

Church, I cannot omit what happened to this good Savage, which was perhaps enough to shake his faith, if God had not very specially helped him.

[28] He is about sixty years old. At the beginning, when he was at an age to make feasts and to be present at them, he had a dream, in which he was forbidden ever to make a dog feast, or to permit that any one should make one for him, or else misfortune would happen to him. He had always taken great care to obey this dream, until last year, at the beginning of winter, having gone on a visit to some village, one of his friends desired to make a dog feast for him. He immediately remembered his dream; nevertheless, thinking at the same time that he was a Christian and that his dreams ought no longer to be important to him, he accepted the feast. He had no sooner returned to his house than he found one of his daughters and one of his sons sick, who afterward died. This stroke unsettled him, and caused him to make a false step, which we noticed in the preceding Relation. But having recovered from his fall at the end of a few days, by the assistance and the good words of our late Christian,— who, having first won him to God, won him anew this second [29] time,— he has since given us great satisfaction; but here is an occasion upon which he wholly repaired the error of his fall by the firmness of his faith and by the constancy which he displayed.

René, a short time after his baptism, was fishing with our late Christian Joseph Chihwatenhwa, and the latter happened to dream all that really befell him about fourteen months afterward,— namely, that three or four Iroquois attacked him; that, having defended himself, he was thrown to the ground; that