

in which they were left with him with the exception of 2 or 3 pounds of vermilion, a little black tobacco, and three pounds of thread of which he has made use to give some presents to the savages. Such is the account given me by the Sieur Dubuisson. I had the honor, Monseigneur, to inform you last year that of these goods, some to the amount of 1384 livres, 6 sols, 3 deniers, were taken and Used in paying the garrison during the year 1728, the Special account of which has Been established and included in the Statement of the sales made to the troops.

I have the honor to be with very profound respect, Monseigneur, Your very humble and very obedient servant.

HOCQUART

QUEBEC, October 23rd, 1730.

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[Extract of a letter from Hocquart to the French Minister, dated, Oct. 23, 1730. Source, same as preceding document, but vol. 53, c. 11, fol. 167.]

MONSEIGNEUR—

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Messieurs de Longueuil and de Noyon are going to France on the ship la Marguerite belonging to the Sieur fleury. The latter seemed to me thoroughly well-informed regarding The upper country and detroit in particular. He communicated to me the project he sent you last year. He is particularly anxious about The construction of a bark on Lake Erie for the conveyance of furs; and his suggestion that the Commandant of detroit should not carry on any trade, seems to be in the interest of the service. But it would not be advisable at present to abandon any of the posts where the French are established. That officer passes for an intelligent man, thoroughly disinterested and zealous for The service. He spent only 24 hours in Quebec and I had not