

in JESUS CHRIST, and that he loved prayer. Such a sermon, preached in a Fort armed with cannon, had its effect. To conclude, Faith triumphed over ungodliness, and Dagon was cast down before [71] the Ark, and Belial was vanquished by JESUS CHRIST.

I have stated above that the Hiroquois had caused the Savages to remove from the three Rivers, with the exception of a small number, of whom Father Buteux, who has usually dwelt at that residence, writes as follows: "We have had but few families this winter. These few have, however, given us satisfaction for they have listened with profit to the word of God. All, both great and small, have been baptized, and, after Baptism, have received the Sacraments frequently, with all desirable satisfaction.

"The first of this little band, who is a man of consideration among his people, had for a long time requested me to baptize him. I seemed never to have ears for him; the more he pressed me, the more roughly I repelled him, to test his constancy. Tired of this rejection, he said to me one day: 'I will not lose courage because of your refusal. You are not the only one to whom God has given the power of baptizing. I will go down below, and I shall find other Fathers who will be more favorable to me and who will be better [72] disposed toward me than you are. I fear, however, that during this delay, I may fall into some sin which will make me unworthy of Baptism. If I were a child of God, he would give me strength to walk straight. I still fear that the evil Spirit will make use of my Countrymen, who are foes to prayer, to tempt me back to my old habits. If I were a Christian, my resolution would be taken; they would lose their strength, and my