

young kinsmen arose, and crushed the Outaouacs with blows of their war-clubs. This, my Father, is the manner in which this outrage came to pass. We have not come here for the purpose of hiding anything from you, nor to Excuse those of our people who have done this grievous deed. We have come here to deliver up our Bodies; we are ready to undergo all the penalties that we deserve. We beg you to inform Our Father Onontio of this. This is all that we have to say to You.

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1740: WISCONSIN INDIANS AT MONTREAL

[Speeches of the Foxes, Sauk, Winnebago, Ottawa, and Menominee, to Governor-general Beauharnois, June 20, 1740. Source, same as preceding document, but fol. 86.]

*Le Moine speaking for the Sakis and Renards through a Slave.*

My Father, I am Hired by the Sakis and Renards. What I am going to say, does not come from me.

My Father, it Is true that there are ill-disposed Men in our Village. This has not Prevented me from coming to see you. I have Listened to none of their speeches.

My Father, when I resolved to come and see you, I said to Monsieur Marin that I had no conveyance; I begged him to give me passage.

My Father, I have always Listened to you, and I have not doubted for a moment all that you have formerly said to me. Monsieur Marin told us, last summer, that we Had gone too Far away from our Lands, and that we must go nearer.

My Father, I told Monsieur Marin that we had chosen a Place where Food Was Abundant.

My Father, I trust always to You, and I do not See any others upon whom I can count, since it is you who give us life.

My Father, I come here to ask our lives of you. You Are the master. We put our wives and our Children under your protection.