

ignorant of the means you intend to make use of and of the Steps you order me to adopt, as Monsieur the Marquis de Beauharnois has not done me the honor of communicating them to Me.

That post is greatly disturbed in consequence of a quarrel that Arose between the hurons and the outaouas. The blood that was shed in it leads me to fear lest all the Savages are concerned in it, for, Monseigneur, those two languages interest all the Nations of that country. This year again those two Nations had asked Me to command them; the outaouas had come down for That purpose. Here is a suitable opportunity to put their friendship to the test, and I flatter Myself that Your grace will have sent peace there when I reach the place. Hitherto, Monseigneur, attempts have been made to find in the flood of brandy that has Poured through that Wretched post, reasons for concealing under the pretext of the interests of the Colony the avidity of Sordid lucre gained by the Commandants in opposition to the laws of honor and of religion. I beg Your grace to give Me orders to the contrary, authorizing me to punish the guilty and which may keep me Myself in Check should I be so Wretched as to endeavor to make My fortune by Such shameful Means. By this Alone, Monseigneur, shall I be able to maintain order, to make Myself feared and esteemed by the French and the Savages, and succeed in placing on a firm basis the establishment your grace orders me to begin. I will send you an accurate and faithful Report every year if God be pleased to grant me My Health that has been Greatly weakened by three most painful operations Performed since the Month of April. My zeal for the service has not Suffered from this, and I feel that I have still sufficient strength to Withstand the unavoidable fatigue and trouble.

I remain with the most profound Respect, Monseigneur,
Your grace's most humble and most obedient servant

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