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July 24th. Sieur Belestre arrives from Detroit with 8 Outaouas Chiefs, 4 Hurons (Sastaredzy, the principal Chief, and Tayachatin, another Chief, are among the latter), 2 Senecas and 8 other Indians, some of whom are Hurons, from Lorette, who accompanied him last winter to Detroit. 8 other Outaouas, whom M^r de Belestre brought along, have remained at Montreal, and are to join the party commanded by M^r de la Corne.

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Aug. 9th. The Hurons of Detroit have spoken in Council. They have requested, among other things, that Father Larichardie, their former Missionary, should return with them in order to labor effectually in the restoration of tranquility among that nation. We concluded that this could have only a good effect, under existing circumstances, considering the derangement of affairs at Detroit, and the special confidence these Indians repose in this Missionary; we therefore have not hesitated to grant their request. Father Larichardie readily consented to the arrangement; he is to leave in a few days for Montreal and proceed thence to Detroit. The General has just appointed Ensign de Belestre to command at the River St. Joseph. He will remain at Detroit, under the orders of Chev^r de Longueuil, as long as that officer will deem it necessary for the good of the service, who will permit Sieur de Belestre to go to, and come from, the River St. Joseph whenever he shall think proper. This officer will accompany Father La Richardie. We send word of all this to Montreal in order to the preparation there of the provisions, ammunition and the effects necessary for the voyage and the winter's residence of both. We write to M^r de Longueuil, in consequence of these arrangements, so that he may, on his