

men who beg for mercy on all sides, and who make up, Say ten Cabins, which have come to la baye to cast themselves into the arms of Monsieur de Villiers and in which were 20 men and 30 or 40 women and Children; 4 other Cabins, two of which have gone to the Kikapoux and Maskoutins who would not receive them lest they might break their word given to their Father, and the two others to the river St Joseph where they were told the same thing; while Six others are Wandering about. These are all that remain I think, Monseigneur. Moreover if there were any others, besides the fact that they are no longer in a Condition to cause us any Anxiety, there will be no question of them before very long because All the other nations are actually in the Field to exterminate the race as they have been Informed that the Renards had failed to keep the promise that they had given me to send down four of the most notable Among them this year. I sent back the Chief whom they had left me as a hostage, and through him I informed them that I had relied on the word that they had given me, I had not Requested the Nations to destroy them; That the attack just made Upon them by the hurons and the Iroquois was apparently the sequel of the old quarrel that they had had Together; that I had not been informed of their expedition; but that as they had failed to observe the conditions that had Induced me to grant them their Lives, I left their fate to the discretion of the savages. We may consider that it is in good hands judging from the ardor they display, and I do not think there will be a question of any Renard next year.

The Sieur de Linctot who has been charged with the Re-establishment of the post among the scioux, wrote to me that he was unable to reach there before last spring, and that he was compelled to pass the winter at a Place called La Montagne qui trempe dans l'Eau, thirty leagues from that post. Through that officer I learned that fourteen Renards (who had Escaped from the attack of our hurons and Iroquois) had come to his Camp to beg for their lives. But that through fear of the Puants (who were Camped near the Sieur de Linctot) they had not long remained there, and I suspect