

them, and carry them some presents, should he be of opinion that that officer might undertake the journey without danger, and that it is necessary to secure the fidelity of these Indians.

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Aug. 28th. The Poutouatamies demand leave to return home, for the purpose of putting an end to, and counteracting, the misrepresentations that may be circulated among their people and allies. They regard the attacks of the Outaouas and Sauteurs as if made against them, calling themselves good Frenchmen and asking for a commander.

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Sept. 1st. Arrived, Pindalouan, an Outaouas chief¹ and nine others, and a Sauteur of Michilimakinac, who are come to see the General.

Sept. 6th. M^r Michel writes us of the death of Taychatin, second chief of the Hurons of Detroit, who had come down from Detroit with M^r de Belestre. We fear that the death of this Indian and that of Sastaredzy, grand chief of that Nation, will create some unfavorable impression on the minds of the Hurons of Detroit in the present conjuncture of affairs at that post.

Pindalouan and the other Outaouas of Michilimakinac have earnestly demanded permission to return home; we did not consider it our duty to induce them to remain, considering the lateness of the season. We have not failed to communicate to them the bad state of affairs at Michilimakinac. They appeared greatly surprised, and gave us to understand that their principal motive in returning home, was to endeavor to put everything again in order. We have treated them well.

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Sept. 12th. We learn from Montreal that Father La Richardie and M^r de Belestre left that place on the 10th for De-

¹ In a fit of pique and bad humor, Pindalouan had formerly insulted the French emblems. For his repentance and re-instatement in favor, see *N. Y. Colon. Docs.*, ix, p. 1098. He appears to have thereafter remained loyal to the French.—Ed.