

and the Savages of the North, who are at Michilimakina and its vicinity; and he will set out with them for the fort of the Renards, distant from Michilimakina about 80 leagues. He can reach it by boat in 5 or 6 days, regulating also the time of His departure from Michilimakina so that he also may arrive at the fort at the end of August. It was agreed in the council that the first corps reaching the fort should only invest it, waiting for the arrival of the second corps, which will enable them to attempt its capture in such manner as may seem best to Sieur de Lignery.

As soon as the Council was over, Monsieur de Sabrevois sent a boat to Michilimakina to Inform Sieur de Lignery, who sent Sieur de St. Pierre to Detroit to learn more precisely the Result of this Council—which he must have done soon after, as Sieur de St. Pierre went thither and returned without delay.

Sieurs de Maunoir and Dadoncour left Detroit on the 23rd of last June, to visit the miamis. Sieur de Sabrevois reports that they arrived there on the 3rd of last July. Accordingly, they have all the time necessary for assembling the miamis, oyatanons, and Islinois, and for taking the measures agreed upon for this attack.

Lieutenant de la Perriere left Montreal last April to go to Michilimakina, and thence among the Scioux, to Invite them not only to refuse refuge to the Renards but also to join us in making war upon them.

Captain D'Eschaillons, Lieutenant Lanour, and Ensign Belestre (who has taken the place of Ensign Contrecoeur, who has been very sick for the last six months) left Montreal last May, with a sergeant and 20 soldiers who are to form the garrison at Michilimakina. Sieur de Ramezay thought that they ought not to start sooner, because the Rendezvous for beginning hostilities was fixed for the end of August, and they would have uselessly consumed provisions which are very scarce there; and he expected them, besides, to arrive early enough for the Expedition.

Learning last spring that they were without corn at detroit, we had some bought from the Iroquois by Sieur de Joncaire who went among them with Monsieur de Longueuil. They bought