

tion, and that they ought, therefore, to make up their minds to go and Settle back of the Iroquois country, in a Place to which the English are trying to attract them. Having been informed of these intrigues of the Chiefs and of the perturbation which the Retreat of the French had produced among that nation, I sent from Montreal, in the month of August last, Sieur Dumont, half-pay Ensign, accompanied by Sieur simon Reaume, a former Voyageur, who has a reputation among the Savage nations, with two Canoes to bring presents to the Miamis, in order to pacify that nation and prevent them from being deceived by the Intrigues of Those Chiefs who favor the English, and to induce them if it can be done to go as soon as possible to the St. Joseph River. These Frenchmen are to go thence Among the Ouayatanons, and to those on the Teatiky, in order to nullify the influence of the Collars Sent to that nation by the Miami Chiefs who are in the Interests of the English, with an Invitation to go with them to Orange. Every effort is to be made to persuade them to quit the place where they are living, and to go to the Teatiky. This precaution seemed to me all the more necessary as I have foreseen that Sieur Du Buisson, upon whom I have always Relied, and whom the Council has allowed me to name as commandant at the post of the Ouayatanons, could not arrive early enough to get there This year. He will go next spring, and I hope that his Influence will suffice to Persuade the Savages and the Miamis to do what it is expedient that they should do.

[Proceedings of Council regarding letter (dated Oct. 6, 1721) of Governor Vaudreuil; dated Dec. 2, 1721. Source, same as that of preceding documents, but fol. 320.]

The Procurator of the Jesuits of New France has sent this year only a single Missionary to Canada. He was first placed in the mission of the Sault St. Louis, in place of Father de Lauzon, who had been called to Quebec to take charge of the School of hydrography, as Father le Brun, who had kept it, had died.¹

¹The missionary who arrived this year was Jacques Quintin de la Bretonnière; most of his life was spent in the Iroquois mission col-