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bring the chiefs of the Outagamis to Montreal, together with all the rangers in those parts, to whom his most christian majesty had granted a free pardon for what had paffed. Louvigny fet out at the end of May, 1717, and carried along with him one of the furviving hoftages, who had loft an eye by the fmall-pox, that he might bear testimony to his nation, with what tenderness he and his companions had been treated. As foon as he arrived at Michillimakinac, he dispatched the hostage, attended by two French interpreters, with prefents for covering the dead hoftages, to the Outagamis. This was fo agreeable to those favages, that they talked of nothing but a lafting peace with the French. They then declared to the interpreters their gratitude to Ononthio, though they faid, for fome particular reafons, they could not wait upon him till next year: but never would forget that they owed their lives entirely to his clemency. The hoftage and the interpreters then fet out to rejoin Louvigny at Michillimakinac; bat, after travelling about twenty leagues, he left them, it being proper, as he faid, to return home, that he might keep his countrymen to their promife.

The hoftage however was never heard of after, neither did they fend any deputies to the governorgeneral; fo that all the fruit, which Louvigny and Vaudreuil reaped from this laborious journey, was the bringing back the French rangers, and engaging fome of the favages to bring their furs in gteater

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