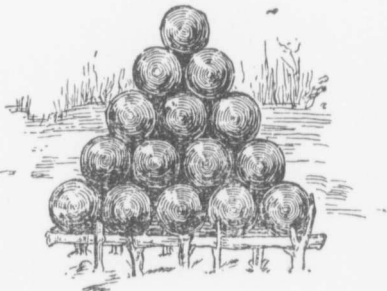


How the French fathered their allies is a story full of honour to the pioneers of the New World but the love of gold is often a stumbling block with nations as with individuals and as the years rolled on, the judicious distribution of money and gifts in kind won to the English the allegiance of those children of nature. In 1746 was placed on record the accounts of open hostility on the part of the Indians to their former friends among others being an attack on two canoe loads of Frenchmen at La Cloche, the murder of a trader at Grosse Isle and the killing of horses and cattle all along the line wherever the French were found so that a guard was kept constantly under arms to march on the shortest notice.



In 1748 Count Maurepas who was in charge of the colonies of New France wrote to his sovereign :

" Voyageurs are robbed and maltreated
 " at Sault Sainte Marie and elsewhere on
 " Lake Superior in fact there appears to be
 " no security any where".