

reminding him of the principal views he ought to entertain in such a case, namely: the security of the French of Detroit; of the new fort he has proposed to establish below that post, and finally, of all present and future settlements; so that, with these precautions, there will be no more cause to apprehend like disorders in future, and at least these Indians will be restrained and their bad designs anticipated, should they dare to renew them.

The General answers Mikinac and Onanguisset's messages; he expects them to persevere in their attachment to us; the winter season does not permit him to send the detachment of French and Indians they appear to desire; announces to them a well escorted and provisioned convoy next spring, which will afford them reason to felicitate themselves on their good dispositions towards us. Orders are sent to Montreal to send Mikinac, by the deputies, the presents he has demanded; we have not been able to dispense with granting to that chief this mark of distinction in order to avoid all jealousy, especially as the other chiefs, who have come to Quebec last year, have been equally well treated.

Chevalier de Longueuil is recommended to send to Sieur Berthet, at the Illinois, the aid of goods and ammunition he may be able to spare him, so as to afford him the means of protecting himself from the deplorable consequences which the affair of the Miamis might drag after it.

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1748: PUNISHMENT FOR CONSPIRATORS

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5<sup>th</sup> April, 1748.<sup>1</sup> Count de Lagalissonnière being desirous to punish such of the Michilimakinac and Detroit Nations as had, at the instigation of the English, made incursions on the

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<sup>1</sup>This is the date of the Abstract, not of the Despatch.—E. B. O'CALLAGHAN.