

might have met with an accident, had a search made for him. Nothing was found but his overturned canoe at a place called les Islet without rudder, mast, sails, or ropes, and four days afterward some Saulteux of la grosse Isle brought to the said Sieur de Combre the sail of the said Canoe which they had found fastened to its mast at la pointe aux Sables, about two leagues from the fort.⁸ Notwithstanding all the efforts of the said Sieur de Combre, he was unable to find the body of the said Sieur Millon until the 15th of last May. There were many rumors as regards the manner in which he came to his death. He thought he might have been killed by the Savages, but there were no wounds on his body beyond those inflicted by birds, the marks of whose beaks could be seen on the head and other parts of the body; so that there is every reason to believe that he was drowned, as the small size of his canoe and the heavy wind that blew on the day of his departure would allow of no other conclusion. The Sieur de Combre who has been in command of the said post since the death of the said Sieur Millon, has performed the duty most satisfactorily and has sent me a very good report on all that has happened. I have every reason to be satisfied with him. He brought here the nations of the said post, and I sent him to take them back to their country.

I return to Sieur Marin. As soon as he has put everything

inac. At the close of the war he held the rank of lieutenant, and was drowned on the ill-fated "Auguste," November, 1761.

Charles Porcheron, Sieur de Combre, was promoted to an ensignship in 1751. Born in Angoulême, France, he was married at Quebec in 1763. He appears to have served on the eastern frontier during the French and Indian War.—Ed.

⁸ Les Islets were doubtless the small islands not far from the exit of Fox River into Green Bay. Point Sable, still known by the same name, is about six miles below the mouth of the Fox, on the east coast of the bay.

Grosse Isle was Michillimackinac Island, where there was a well-known settlement of Chippewa (Saulteur); see *Wis. Hist. Colls.*, xvii, p. 462, note 4.—Ed.