil*,<sup>1</sup> who desired to share in it. We hope that the good-will they have shown in going will have a beneficial effect on the minds of the Savages, who will feel flattered at seeing that we send, to serve with them in this war, the children of the commandant of this country and of *Monsieur de Longueuil*, who has great influence among them.

*Sieurs de Maunoir* and *Dadoncour* left *Montreal* last April, with *Sieur de Sabrevois*, commandant at fort *Pontchartrain* at *Detroit*, and arrived there on June 15. In conformity with their orders from *Sieur de Ramezay*, they assembled all the savages settled at that place, to deliberate regarding the most suitable post to serve as a *Rendezvous* for the Nations of the South. It was decided in this Council that *Sieurs de Maunoir* and *Dadoncour* should go with the miamis, *Oyatanons* and *Islinois* to *chicagou*—where, in case they arrived first, they were to await the Savages of *detroit*, who are to go there by land, hunting in order to spare their provisions. When they are all assembled there, they are to set out against the fort of the Renards, distant about 65 leagues from *Chicagou*; they can reach the fort from that place in about Seven days. They will regulate the time of their departure from *chicagou* so as to arrive at the fort of the Renards at the end of August. *Sieur de Lignery* will likewise assemble the French, with the outaois

---

<sup>1</sup>Charles Lemoine, second of that name, and baron de Longueuil; a brother of *Iberville*.—Ed.