

The Sieur De St Pierre, the commandant among the Scioux, and Father Guignas, the missionary of that Post, Wrote me on the tenth and eleventh of April last that Ouabasseban or le Chat blan, the great Chief of the Sakis, Had Come to tell them on the first of the same month that the Renards Were about to divide Themselves into several war parties, and attack on all sides, since they had no longer any Hope of their Lives; that all that he could obtain from them Was that they should suspend Their Expeditions Until his return; that afterward they would act according to the good or bad tidings he might bring them; that as for Him and His people, they had Resolved to separate from that desperate nation.

The Sieur De St Pierre Replied to him: "Since the Sakis Are the cause of the Renards Still Being in a Condition to give trouble because they have not abandoned them, you should now Prevent Them from Carrying out their evil design, and Induce Them to remain quiet Until Onontio, to whom I Shall Write, has made Known His Intentions."

A proposal was made to the Sieur De St Pierre to let them form Villages partly with the Puants in whom they had confidence and partly with the Sakis, that then there would no longer be any question of the Renards. Le Moyne, the Sakis chief who is faithful to the French and Onnontaté, a Nipissingue chief, Came down to bring me this News. They asked me what my plans were and I sent them Back saying that I Was a good Father who forgave his Children when they asked for mercy; that I Willingly granted the Sakis Their Lives, because I Was informed that what they had done was solely through the solicitation of the Renards; that I also wished to have pity on the Renards And to grant them their Lives, since the Sakis asked me to pardon Them, but only on condition that they should disperse among the nations, and that no mention should Ever be made of the name of the Renards, who had so often Disturbed the earth. This, Monseigneur, was the best line of conduct that I could follow with respect to that post, which the Sieur De St Pierre had written to me they would be obliged to abandon, and that there Was danger in driving