

to the war.' If you speak thus, your speech will be straightforward; you will not put yourselves in danger of being lost, and God our father, seeing his children together, will have favorable opinions of us." This speech, in his own language, was not at all barbarous; and these sentiments are found only in a truly Christian heart.

Some of our Neophytes, however, accompanied them,—although with sorrow, on account of their superstitions. This is what one of them related to us [38] on his return: "Setting out from Saint Joseph, we went to the Chapel to pray to God; passing through the three Rivers, we who were baptized confessed; and a little further on the unbelievers made a feast of two dogs; they chanted and howled according to our old customs, and all that for the sake of killing the enemy. I said plainly to them that that would avail nothing, but they mocked at it; five times they consulted the Devils in their tabernacles. During all that time we withdrew apart, kneeling in prayer; a Savage not yet baptized sided with us, renouncing the Sabbath of the infidels. At the last consultation, the enemies surrounded us; as soon as we had wind of it, my Jugglers quitted their tents, and took to their heels. I cried aloud to them and asked them of what use their demons had been to them; my speech was not long, for I had to escape, as well as the others. Some made for the woods, others for the water; we embarked upon the great lake, on which the Enemy was paddling; we passed and repassed each other [39] in these dangers, without being discovered. I prayed to God in silence with all my heart; it seemed to me that I felt within me an unknown power which sustained me, and