

which gave me hope for my safety. So this is the way our war ended," said this good Neophyte. But let us touch upon some special actions of the most steadfast Christians.

A young man spoke to us of marrying a Christian girl and we counseled him to take advice of his elder brother, a man of consideration among the Algonquins: "He is not a Christian," he responded, "he is an enemy of prayer; I do not acknowledge him for my brother. If he believed in God, I would obey him with all my heart: what good advice could a man give me who does not accept for himself the good counsels that are given him for his salvation? It belongs to you to counsel me; you have given me the life of my soul,—I will also follow your direction for the good of my body." His mother, losing her temper one day, said to him that she wished to leave Saint Joseph, and dwell in some other place where she hoped for more assistance. Her son [40] replied to her: "My mother, we have not received the faith for the sake of earthly riches; though every one should go away, I shall always remain with those who have taught us the way to heaven; I believe earnestly in God,—I shall hold fast even to death." One of his relatives, wishing to take him away after his marriage, told him that he should set out as soon as possible in order to prevent the ill conduct of his wife,—who, having gone to visit her parents at the three Rivers, was behaving badly, according to the report of this impostor. Thereupon this good young man came to us, and said: "I have just heard news that afflicts my heart,—I have been told that my wife has disobeyed God. But no matter,—let her forsake God if she will, let all my relatives leave and abandon