

Saint Pierre perceiving it, asked him where he had got it; the chief did not reply, and began to laugh. The officer *tore off the seal with the ear*, telling him he was very bold to appear before him with such a thing, and had him turned out of the fort.

On the 18th of December, they [the Sioux] arrived to the number of thirty six men with their families. The young men went ahead, and set fire to the fort of the Puans. The sieur de Saint Pierre asked Ouakantapé whether he was not content with having struck two foul blows at the French, without also coming to insult them in their fort by burning that of the Puans, their brothers. He replied that what he was doing was done after reflection and designedly. Then they pulled up the stakes in Reverend Father Guignas's garden, burned them, and went away.

On the 24th of January, 1737, at eight o'clock in the morning while the gates of the fort were open to allow of wood being carried in, forty Sioux entered all at once. Although he had no previous knowledge of this, when the sieur de Saint Pierre was informed of it, he had the gates closed and said to them: "How came you to enter here in such great numbers without warning, and what is your design? You must remember that I told you last autumn I would not receive more than ten of you at a time. If you have anything to say to me I will not listen to you until you have sent out all your young men." This they did; after which they proposed to him to urge the traders to give them credit. He replied that he would not do so, because he could not forget the foul blows they had struck; that, nevertheless, if the traders wished to be so good to them, he would not prevent them. The Sioux said amongst themselves: "We are forty to twenty; all we have to do is to pillage." On hearing this, he had them put out, and they all went away.

On the 18th or 20th of March, the Sioux, to the number of thirty men, encountered in the interior at the head of Lake Superior a Salteaux with his wife and two children all of whom they killed and scalped. When the Saulteux heard of this,