

he should never do anything to displease me, and that, in Accordance with the Testimony which Monsieur de Vercheres should give as to his Conduct, I would reinstate him as chief. I sent him back with some presents. The Sieur de Celoron has assured me that he was very Helpful to him in His Undertaking.

The Nontagués, [Onondaga] came down this year with a Goyagouin, [Cayuga] and later the Sonontonans [Seneca] came. You will see, Monseigneur, by their words that these savages appear to be very well disposed Toward us. The Sieur de Joncaire has assured me that they Would at least be neutral If we should have a war with the English. I have Had the honor of Sending you these communications by the transport-ship "Canada," with my own answers of which I enclose a Copy. I will add, in regard to the Sonontonans, that I gave a Flag to them, which Theouatakoute took in His arms during the Council, saying to me: "My Father, I will die rather than let the English make me throw this down, and I will carry it among Them when passing Choueghen.

I am very glad, Monseigneur, that His Majesty has deigned to approve the arrangement that I have made in regard to the hurons of Lorette and the Iroquois of the Lake of the two Mountains. I have noted what you have favored me with in another communication with regard to what has occurred among the Iroquois of Sault St. Louis, which I shall Have the honor of answering.

On October 28 of last year, the great chief Ouakantapé, a Scioux, with four other Chiefs of his Village, and several war-Chiefs, came to see the Sieur Marin in order to beg him to take pity on them, and to employ His influence with me to obtain pardon for their past faults. He told them to go down and ask for it Themselves. Ouakantapé and Ouasi-kouty<sup>1</sup> came down with the Sieur Marin. They were accom-

<sup>1</sup>Ouakantapi (Wakandapi) was the hereditary name of the chief of one tribe of Sioux. For previous mention of this tribesman, see *Wis. Hist. Colls.*, xvi, p. 187, 394. Possibly Ouasikouty was of the Ouascoutetons, a tribe of western Sioux; *ibid.*, p. 193.—Ed.