

lieved, and *Andahiach* begged me not to share this remedy with the others, and to reserve it for their cabin alone. I replied to him that he should not trouble himself, and that as long as we had any they should not want for it. If I had consented to follow her advice, I would also have made her a plaster to cover her stomach, where all her pain was. She died, however, two or three days afterwards.

On the same 5th day of February, the council assembled at the house of the Captain *Andahiach*, where the sorcerer *Tsendacouane*, of the village of *Onnentisati*, presided, for *sieur Tehorenhachnen* and his substitutes were no longer in good standing. This latter one spoke with authority and as a Prophet,—saying that, if they did not do what he should order, the sickness would last until the month of July; if, on the contrary, they obeyed him, and if they granted what he should ask, he gave his word that in ten days the town should be entirely secured against it. Accordingly, he ordered, first, that they should henceforth put the dead in the ground, and that in the spring they should take them out [178] to place them in bark tombs raised upon four posts, as usual. Secondly, that they should give them no more mats, at least no new ones. Thirdly, that they should give him a present of 5 cakes of tobacco. His request was immediately granted, one of the sons-in-law of our host furnishing this contribution. They reassembled towards evening outside the village. I was twice invited to this council. One of the Captains warned the children in a loud voice not to make any noise; a great fire was lighted, and the sorcerer—after having represented to those present the importance of the affair—threw therein the 5 cakes of tobacco that