

Rigaud and Marin three hundred and twelve thousand livres; and in the time of Monsieur Marin père, who had as associates Messieurs de la Jonquière and Bigot, it produced more than one hundred and fifty thousand livres per year net. It was then that they proved the proverb, the blessing of peace is more valuable than war.

The returns from the post of the Sea of the West are also considerable.

License is the name given to the permission that the governor-general accords for a canoe loaded with six thousand livres of merchandise, which they carry for sale to one of the posts indicated. the price of this permission is fifty pistoles and the governor general, who determines whether he will give more or less in number, applies the funds received to the support of the poor families of officers. Account is rendered to the king for only twenty-two licenses; the governor often gives as many as forty, the half of the fifty pistoles goes into the king's treasury, and the other half is at the disposal of the governor for gratifications.

Michilimakinac is the entrepôt of all the posts of the north and Detroit of all those of the south.

Détroit the most beautiful country of all the Upper Nations, has a temperate climate, where the vine might be produced.

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Savages.—Aouapou is a savage word employed by the Canadians to denote the complete suit of clothing that one must give to a savage. It consists of a blanket, a shirt, leggings, shoes, and a breechcloth; when there is added to this a capot, it is a present.

The equipment is the same for the women, except that in place of the breechcloth they give them a short skirt called a petticoat (*machicotté*), and if a young man lacks the courage to defend himself, and to come and go to war, they impose on him the ignominy of wearing a petticoat. The Five Nations, having formerly vanquished the Loups, adopted them, and forbade them going to war and ordered them to wear the petti-