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selves masters of all the upper country through the Sole medium of the Savages whose minds they have won by their address. I hope the evil will not become greater, but I should not Be Surprised if it did.

The only way to remedy it and to secure the fidelity of all the Savages, the peaceful and Complete possession of all the upper country, and the Entire Trade with all the Savages that dwell there, Is, therefore: to deprive them of all Communication with the English. To succeed in this, and to Establish a lasting peace in the whole of the upper country, let Your Grace make England Agree in the next treaty of peace with This Crown, that the English shall abandon and Give up to the King for ever the Complete possession of the fort of Chouégen; that they Renounce having any relation with the Five yrocoisses nations, who shall Remain subjects of His majesty; that they shall carry on no Trade either directly or indirectly throughout the territory Around lakes hontariô, lake herrier, lake huron, Rivière Blanche and Belle Rivière; that all the English Trading at the said Rivière Blanche and Belle Rivière and in all their dependencies and other surrounding territories, shall Withdraw to their own country for ever Without ever being allowed to Return and carry on any Trade, or even Under any pretext whatsoever.

By this means all the posts and upper countries will Be at peace and In Safety, the Trade will become double what the French have hitherto done, and will never again pass into the hands of the English.

With Regard to l'isle Royalle, the lands of la Cadie, and other places, I would not take the liberty of saying Anything. You Know better than anybody, Monseigneur, what Should be done for the Safety and advantage of the country. I most humbly Beg Your Grace to pardon me if I venture to make a few remarks Regarding the upper countries of This Colony; but I Beg you At the same time to Observe that my zeal and my devotion to the King's Service have alone led me to take that liberty, with The Sole desire to pay my respects to you, to deserve The honor of your protection, and to assure you that I remain, with