

try soon disgusted the garrison of the new fort. The Indians, on their side, took umbrage at these strangers and began to trouble them. All this, and probably de Roberval's slight delay in returning, forced Cartier to re-embark with all his party for France. Near Newfoundland they fell in with the viceroy, coming with a large convoy, who, partly by his persuasive manner and partly by threats of the royal indignation, induced them to return.

As soon as he had restored all things in his fort, he left Jacques Cartier there again with the mass of his party; then he ascended the St. Lawrence, entered the Saguenay even, and sent one of his pilots, Alphonse, a native of Portugal, according to some, or of Galicia, to others, to seek a route to the East Indies to the north of Newfoundland. Alphonse ascended to the fifty-second degree of latitude, but went no further. We are not told how long his voyage lasted, but there is every appearance that he did not find de Roberval in Canada, inasmuch as he made his report of discovery to Jacques Cartier.¹

Mr. de Roberval apparently made other voyages to Canada, but, according to good authorities, he was detained in France for several years by the war which ensued between Francis I. and the Emperor Charles V., winning distinction in that war, as he had done on several other occasions. All agree that he embarked again in 1549 with his brother, esteemed one of the bravest men in France, and surnamed by Francis I. the *Gendarme d'Annibal*. They perished in this voyage, with all their companions, and it was never really known by what accident it happened.² With them per-

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voyage.

¹ See his Report, in Hakluyt, iii. Jacques Cartier is here dismissed by Charlevoix. We may add that he was born of a good family of St. Malo, in December, 1494, and May

2, 1519, married Marie Katherine des Granches, daughter of a knight. Cartier was then master pilot. After the voyages narrated in the preced-

ing pages, he retired to Limoilou, near St. Malo, where an estate still bears his name. Here, ennobled by the king, he died about 1555, childless.

² Thevet, in his *Cosmographie*, says that Roberval was killed by night, near Saint Innocent, at Paris (Ferland, i. 45).