

He requests, also, that a canoe be granted independently of the one granted annually for the other missions, to carry whatever is necessary for this mission; and, in case others are established in the direction of lake Superior, the same canoe will serve for them.

Father Davaugour represents that, in order to make an establishment of this sort, there must be a commandant who knows the Savages, and who at the same time can persuade them to receive the missionaries. He believes that there is no officer better adapted for this than *Sieur Pachot*, and none more able to ensure the success of such an establishment. He might be designated to serve there during three or four years.

1723: HOSTILITIES BETWEEN FOXES AND OTHER TRIBES;
POLICY OF FRENCH TOWARD THEM.

[Letter of *Vaudreuil* to French Minister; dated Oct. 2, 1723. Original MS. in archives of *Ministère des Colonies*, Paris; press-mark, "Canada, Corresp. gén., vol. 45, c. 11, fol. 136."]

MONSEIGNEUR, I have received the letter which you did me the honor of writing to me on May 22nd last, and have seen with great pleasure that you approved what I did in regard to the demands of the nations at Detroit for the execution of the project of war which they had proposed to make against the *Renards*.

Those Nations, since the Reply which I made last year granting them the 40 Frenchmen and 2 officers who were to serve them as a Nucleus for the war, have given no further thought to the execution of This project; But, on the contrary, they assured the *Renards* last July that they were thinking only of remaining at peace upon their mats, and that they had no part in the Attack which a party of Savages from *saghi-nan* had made upon the *Renards*. They took this precaution for Fear that the *Renards* might Impute to them this Blow, and might come suddenly upon them at Detroit to avenge the loss they had just suffered. Thus, *Monseigneur*, I do not see