

where he was, and loudly remonstrating against the Impiety and Profanation of depositing the sacred Corps of a Christian in heathenish and unhallowed Ground; set forth the great Scandal such a Proceeding would bring upon Religion in general, and particularly declared, that they were forbidden, by the Rules of their holy Mother the Church, to perform the Obsequies in such a Place. The Governor observed to them that this Objection might be presently removed, and the Matter made easy, since all they had to do, was to prepare the Place beforehand, by a due Consecration; a Power with which he knew they were invested. To this they instantly replied, that the Thing was not so easy as he imagined; since the Land could not be consecrated, till it was fitted to receive *that* Benediction, by first having all the Bodies of the Heathens that lay there dug up, and carried off the Spot; a Proceeding, to which it was certain, they said, *Mambertou* himself would never consent.

Having thus silenced the *Commandant*, they went to visit the dying Person, the unfortunate Author of all this Mischief and Disturbance. Him they found upon his Death-Bed in a very weak and languishing Condition, a proper State this they well knew for receiving all suitable Impressions.