

I have never before seen so many savages from different Places as have come down this year to Montreal. The Outawacs and Sauteux from Missilimakinac¹ Came here two days after my arrival to inform me of what had passed among the Renards and to Know what I wished them to Do.

The Sakis and Poutéouatamis of the river St. Joseph Came with the same object.²

The Hurons, Poutéouatmis, and Outawacs of detroit also came down for that purpose.

The Miamis and Ouyatanons [blank space in MS.]

The nipissingues and Tabitibis of the post of Temiscamingue³ have also Come to offer me their services.

The Testes de boules⁴ who dwell on the height of land toward the shores of the northern Sea, have sent three of their people to assure me of their attachment to the French.

The Renards who have attacked the Quicapoux, Mascoutins, folles avoines, and sauteux have So irritated the nations of the upper country against them that there is not one of these who is not disposed to wage war on them. The Sioux and ayowets have refused to give them shelter in their lands; so that they have been obliged to return to their former Village where they Are surrounded by all these nations who are at war with

¹These were the chief tribes about Mackinac, hostile to the Foxes and loyal to the French. See *Wis. Hist. Colls.*, xvi, index.—Ed.

²The French had been endeavoring for some time to detach bodies of Wisconsin Indians from too close neighborhood with the Foxes. The Potawatomi (Poutéouatami), and the Sauk (Sakis, had gone in large numbers to the post at St. Joseph. See *Wis. Hist. Colls.*, v, p. 94; xvi, pp. 393, 397, 399.—Ed.

³This was a post on an upper tributary of the Ottawa River, established for the benefit of the Nipissings (Nipissinques), and Abittibis (Tabitibis) of the river of the same name flowing into Hudson Bay. The former tribe were first visited by Champlain in 1613; they fled to the North before the Iroquois. At present they occupy a reservation of 64,000 acres on the north shore of Lake Nipissing, and in 1897 had a population of 200. See Alexander Henry, *Travels and Adventures* (Bain's ed., Boston, 1901), p. 30, note.—Ed.

⁴See *Wis. Hist. Colls.*, xvi, pp. 114, 115, note 2.—Ed.