

executed without much fatigue and expense; to which I ask the Council to please give their attention, in order that they may allow me the gratification they may think proper, as I have not carried on any kind of commerce. On the contrary, I gave to all the nations which were with me, the few beaver skins that the Foxes had presented me with, to convince them that in the war the French were prosecuting, they were not guided by motives of interest. All those who served in the campaign with me, can testify to what I take the liberty to tell the Council.

Signed:

LOUVIGNY.

At Quebec, October 14, 1716.

DE LOUVIGNY'S SERVICES IN THE FOX WAR

[M. De Vaudreuil's letter, dated Quebec, October 30, 1716, relative to the services of M. De Louvigny.]

By my memorial of the 16th of this month, I informed the Council of the manner in which the Sieur De Louvigny put an end to the war with the Foxes.

I now feel it my duty to call the attention of the Council to the merits of that officer. He has always served his country with much distinction; but in his expedition against the Foxes he signalized himself still more by his valor, his capacity, and his conduct, in which he displayed a great deal of prudence. He urged the canoes that ascended with him to make all possible speed, and he obliged those in Detroit to accompany him. He showed the Hurons and other Indians of that place, that he was going to the war in earnest; that he was not a trader, and he could dispense with their services. This brought them back to their duty. But it was especially at Michillimakinac, where he was anxiously expected, that his presence inspired in all the Frenchmen and Indians a confidence which was a presage of victory. Again; he made the