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(Figures in parentheses, following number of note, refer to pages of English text.)

I (p. 21).—St. Jean Baptiste was almost, if not quite, identical with the Cahiagué described by Champlain. Du Creux places it near a small lake, - evidently that now called Bass Lake, in the N. E. part of Oro township, the outlet of which is North River; in the vicinity of this lake are many remains of Huron villages. Martin and Taché identify St. Jean Baptiste with Cahiagué, but mistake Bass Lake and North River (as indicated on Du Creux's map) for Lake Couchiching and the Severn. But the latter are several miles farther east; the vicinity of those waters was less habitable, from a Huron point of view; and they do not correspond so well with the references in the text. Ragueneau (Huron Relation of 1648, chap. iv.) says that the Arendaenronnons, among whom this mission was located, were so harassed by the Iroquois (to whose attacks they were more exposed than the other Huron clans) that in 1647 they abandoned their territory, and withdrew to other Huron villages that were more populous and better able to resist the enemy. One of their villages in the vicinity of Bass Lake even shows indications, in its remains, of having been attacked. - A. F. Hunter.

Martin says of this site (in Géographie du Pays des Hurons, 1855—a MS. in the archives of St. Mary's College, Montreal): "I am inclined to place it to the south of the present village of Orillia, but nearer to the head of Lake Simcoe than is the latter." Father Jones, of St. Mary's College, (vol. xix., note 9) places St. Jean Baptiste in Oro township, on Mill Creek, about a mile above Hawkstone.

Champlain says of Cahiagué (Voyages, Laverdière's ed., p. 518) that in it were 200 large cabins, and that it was the principal village of the country.

2 (p. 21).—St. Joachim is located by Du Creux on the east side of Sturgeon River, next to St. Jean. This is in a locality still wooded to a considerable extent, and where the sites have not yet been revealed by plowing.

Although Ste. Elizabeth is included among the missions to the Arendaronons, other references to it in the *Relations* show that it was a mission to Indians who spoke the Algonkin tongue. Du Creux