

Abenakis by taking possession of all their lands.¹ He had great trouble in reaching there, owing to the season which was far advanced, and he carried out the orders and instructions that he had received to the satisfaction of Monsieur the Marquis de Vaudreuil.² But that journey and most of those that preceded it were very costly to him, for his Expenses were never reimbursed, and he never received any allowance either from the Court or from the governors who sent him.

1727 He was appointed by Monsieur The Marquis de Beauharnois Commandant at Chaoüamigon, 600 Leagues from Quebec. On arriving at that post he withdrew from the tribe of savages there, who are the Sauteux, a Collar which they had received from the Iroquois by the hands of an Outaouis Chief called Le feu bleu, and by which they had agreed to destroy the entire French nation. On handing me that Collar, they begged me to carry it myself to their father, which I did; but I was unable to bring them the answer, as they had requested me to do, because Monsieur the Marquis de Beauharnois did not deem it advisable.

1728 He remained on garrison duty in the town of Quebec, which he would not have done had he not received orders to that effect, for during the whole time that he has served the King he has sought every occasion to make himself deserving of promotion.

1734 He went to discover the Mines of Lake superior and of the other Lakes, and he remained there until 1736, as may be seen by the journal Sent by him to Monseigneur the Comte de Maurepas.

[The remainder of this memoir is a duplicate of the succeeding report of La Ronde (pp. 309-311), entitled, "Continuation of the Discov-

¹ This was connected with the war between the Abenaki and Massachusetts (1721-25), the most dramatic feature of which was the killing of Father Rasle, the Jesuit missionary. See Charlevoix, *History of New France*, v, pp. 206-282, for the French side of this event; and Palfrey, *History of New England* (Boston, 1875), iv, pp. 434-444, for the English.—Ed.

² See evidence in regard to this, ante, p. 20.—Ed.