

ceed further toward the conversion of these peoples,— either by the plan of residences, or by that of Missions,— that of the residences having appeared to us full of inconveniences, and much less efficacious, we have decided upon that of the missions, although much more vexatious and more laborious, especially in these regions.

In consequence of this design, after having measured our strength in the language, the distribution of our workmen was made, in all the country where we could go, into five missions,— to wit, from sainte Marie, to the Ataronchronons; from saint Joseph, to the Attinguenongnahac; from la Conception, to the Attignaouentan; from St. Jean Baptiste, to the Ahrendaronons; and, from the one to which we have given the name of “ the Apostles,” [37] to the Khionontateronons.<sup>6</sup>

It was at All Saints that we dispersed, which is the time of the return from trading expeditions, and the season, until Spring, for finding the men, women, and children in their cabins; though the most inconvenient time for travel.

We had made, during the Summer, a round nearly everywhere, to provide for what was most urgent, and to gain some knowledge of the disposition of minds. In this expedition, we gave the name of some Saint to all the hamlets and villages that we encountered, which was later completed in the winter missions,— with the thought that, if ever God gave his blessing to our slight labors, and any should come to erect a Church or Chapel in these places, such would be erected in honor of the Saint whose name we bestowed.

Next, we have had means to take the census not