

His servant remained but a very short time with the Hurons, and then returned to the French, whom he had left at St. Teresa Bay. There he spent the winter, baptizing over two hundred dying children, the most of them Ottawas (Outououais). 1662.

} Death of
his servant.

The next summer he made several excursions; and one day, when the rain compelled him to take shelter under his canoe, the gun of one of his comrades going off accidentally, killed him while he was at prayer. He merely had time to pronounce the holy name of Jesus.¹ Such was the result of the second voyage which the Ottawas made with missionaries. After this they had none, till they settled with other Indians better disposed than they to receive the gospel; nor did they derive greater profit from the advantages which Heaven afforded them. So that, down to this time, they have had no part scarcely in the kingdom of God, except by the children whom it was possible to baptize at the point of death.²

Meanwhile, notwithstanding the last hostilities of the Onondagas, Father le Moyne quite freely discharged in that canton all the functions of his ministry. It did not indeed escape him from the first, that all minds were not equally disposed to peace; but he thought it best to dissemble, and this course proved successful. Garakonthié returned loaded with presents, and charmed with the cordial manners of the French. He was greatly surprised to find a part of his nation in sentiments so different from those in which he had left them; and what he heard of the defeat of the major of Montreal, touched him greatly. He soon became aware that they distrusted him; and had not his firmness been proof to any test, there would have

¹ Relation de la N. F., 1663, p. 23. John Guerin died in Sept., 1662 (Lalemant, Journal, Aug. 5, 1663), when the news of the death of Ménard and Guerin arrived, a flotilla of 35 canoes and 150 Indians,

with seven Frenchmen, having come down.

² The missions were continued by Father Allouez (Rel., 1665, p. 9), by Marquette, who took them to Mackinaw, and by others.