ADDITIONAL REFERENCES ON VILLASUR EXPEDITION


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Some of the above writers, notably the first three, relate the story of the Spanish expedition with a good deal of exaggeration and indicate that the Spanish were overcome by the Osage and Missouri Indians in the region of East Kansas and Western Missouri. These French narratives are made from frontier rumors. They lack the authenticity of the Spanish records made up from those who directed the expedition from Santa Fe.