

That sum by the Court both by means of the Permits for the upper country that are sold and that sometimes amount to 25,000 livres per annum, and of the produce of detroit which is not Included. The poorest families will be able to do without it for The time being, and they will derive a greater benefit therefrom through That derived by the Colony.

It but remains for me to speak of the line of Conduct to be followed in order to ensure success.

The matter must be kept secret until the spring when we start, so that the renards may not Know of it.

It will be time to notify our settled Savages when they return from hunting, and to start at the end of the Month of May; But we shall send a Canoe when the ice breaks up to detain the savages of detroit Until the arrival of the army.

When the junction is effected at the post, We shall leave it by land and the army will be posted, in accordance with the information we may have of the renards' retreat, Between river St Joseph And them so as to cut off all Communication between them and the savages of That post, all of whom are their friends and allies, And also with the French traders who sell them ammunition.

We shall refuse the services of the said savages of river St Joseph if they should wish to join Us, Convinced as we must be that their sole design is to save the Renards By betraying our interests.

When we shall have carefully approached the enemy to within a distance of a few day's march, they laden with the old men, the women, and the Children, will no longer be In a position to fly, before light and fresh troops; besides which they cannot fly and live on their hunting at the Same time.

We shall find the Renards unprovided with arms and Munitions And food, And no Nation will dare to give them refuge when they see at their heels a party determined to destroy them.

Thus when it shall be decided, As it Should be, to spend the winter in their country Where they will not dare to Scatter because they will have to keep their wives And Children, they