

BOOK VII.

State of the colony in 1648. Mismanagement of the Hurons. The Huron town of St. Joseph destroyed by the Iroquois. Heroic death of the Jesuit Father Anthony Daniel. Project of an alliance between the English and French colonies in America. Deputation of the Jesuit Father Dreuilletes and the Sieur Godefroy, councillor of the Council of Quebec, to Boston. Apathy of the Hurons. Two Huron towns destroyed by the Iroquois. Fathers de Brebeuf and Lallemant taken. Various engagements between the Hurons and Iroquois. Fathers de Brebeuf and Lallemant burnt. Dispersion of the Hurons. Most retire to St. Joseph's Isle. Their sufferings there. Their fervor. Rashness of the Hurons of the town of St. John. A town destroyed by the Iroquois. Heroic death of Father Garnier, the pastor. Death of Father Chabanel. Hurons conspire against all the missionaries. The firmness of two of these Fathers disconcerts their plans. Singular interpositions of Providence in favor of the Christians. New misfortunes befall the Hurons. Several descend to Quebec. Their reception. What became of the rest. Destitution of the former. Their rashness. Untoward expedition, in which many Christians perish. Account of an Algonquin burnt by the Iroquois. Fervor of the Christians. The use of liquors begins to produce great disorders in some missions. Mr. de Lauson appointed governor-general of New France. The governor of Three Rivers killed by the Iroquois. Ravages of these savages in the North. Progress of the faith among the Abénaquis nations. Father Buteux starts northward with a presentiment that he will not return. He is killed by the Iroquois. Several missionaries return to Europe. Progress of the colony of Montreal. New negotiations for peace. Capture of Father Poncet by the Mohawks. His sufferings and deliverance. His perils in returning to Quebec. Peace concluded. Father le Moyne goes to Onondaga to ratify the treaty. Fervor of the Huron captives among the Iroquois. Danger of Father le Moyne from the perfidy of the Mohawks. Piety of the Hurons on Isle Orleans. The Mohawks endeavor to break off the peace. They renew hostilities and assassinate a Jesuit lay-brother. Exploit of an Algonquin squaw. The Mohawks make peace again, and a missionary is given to them. Two other missionaries go to Onondaga. They settle there. Fruit of their first labors. Destruction of the Eriez nation by the Iroquois. Project of a French colony at Onondaga. Hostility of the Mohawks. They carry off part of the Hurons from Isle Orleans. Adventures of the Ottawas after the destruction of the Hurons. Missionaries are given to some of them. They are attacked by the Mohawks. Father Garreau mortally wounded. The French reach Onondaga. Their reception. A part of the Hurons on Isle Orleans offer to give themselves to the Mohawks, and repent. Pride of the Mohawks. Dilemma of the Hurons. A whole tribe surrenders to the Mohawks. The Onondagas come to Quebec for the same purpose. Reply made to them.