

1740-41] French Regime in Wisconsin

Nations and my answers, with The Extract from the Council held at Orange.

I remain with very profound Respect, Monseigneur, Your very humble and very obedient Servant.

BEAUHARNOIS

QUEBEC, October 1, 1740.

1740: PETITION OF LA RONDE

[Denys de la Ronde, the elder, to the French Minister, dated Quebec, Oct. 12, 1740. Source, same as preceding document, but fol. 216.]

[Summary:—He represents that he is the senior officer in the colony, after Monsieur de Beaumont. As a reward for 53 years service, he asks to be granted the brevet rank of major of the troops, to which the senior captain of the companies is entitled, and which his predecessors enjoyed.

He likewise asks the minister's protection for his four sons who are also in the service, the eldest of whom, commanding at Chagouamigon in the petitioner's absence, is 30 years of age while the youngest is 18].¹

1740-41: CONDITIONS IN THE UPPER COUNTRY

[Memoir on the Indians and their relations, unsigned.² MS. in archives of Ministère des Colonies, Paris; press mark, "Canada, Corresp. gén., vol. 76, c. 11, fol. 263."]

Our Iroquois had entered into The peace made with the Chichachas at fort assumption,³ by giving porcelain both in Shells

¹Memoranda on original document: "No—as regards the rank of major which the King does not wish re-established. A commission of Second Ensign to his eldest son."

²At the close of the document is the signature "Boubersheur," but this is probably Beaucourt, and relates only to the fortification of Montreal (part here omitted) of which he was commandant.—Ed.

³This was the treaty made with the Chickasaws in April, 1740. The Iroquois were those of the missions, frequently known as the "praying Iroquois."—Ed.