

may have the honor of informing you of the blow inflicted by me, at the head of the French and savages, upon the renards, who were going to join The Iroquois and who were stopped by The poutouatamis, mascoutins, quikapoux, And The jllinois of le rocher.

On the 6th of August two mascoutins came to us here, who had been Sent expressly by their chiefs, to inform me that the renards had struck The poutouatamis, quikapoux, mascoutins, and jllinois, And the Latter, in revenge, had pursued them and found them marching in a body with Their women and children in the direction of the jroquois; and had come to blows with them. Our people then numbered only About Two hundred men, as one Hundred had been allowed to depart on the previous day. The attack began at Ten o'clock in the morning. They defeated The renards and put them to flight, But the latter rallied and gained renewed vigor; they fought until nightfall. In this affair Our people had Six men killed, and three wounded. One of our Bravest war-chiefs, named Okeia, was among the dead, and Pindigaché, another chief, was Wounded. The renards had seven men killed And thirty wounded. During The night, The poutouatamis posted themselves on a hill in the prairie and dug holes in the earth by way of a fort. On their side, The renards with their families took possession of a small grove of trees and fortified themselves. On The following day, they parleyed with one another to gain time and to obtain assistance. During these parleys, the Pouatouamis sent Papissa, with a young man to the oüyâtanons to ask aid of the tribes and the French at that post. The mascoutins sent to ask me to join the poutouatamis and to likewise come to their assistance.

The jllinois in the same manner, sent messages to the caokias. As soon as I heard the news I notified the Sieur Denoyelles, and sent two Savages to Detroit, but they did not reach there in time.

I started from my post on the 10th of August, with the French Who were then in a condition to March, and with all the savages here, including Poutouatamis, Myamis, and Saquis