

son I have determined to send with the people of the Sault those of the Lake and two hurons.

I have reason to think, Reverend Father, that it would be necessary to attract the hurons who have gone over to the Side of the English toward belle Rivière; although bandits, according to the description you give me of them.

By your last Letter you tell me that there is no change as Regards the hurons, except that their Desire to Settle at Montreal has diminished without passing away, because they are convinced they are not wanted; that only a strong message from me with a similar one from their brothers of the Sault can attract them (you are again silent with respect to those of the Lake.) You add that you would not like to guarantee that all would go, although you think that those who would remain would gradually join the others.

The settlement upon the island¹ of which you speak, where all would gather, is not suitable in any way, because I should consider them much less in safety at that Place than at the Post of Detroit. Therefore, Reverend Father, they must decide to come here, because I think they cannot remain at that place; they must also be Removed from that spot to put an end to all uneasiness and to quiet the land. It is publicly stated here that they have planned to go and Live with the Têtes-plates, at the first movement against them.

I am delighted, Reverend Father, that Monsieur and Madame de Noyan should be to your liking; they are greatly to mine.

I remain etc.,

¹Note on original MS.: "Grosse isle 3 or 4 Leagues from Detroit."