

to the Chiefs of the Nations who came to la Baye, with the responses given by them to the Officer second in command, in presence of Reverend Father Chardon, the missionary at la Baye, and of the Interpreter, who have signed and certified the Copy as being correct—decided me to think no longer of sending Monsieur de Lignery to la Baye. This I was more Willing to do, since the Journey could have been taken only at great expense, which must be charged solely to the King's Account. That officer writes me, Monseigneur, that since his arrival at la Baye, all the tribes of the Renards and their allies, who desired naught but war, now seem animated by quite opposite sentiments; that they all promised him to go no longer on the war-path, and to Listen to no other words than those of the King their true father. The Courier despatched by the Sieur Duplessis to bring me this news, has also assured me that the chiefs of all those tribes will not fail to come down to Montreal this Spring.

I could not Monseigneur, lose the opportunity of communicating this News to you by a vessel that sails from this town for Isle Royale. I know how you have this matter at Heart, and I was very happy to be in a position on my arrival at Montreal to give you proofs of my attention to everything that you have done me the honor of recommending to me, and of the profound respect with which

I have the honor to be, Monseigneur, Your very humble and obedient servant,

BEAUHARNOIS.

MONTREAL, THIS 18TH OF MAY, 1727.

P. S. I must not forget, Monseigneur, that Messieurs The Baron de Longueuil and d'aigremont, to whom I have communicated this matter, are of the same opinion as myself. The latter has begged me not to mention him, lest it might pain Monsieur The Intendant; but in the absence of the latter I have deemed it my duty to do so—which leads me to beg You, Monseigneur, to be pleased to send the answer direct to me. Monsieur de Lignery, to whom I have communicated The news that I have received from la Baye, and who was with those Gentlemen, told me that he was ready to obey; but that he had already