

much," said she; "they are truly our mothers, we lack for nothing with [16] them." This wise and serious man was so extremely pleased with the discourse and the conversation of this young girl, about twelve or thirteen years old, that he spent more than two hours and a half with her.

If any one from her own country comes to see her, she does not inquire for her parents, nor about what happens among her relatives; but she asks if the Hurons have no desire to believe in God, if they do not give up their dances and their superstitious chants, and if they still consult the Devils.

When one of her relatives asked her if she did not wish to return to her own country, "No," said she, "I no longer think of it, I am very well satisfied where I am." "My daughter, you are not doing right," said he to her; "you must not think only of yourself; when you are well instructed you must come and teach your countrywomen." Behold how the most Savage children become the children of God; may he be blessed forevermore among all the nations of the earth!

Good Madame de la Pelterie, who laid the foundation of this little Seminary, has cause to bless God that he has [17] chosen her for a work which is so acceptable to him. But her heart is large; the wish that she has to gather together the still wandering fathers and mothers, in order to aid in saving the children, makes her long for a treasure beyond her own means. She does not cease to visit these poor people; she speaks to them with her eyes not being able to speak to them in their language. She would speak to them much more willingly with her hands: and if she were able to practice the trades of a mason