

although he did not ask it for himself. "Do not fear, my daughter," he said to her; "it is not [110] the water that they will pour over thy head that will make thee die,—see how many there are who have recovered after Baptism; it is for the good of thy soul that they wish to baptize thee, and not to shorten thy days;" and, as she seemed to yield a little to these words, he urged us to baptize her as soon as possible. In fine, we told her that if she were baptized a hundred times a day, these holy waters would be of no avail, if she did not believe in her heart, and if she did not regret having offended God, of which, moreover, she gave no evidence. The poor man, upon hearing this, urged her so strongly and catechized her so well that, at the very end, she gave us sufficient indications of her willingness; she was made a Christian; and, a little while afterward, she died. Now, as the sickness continued its ravages, we saw the whole cabin of this poor Captain plunged in affliction. We baptized in one day thirteen of his relatives and allies; and, when he became ill, as well as the others, he finally resolved to take for himself what he had procured for so many others. He was called Etinechkawat in his own Language, and the name Jean Baptiste was given to him in Baptism. Having been prostrated for a very long time [111] in his sickness, Our Lord restored him to health; he came to thank him for it in the Chapel of Kebec, as soon as he could walk. But it was not long before he was tried. *Fili accedens ad servitutem Dei sta in justitia et timore, et præpara animam tuam ad tentationem.* These words of the Sage are verified every day before our eyes. This Neophyte had only three children left, three daughters,—one married; one,