

this idea first obtain, and what were the motives which begot it? We have seen that the Acadians were faithful to their oath of allegiance—that under no circumstance did they fail to declare and prove themselves subjects of Great Britain. It is true they demanded a restricted oath which would exempt them, in case of war between the English and French, from fighting against their own kinsmen. Now the strange thing about this qualified oath is, that it should prove satisfactory to Governor Phillips but entirely unsatisfactory to Governor Lawrence. For forty-three years these peaceful Acadians lived and tilled their fertile acres, remaining ever true to this *Serment de Fidélité*, rejecting every overture made by the French, to attach themselves to France, and, notwithstanding all this, the English governors have already planned their cruel expulsion and deportation, provided they can only prevail upon the Home government to subscribe to it.

(To be continued).

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J'AI donné dans le dernier numéro du *Courrier du Livre* 46 éditions des célèbres ouvrages du Père Louis Hennepin. En terminant mon Etude, j'avouais qu'il pourrait s'en rencontrer encore plusieurs autres, et les événements m'ont donné raison. Ainsi, j'ai reçu d'un bibliophile américain communication de quatre nouvelles éditions que je ne connaissais pas. M. Porter—tel est son nom—est l'heureux possesseur de 32 éditions du même religieux. C'est probablement la plus vaste collection qui existe. Nous l'en félicitons à bon droit.