

comprehend under the general name of Uttawawas; the trade of Michilimakinac on the streights betwixt Huron and Mishigan centers here, as likewise that of the lake Superior; for the other communication from Canada with these upper lakes by the Uttawa river, is rendered so difficult by its being frozen up for many months in the year, and its numerous rifts and cascades, that it does not answer the trouble and expence. It was this furr trade which enriched the inhabitants of Canada, and enabled them to purchase and make use of the manufactures of their mother country, which when they are totally deprived of, by what means they can make any profitable returns to France, or add to the revenue of its government, I confess I am not able to discover. As to their  
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