

rons bon être, la condamnation: prononcée contre le
dit Cadet en restitution de la somme de six millions
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We see by a document that Cadet actually paid these six millions into the Treasury, but notwithstanding this an order in Council was passed on the 25th. of December, 1764, declaring his debt to the State to be 11 millions.

Now it was not until the 20th. of January, 1767, that Cadet purchased the baronie de la Touche d'Avrigny.

On the 20th. of January, 1770, he obtained "lettres de terrier," which, according to usage, were read "à hante et intelligible voix à la grande porte de chacune des églises des paroisses de la Baronnie : Nancré, Saint-Martin, de Quinlleu, Avrigny et Saint-Gervais."

The property was extensive as we find by this document :

" Notre bien-aimé, Joseph Cadet, seigneur de la baronnie de la Touche d'Avrigny au Poitou, des fief et seigneurie de Marigny sous Marmande, du château, terres et seigneuries de Mondon, Ponsay, Bouquilli et les Pruneaux, etc."

The title of noblesse was not in this case confirmed until eleven years after. Thus on the 25th. of Feb. 1777, we find this document, the petition of which was granted in 1778 ; and it was at this time that Vaudreuil assisted Cadet to obtain his desire.

" Aveu et dénombrement du fief, terre et seigneurie d'Avrigny la Touche, sous la qualification pure et simple de haute, moyenne et basse justice seulement, et sans que le dit Joseph Cadet puisse lui attribuer le titre de baronnie, sauf à lui à se pouvoir par devers