

other by the poux, Quiquapoux, and mascoutins. But hardly Had the last mentioned tribes attacked the renards, trusting that the ilinois would keep them in check on the other side, when, on the contrary, the ilinois took to flight. In this first attack Seven poux were wounded, one of whom has since died; two quiquapoux of the river St. Joseph who Had Settled among The Sasquis [Sank], were also killed. This will have a very good Effect because the Sasquis Are said to be excited against the renards which was far from being the case before. Several renards were wounded also, and some are even believed to have been killed. The renards cried out to the quiquapoux And to the Mascoutins that they would make their Supper off them, but mandiché, the great chief of The poux replied to them that it was they who would Serve as food for all the tribes. The renards cried out some Time afterward that they were not far from the ouiatanons, but that they Would be dead before reaching there, because they had just observed the approach of men on horseback. It is believed that these are Monsieur de Vincenne with His people. The French of cahosquia also told the Ilinois not to go To war because they Knew not how to fight And because they Were women; but that they were Going to start with their negroes to Help their people who were attacked And to defeat the renards. They Are already a party of considerable numbers, for the Ilinois who had fled Have come back and Have joined the poux, quiquapoux, and Mascoutins. They have all dug pits in the ground wherein to shelter Themselves, and the renards Are on a wooded Islet; but If they remain on it there is every appearance that they may be defeated for the Savage who has arrived from river St Joseph says that Monsieur de villiers is to start with all his people, who this time appear to be fairly Willing. He adds also that Monsieur de Villiers has done me the honor of writing to me to ask for the Aid of Our Savages; but those letters have not yet arrived, and until they come our Savages will not start for they are a little Suspicious of the news. Father Richardy told me however that he had received yesterday Evening a letter from father